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# What we are going to cover

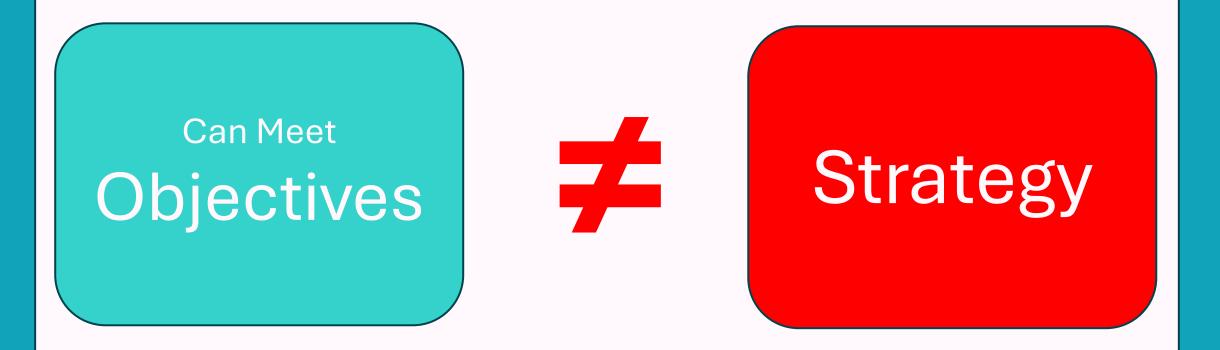
**1.** What is a Strategy? 2. Initial Information Gathering **3.** Strategy Considerations (SWOT) 4. Putting a Definitive Strategy Together 5. Making your Strategy Happen



# What is a Strategy?

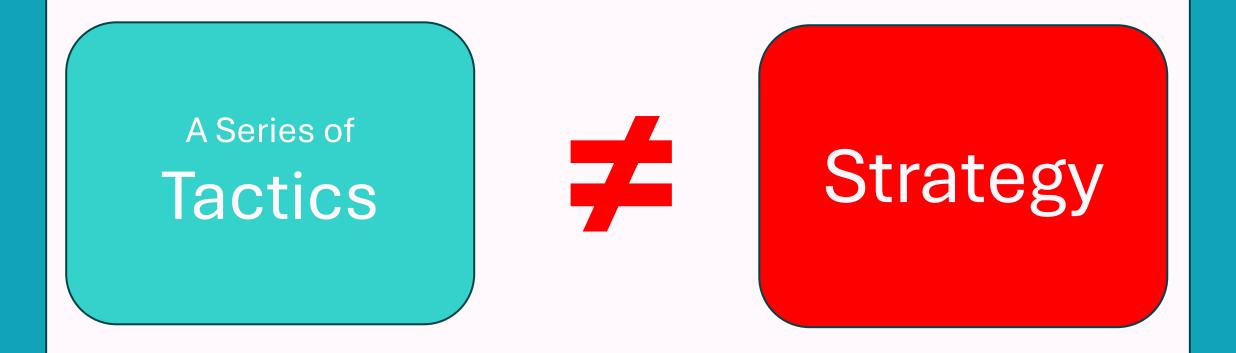


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# Plan shown in a Roadmap



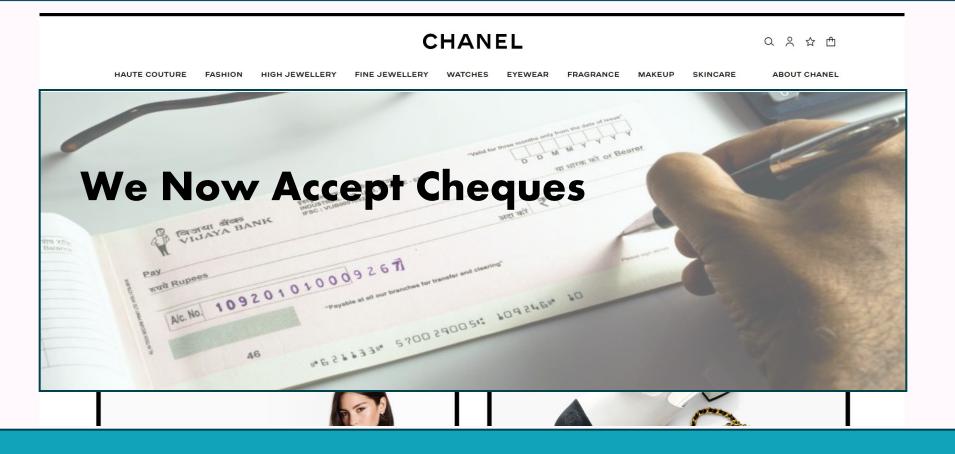
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# What competitive Advantage

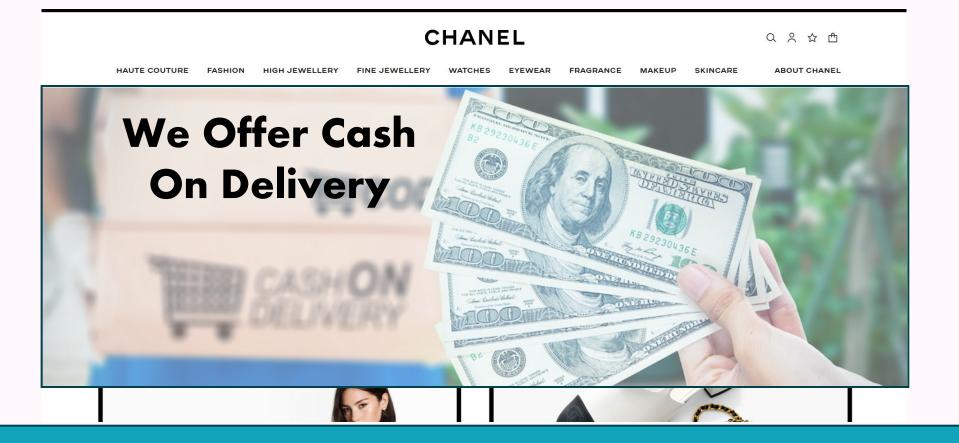


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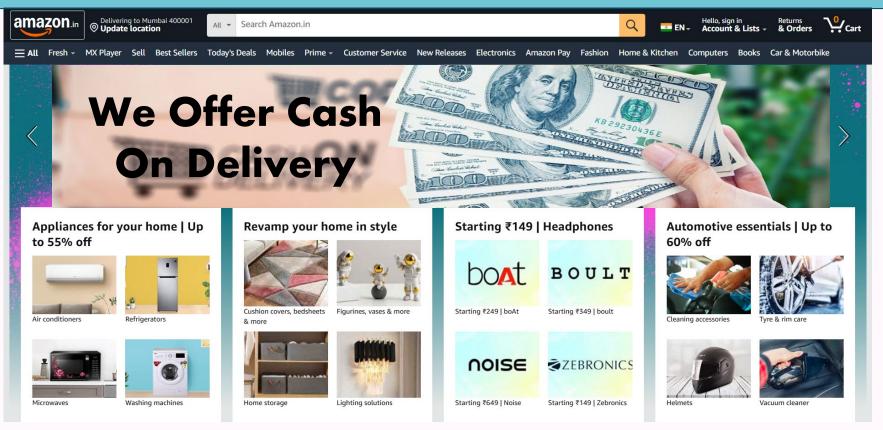














