

JONATHAN LINNELL

LEAD ENGINEER & MANAGER

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EDUCATION

Loughborough University

2011 — 2015

BSc Communications & Media

Diploma in International Studies

SKILLS

Cloud-native Software Design,
AWS, Node.js, TypeScript, Go,
JavaScript, Lambda, ECS, RDS,
DynamoDB, API Gateway, React,
Redux, PostgreSQL, DevOps,
Linux, NextJS, NoSQL, Mentoring,
People Management, Terraform,
Docker, scripting, SQL, Python

HOBBIES & INTERESTS

Hiking, reading, writing, human languages (French and Mandarin), DIY, cryptic crosswords, choir singing

DOG

Working cocker spaniel. Friendly, affectionate, available for office visits. Instant morale booster. 🐶

PROFILE

I'm Jon, a lead engineer and people manager with a documented history of building and nurturing productive engineering teams with a high degree of psychological safety and growth.

I am a qualified AWS solutions architect with over a decade of experience working with Node.js, React, and the JavaScript ecosystem. I've designed and built many high-performance cloud-native services, using industry-standard technologies.

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

TECHNICAL LEAD (*contract*)

Hootenanny

January 2026 - present

- Provided technical leadership from day-one after the sudden departure of the previous tech lead
- Supervised off-shore development team
- Worked directly with the CEO and head of product, advising on all aspects of technical strategy
- Built and deployed production infrastructure for key new feature
- Researched and documented the existing undocumented tech estate

LEAD ENGINEER & MANAGER

By Miles

January 2024 - December 2025

- Lead engineer for a cross-functional team responsible for critical business flows and core systems
- Managed seven software engineers with a broad range of skills, experiences, and personalities
- Nurtured a team culture based on mutual trust, respect, openness, and autonomy
- Mentored my team in good software design principles, and supported them in making their own decisions
- Managed distribution of work and provided protection from distractions and unplanned work

SENIOR ENGINEER

By Miles

September 2021 - December 2023

- Developed a number of new features, communicating with business stakeholders and Product Managers
- Played a key role in (successfully) strangling telematics functionality into a microservice architecture
- Built a distributed telematics intake system to receive + decode binary telemetry data from vehicles on the road
- Rebuilt and optimised several legacy implementations leading to significant performance improvements (the metrics are something to behold!)

SENIOR ENGINEER

Third Bridge

Feb 2021 - August 2021

- Built and supported a number of web applications at all stages (from infrastructure to backend, to UI) reaching audiences of tens of thousands
- Developed cloud-native services using AWS Lambda, AWS API Gateway, AWS S3, Serverless and other services and frameworks.
- Led a successful programme of work to stabilise and optimise a prominent customer-facing product suffering performance-related outages.
- Proactively took ownership of several legacy platforms, working with other engineers to add features, and make incremental improvements and stabilisation fixes.
- Occasionally won ping pong games.

SOFTWARE ENGINEER

Third Bridge

May 2019 - February 2021

SENIOR IT SUPPORT OFFICER

Loughborough University London

July 2015 - May 2019

THANK YOU

... for making it this far ❤