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"The competitive advantage(s) adds value for (end) users who offer value to the business"

It will help you achieve your basic business objectives such as:





"The competitive advantage(s) adds value for (end) users who offer value to the business"

#### Is achievable:

Within a short enough time For min. /available) budget

With available resource / effort

Within other constraints, e.g. legal, political, ethical, Long Term sustainable

# The Difference between Business and Marketing Strategy



**Business Strategy** 

Focus on the Value **Proposition**  **Marketing Strategy** 

Focus on Value Communication

# The Difference between Business and Marketing Strategy



**Business Strategy** 

**Creating** a better offer

**Marketing Strategy** 

Making the offer seem better

# The Difference between Business and Marketing Strategy



**Business Strategy** 

A Great Business Strategy needs an Ok Marketing Strategy **Marketing Strategy** 

A Great Marketing strategy can make a success of an OK Business Strategy



# Who are SEO (End) Users?

















# •Search engines want to show the best content

- For each search,
- Either blue links or in AIOs etc.





•We need to give them a better value proposition for showing us in results over competitors





# • If you sell something your end users are your **buyers**





 Initial Value Proposition is how we will match their search intent (e.g. content, entertainment, selling)

- In SERPs (boost CTR)
- On Page (Boost Engagement)





# •We can then **Communicate Value** of what we want to sell





# If you 'sell' your visitors your end users are advertisers or data collection





# •Value proposition is the website users & who they are





# Engage the site users with a value proposition



 Find competitive advantages to:
 1. Make the value proposition of your pages better for Search Engines than your Competitors'



 Find competitive advantages to:
 2. Make the value proposition of clicking a link and engaging with your content better than your Competitors'



 Find competitive advantages to:
 3. Do a better job of communicating, to site visitors, your business' value proposition to end users (buyers) than your competitors do



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b) Make your Value Proposition to Advertisers and others having the right type/quantity of visitors

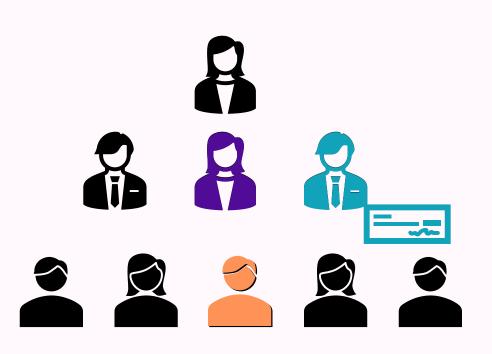


### **Initial Information Gathering**



# Who are your Key Stakeholders?

- Primary
  - CEO, MD
  - C Suite, Directors, Dept Head(s)
  - CMO, Head of Marketing, Head of Digital etc.
  - People doing the work SEOs, Copywriters, Content, Website Managers, (maybe Devs)
  - Who signs the cheques?
  - Gatekeepers (Client Contact?)





## Who are your key stakeholders?

Secondary;

- r Devs
- Legal/Compliance
- r Digital Marketers, inc. Paid, Social

### **Building the Right Relationships?**



#### You will need:

- To know what you want
- An (as) Real life (as possible) relationship
- Ask (intelligent) questions
- Discuss different answers
- To know their drivers

#### **Possible Drivers:**

- Recognition
- Pay Rise
- Promotion
- Efficiency
- Knowledge
- Experience
- A Change
- Changing Job
- Less Work
- An Easy Life

#### Can you:

- Make them look good?
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- Minimise risk & uncertainty?

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### How is SEO seen in your company?

- •Is SEO siloed? Seen as stand alone?
- •Quick results expected?
- •Seen as too Long Term?



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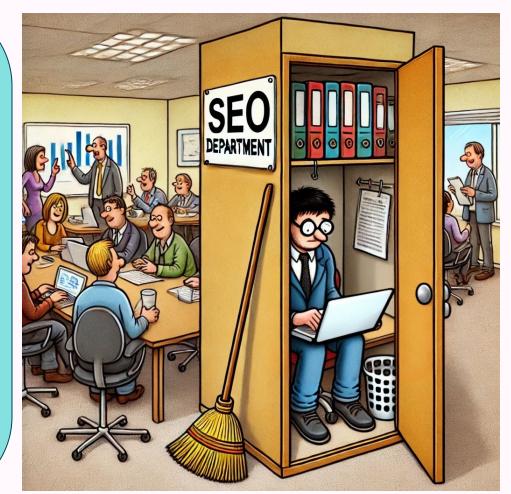
- •Where does Content sit?
- •How about UX?
- •Seen as an alternative to Paid?





## How is SEO seen in your company?

- Is it being measured on the right KPIs?
- •Which Attribution Model?
- Is Brand Awareness
   & Engagement
   valued?



Strategy(ies) and Objectives Is there one definitive strategy? Is it written down somewhere? • Do different stakeholders have different interpretation?

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### Understanding your Business' Strategy(ies) and Objectives

¿Growth vs profit? ¿Timelines? ¿Clear Marketing Strategy? ¿What is the Value Communication focused on? ¿Different Value Proposition for different users?

## Use Cohorts or

## Personas?





## •What do they

have?





## Current Buyers

& Users?





## •What Gaps?





## Different for

## **Competitors?**





## Identify by

Search

## **Behaviour?**







# Understanding your Brand & how it can help SEO

- How's your brand
  - seen?
- Associated value
  - proposition?



# Understanding your Brand & how it can help SEO

Why do customers

buy and keep buying?

# Understanding your Brand & how it can help SEO

- Is the brand itself a
  - sustainable
  - competitive
  - advantage?



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## **The Marketing & Digital Marketing** Strategy

• One or multiple value communications?



## **The Marketing & Digital Marketing** Strategy

 What works for different end users?



• What ATL activity is planned?

**Strategy** 

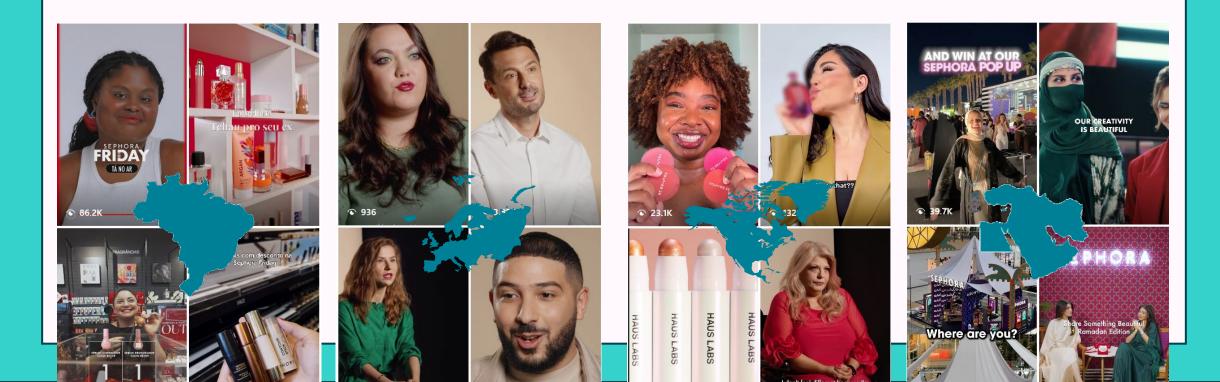
# The Marketing & Digital Marketing Strategy



• Is **pricing** or **'value for money'** the main competitive advantage?

# The Marketing & Digital Marketing Strategy

 Does it vary by market?



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# The Marketing & Digital Marketing Strategy

Is there an SEO shaped Hole? • Where can SEO help other activity?



## **Integrating Paid & Organic Search**



 Break down Silos Shared KPIs

Total Search Convs. Total Search Assists Total Search First

Click Convs./Assists **Total Search Any** Click Convs./Assists

Spend Conversions Avg. CPA Seasonality impact (1)											
€68.5K 4.49K €15.25					Normal traffic				Conversions vs. spend 800		
Spend		Spend			Conversions			Aug. CPA	400		
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Example campaign 1		€1.57K	€17.6K	+€16K	166	634	+468	€9.48		Spend	
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C Example campai	gn 7	€1.45K	€4.34K	+€2.89K	131	217	*86	€11.09	Abb new keywords		
Example campai	au 8	€598	€1.82K	+€1.22K	194	563	+369	€3.08	Forecasted conversion rate 0.97 %		

### Information & Data sharing

- Fair att

Search keywords 8 Aug 2022 Keyword status: Enabled

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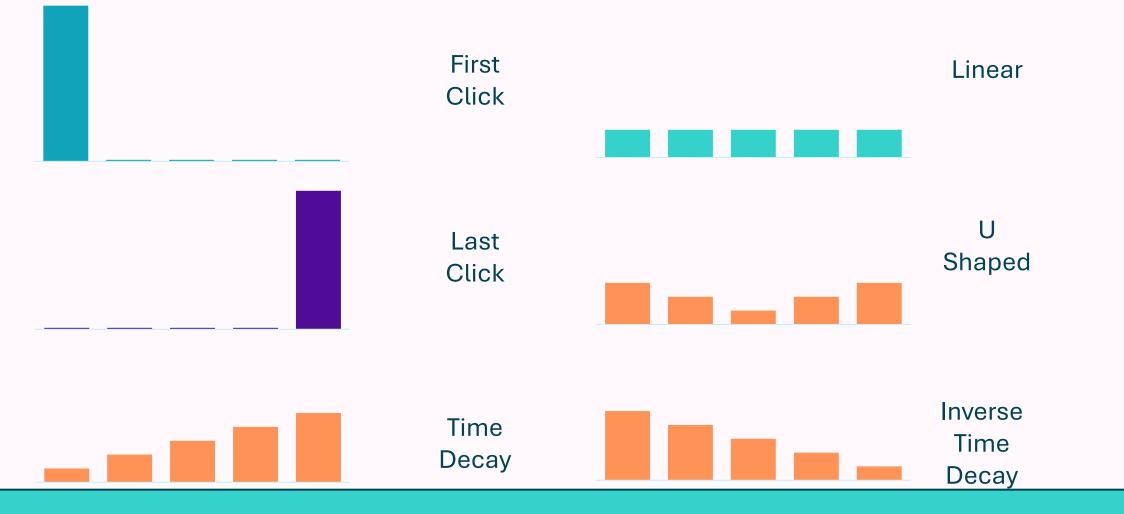
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## **Integrating Paid & Organic SEO**

• Fair attribution model:



### Integrating Paid & Organic SEO

#### • Divide & Conquer



### Integrating Paid & Organic SEO

• Which keywords can SEO actually cover?



### Integrating Paid & Organic SEO

#### • Short Term or Long Term?



## Integrating Paid & Organic SEO

## • Which keywords have low CVR?





## Integrating Paid & Organic SEO

 Which keywords have high CVR but Low Search Volume?



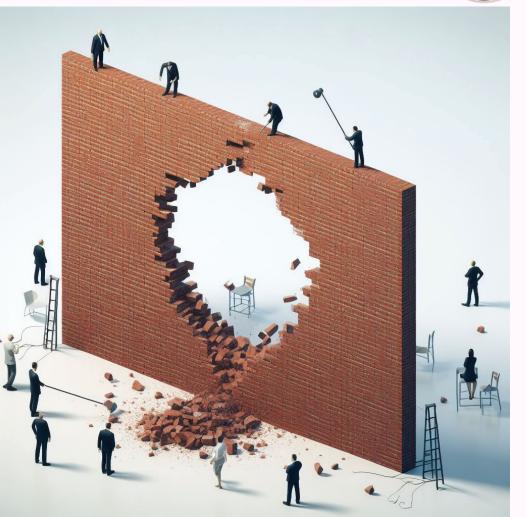
## Integrating Paid & Organic SEO

• Which vital keywords need both?



## Integrating SEO & Content (+UX) as 'Organic'

- Content isn't just for SEO but:
  - SEO can't exist without content
  - 'Non-SEO' Content a 'waste' opportunity



## Integrating SEO & Content (+UX) as 'Organic'

•Value Communication can work for other channels too



### Integrating SEO & Content (+UX) as 'Organic'

Strategies combined

#### • Targets/KPIs shared



#### Working with PR



PR – Train PR teams
Value of Links
Which URLs to Mention
When to speak to SEO
Value of Hero Content

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### Using SEO to boost Brand



#### best holidays for water sports

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#### Some of the best places for water sports holidays include:



Anantara Dhigu is a popular family destination with a PADI dive center, snorkeling, and water sports center 🛷

#### Greece

The Greek islands have many resorts with water sports facilities, including Eagles Resort in Halkidiki 🥜

#### Watersport Holidays Europe | Neilson

Alana in Croatia. Vounaki, Messini, Buca and Levante in Greece. Baia dei Mori in Sardinia. Find out more... Inclusive.

Neilson

Where to go on a water sports activity holiday -Responsible Travel WHERE TO GO ON A WATER SPORTS MULTI ACTIVITY HOLIDAY \* Croatia. \* France. \* Galapagos Islands. \* Greece

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## Where are you? The Importance of TE TE Benchmarking

What competitive advantages have you got?
What competitive advantages have you lost?

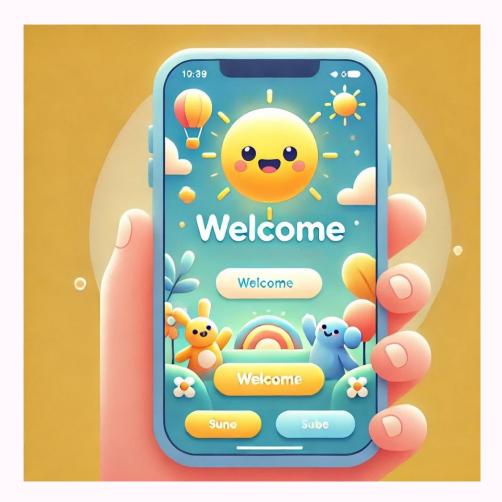
## Where are you? The Importance of Benchmarking

- Is SEO fit for purpose?
  - Is the team fit for purpose?
  - Is the site fit for purpose (technically)? 22
  - Is the site fit for purpose (landing page availability)?
  - Is the site fit for purpose (content quality, topical relevance, E-E-A-T)?
  - Is the site fit for purpose (UX, Landing Page Experience User Journey)?

### **SEO & Content Auditing**

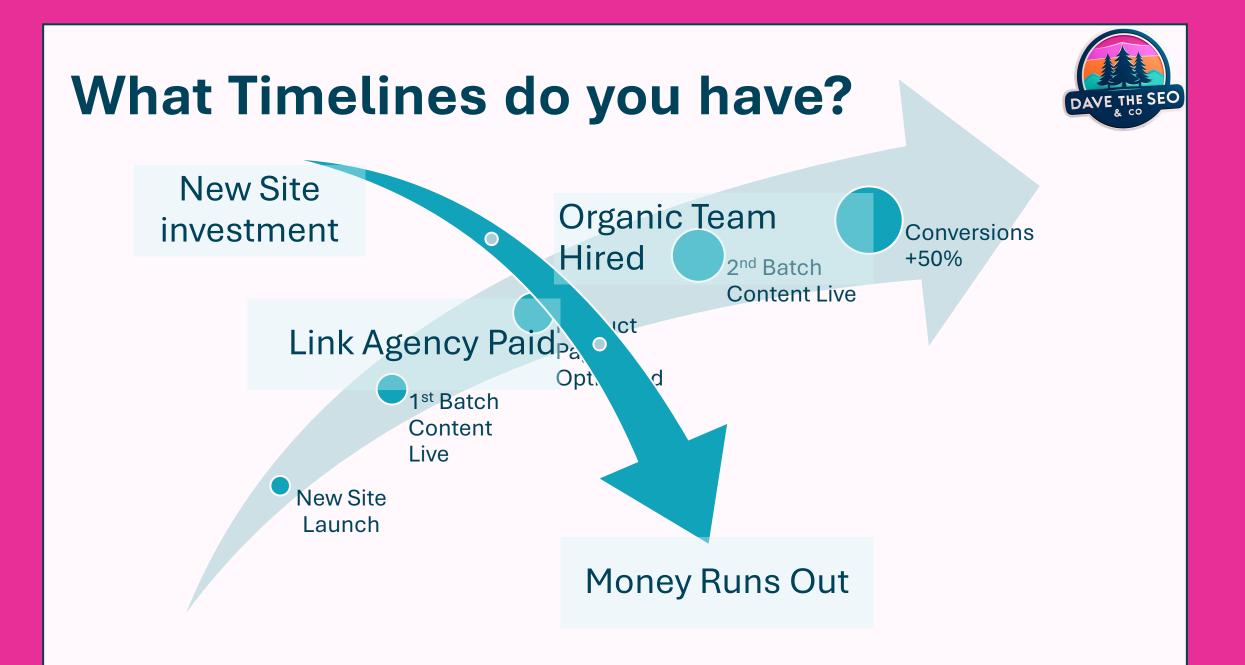


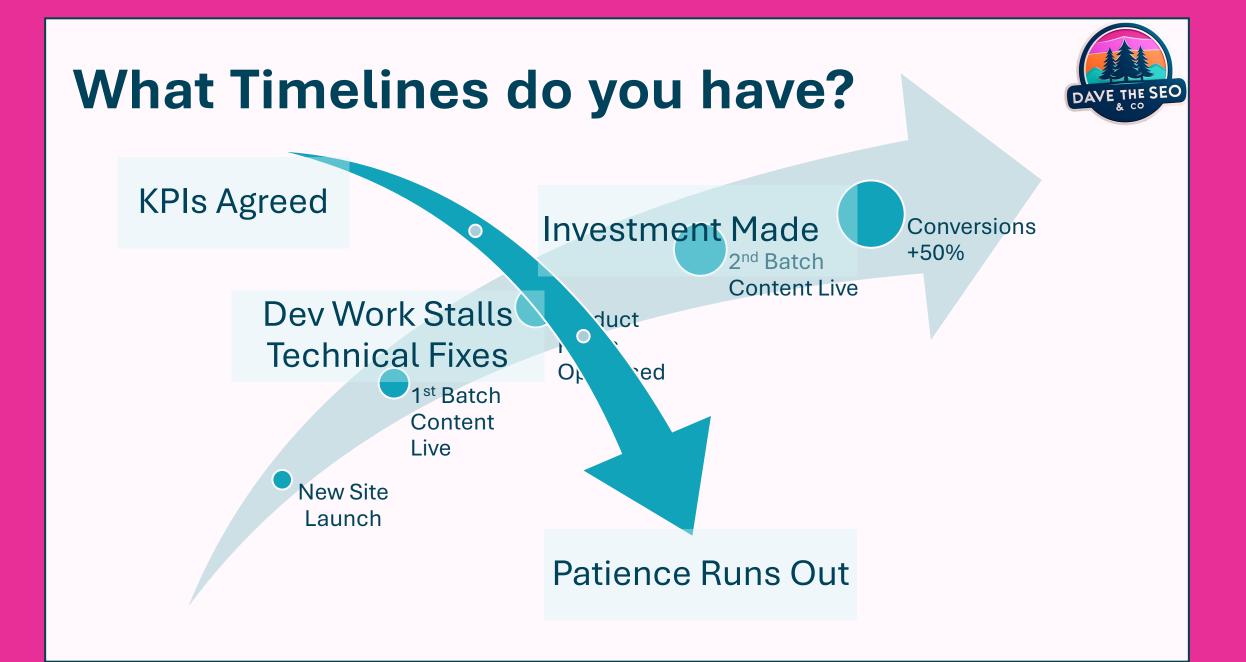
- Technical Audit
- Keyword
   Opportunities
- Content Audit
- Competitor Audit

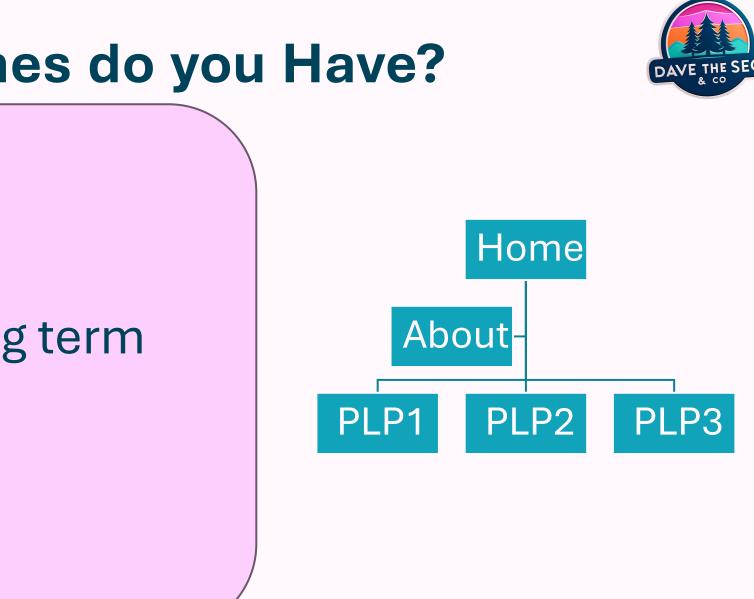




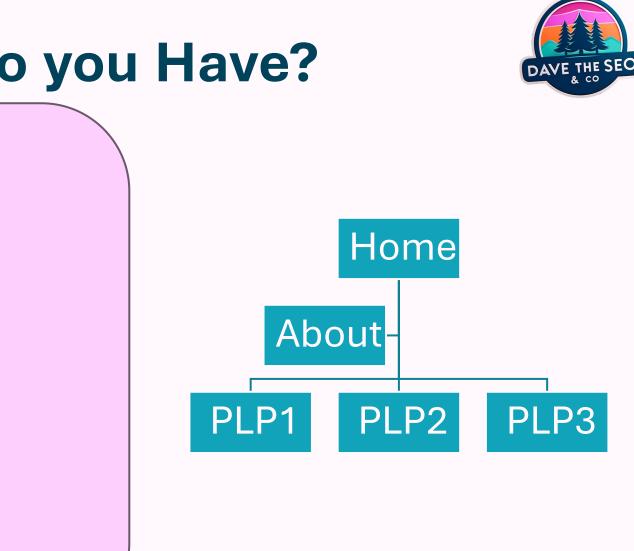
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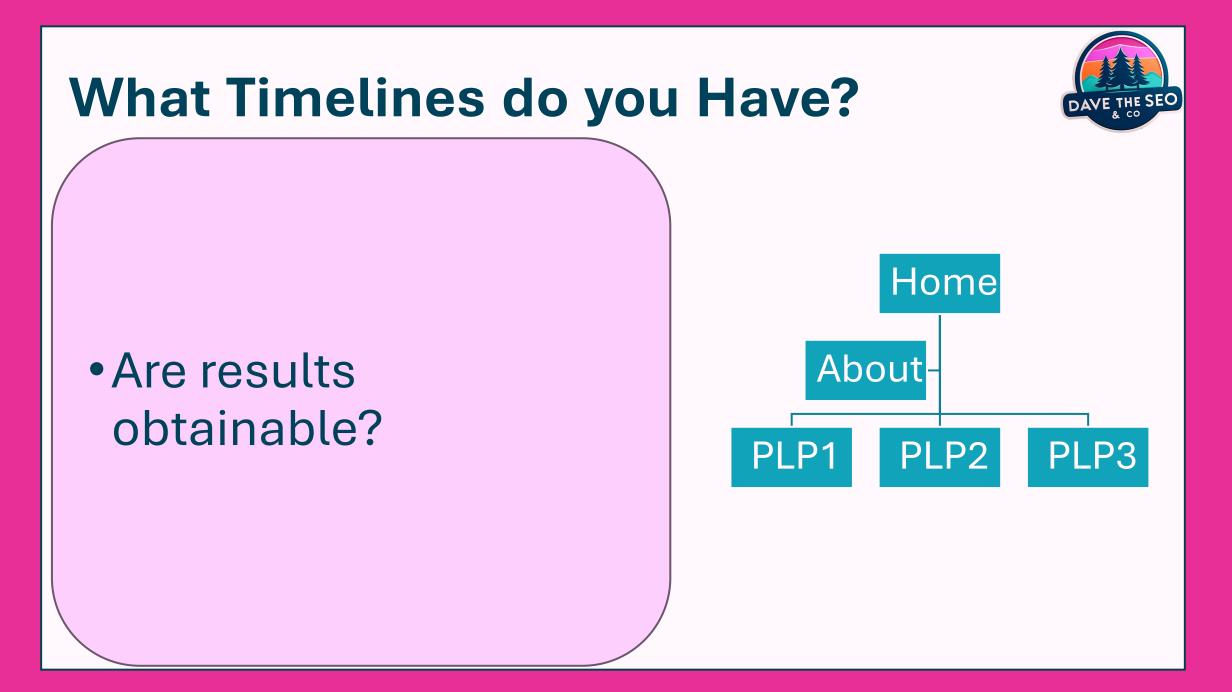


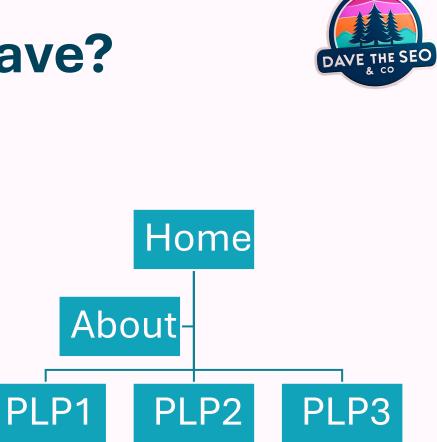


#### Seen as a long term investment?

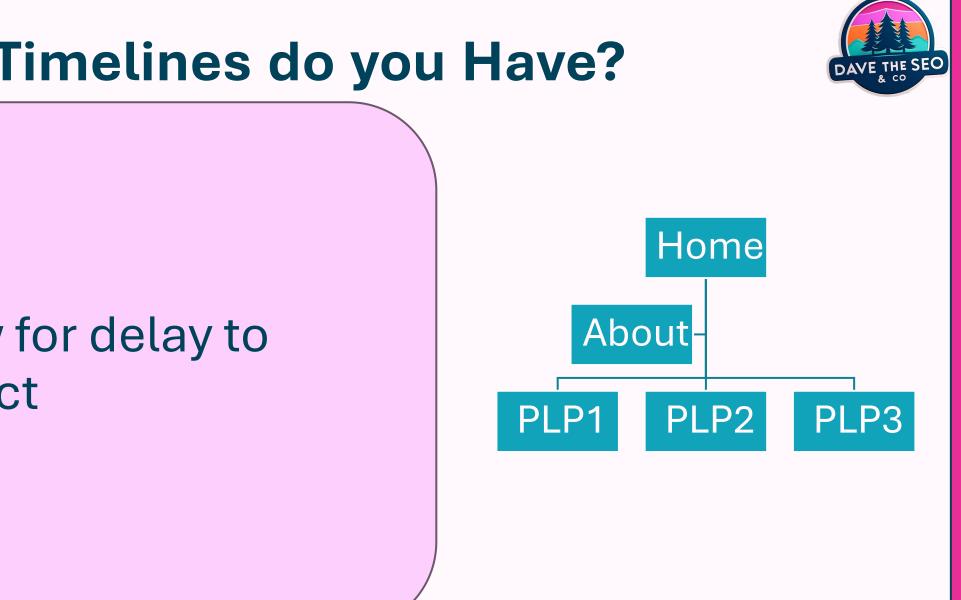


 How quickly are results expected?

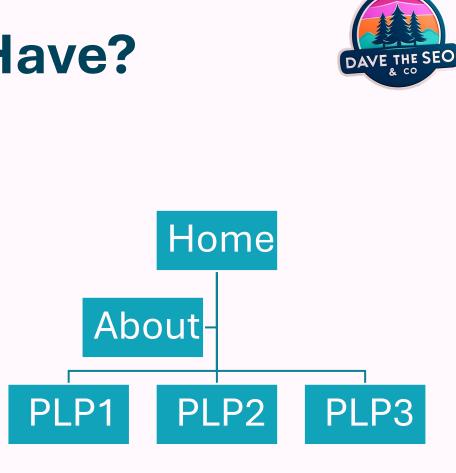




Do you have options?
Short vs long term vs balance?



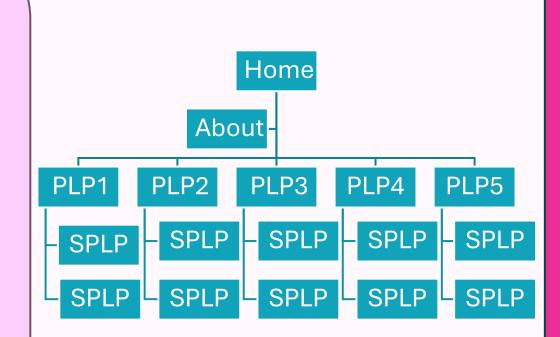
 Allow for delay to impact



• Consider 'visible' impact on site e.g.



- Consider 'visible' impact on site e.g.
  - More categories
  - Improve experience for all channels





### What's planned for Above the Line

• What will the impact be?

• Will brand search increase?

• Is the value



#### Is the value communicated by the ads alone?

- e.g. Creates interest to find out more
- Will some people get it and others not?
- Is the ad just bad? Can SEO rescue things?

#### pove the Line

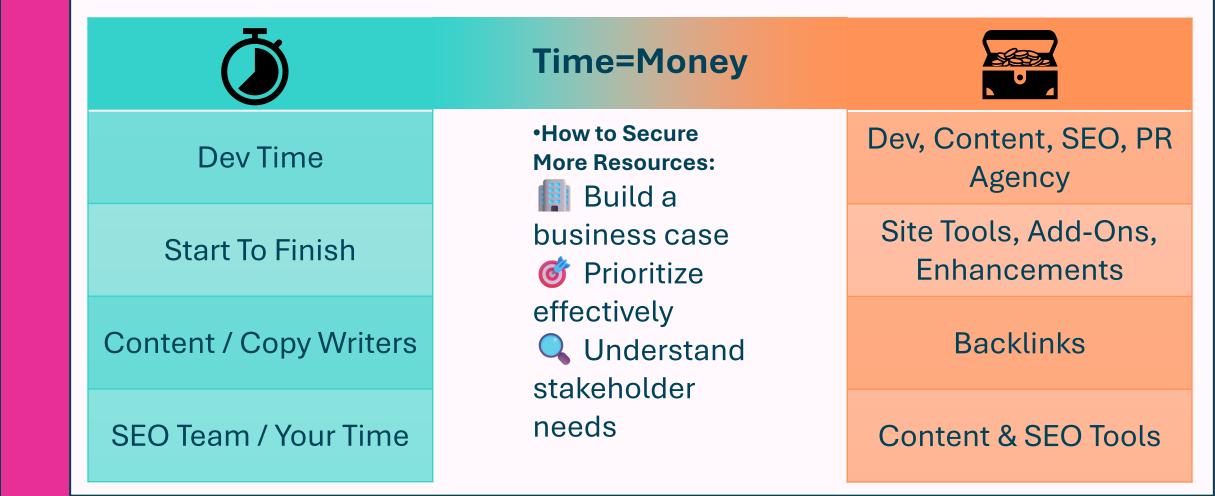


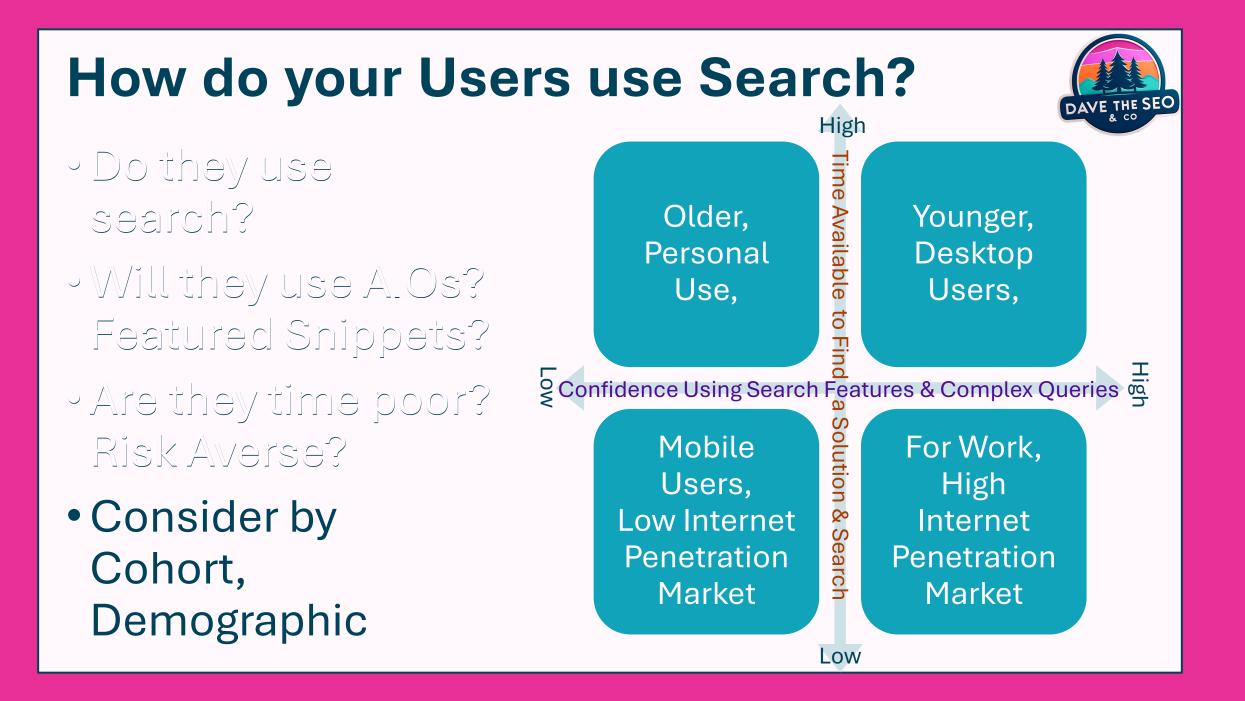


SPEAKING HUMAN

### What resources do you have?







#### How do your Users use Search?



Main Intent Category	Secondary Intent Category	Page Types	Common Actions	Features to boost Engagement	Keyword Examples	
	Range Info / Product Selection	Product Category Page	Browse	•Specific categories for each search term with sufficient volume	Which [product/service type]	
			Compare	•Relevant Imagery	[Products/Services] for	
			Select	•Filters / Facets	Best [product/service] for [customer type]	
		Home Page / Service Page	Find Local Expert	Organisation Schema and Reviews	[Business type] Services	
	Business Type		Read Business Reviews	Clear contact Information	[Product/Service Type] Providers	
			Get in Touch / Sales Call	Chat function or appointment booker	[Business Type] Near Me	
			Compare to requirement	•Benefits bullet point	Can I use [product/service] for [task]	
Transactional	Product Info / Features	Product Detail Page	Read Reviews	•Returns policy	[Product/service] reviews	
			Check Features	•Reviews	Does [product/service] have [feature]	
	Price / Value / Promotions	Product Detail Page	Check Affordability	•Pricing	[Product/service type] offers	
		/ Offers Category	Value for Money	•Special Offers / Codes	[store] voucher codes	
			Price Compaison	<ul> <li>Money Back / Price Match</li> </ul>	Cheapest store for [product/service]	
	Immediate Purchase	Product Detail Page	Add to Cart	<ul> <li>Click to Buy / Call to Action</li> </ul>	Buy [product/service]	
			Buy	<ul> <li>Stock / availability information</li> </ul>	[Product/service] next day delivery	
			Book Sales Call	•Delivery information / time	[Service] sign up	
	Specific Question	Article / Article Section	Improve Knowledge	•Question in heading	How old is [actor]?	
			Definitive Answer	•Concise (Voice friendly) Answer	Is a US or imperial gallon bigger?	
			Choose Action	•Jump to Coding	Which year was the Suez crisis?	
	Topic Research	Article Section / Article / 101 style guide	Improve Knowledge	FAQ sections	Fall 2024 trends	
			Become Expert	Long Form Content	Beginners guide to decolage	
			Follow Trends	Read More /Related Posts	Italian rennaisance	
		Article / How To Post	Find Solution	<ul> <li>Images or Videos per step</li> </ul>	How to get to Statue of Liberty?	
Informational	Problem Solving		Plan Task	•List of steps	How to make a baked alaska?	
			Consider Options	•Time estimate / materials needed	Why is my internet so slow?	
	Navigational	Homepage / About Us etc.	Find Site	•Unique Selling Points	Amazon UK	
			Find Specific Page	•Social responsibility credentials	Bank of America contact details	
			Continue Journey	•Lifestyle / brand imagery	eBay watchlist	
	Entertainment	Content Category /	Watch	•Reflect brand / lifestyle	Where can I watch Dune II	
			Entertain		Internet Marketing podcast	
		Videos / Interactive	Listen	•Shareability	Cute cat photos	

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	Price / Value / Promotions	Product Detail Page / Offers Category	
	Immediate Purchase	Product Detail Page	

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	Topic Research	Article Section / Article / 101 style guide	
Informational	Problem Solving	Article / How To Post	
	Navigational	Homepage / About Us etc.	
	Entertainment	Content Category / Videos / Interactive	



	Direct	Indirect /Search		Other	
	Similar products and services within your category	Other websites competing for the same terms		Brands with similar positioning in other verticals Brands in other countries	
Furniture	<b>Argos *wayfair</b> habitat <sup>®</sup>	HOUSE & GARDEN carpetright.	Ideal Home	BED BATH & Beyond Pottery Barn	Office DEPOT SCREVF/X

Furniture





Similar products and services within your category



**\* wayfair** 









# Other websites competing for the same terms





HOUSE & GARDEN



Ideal Home





#### Clearly What are Competitors doing Badly?



Missed Opportunities

Focused on only High Search Volume

Use of Experts

**Current / Recent Trends** 

Upper Funnel

Mid Funnel

Post Purchase (Loyalty Driving)

Poor Content / Landing Pages

**Topically Unfocused** 

Content doesn't match Intent (partial or fully)

Out of date content

Focus on 1 page type

Poor Onward User Journey / Navigation Poor Backlink Profile

**Thin Link Profile** 

Unnatural

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## What are Competitors (etc.) doing Well?



#### **Site Design**

Accessible Site

**Professional Looking** 

Easy to use navigation (Humans & Bots)

Crawlable, Indexable Pages

Fast, Responsive

Market/Language Specific Sites (inc. HREFLANG)

**Page Optimisation** 

Good length of Content

Match Intent

Mix of Trend & Evergreen

Linkworthy Hero Content & Supporting Content

**Onward User Journey /** Navigation

Multimedia, FAQs, How Tos, Demos,

AlOs, Featured Snippets

#### **Other Channels**

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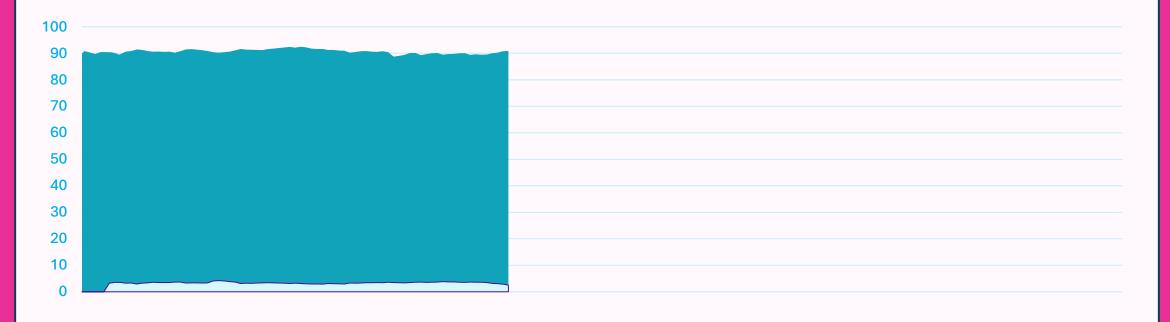
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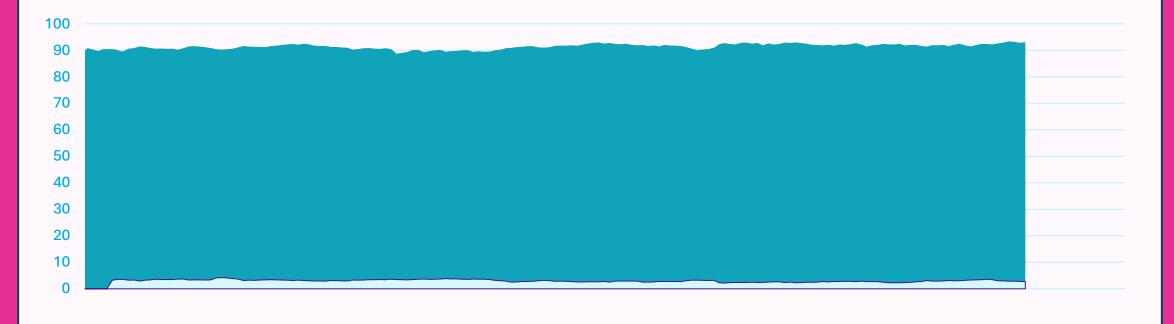
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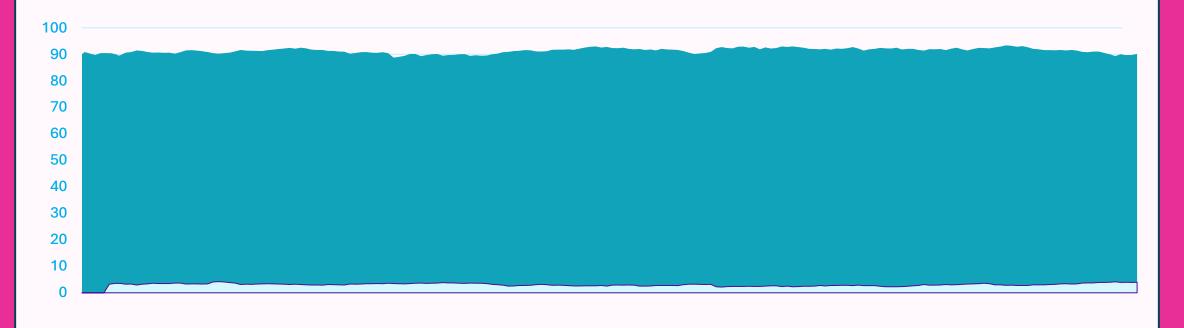
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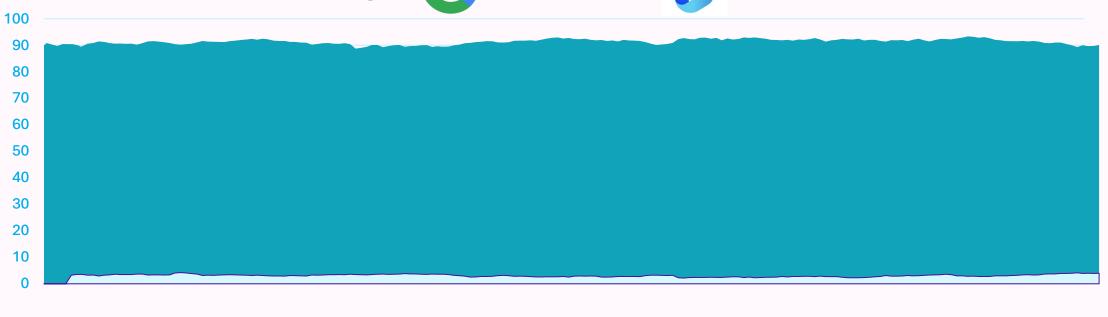
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#### • Do all of them well,

# **When Copying Tactics can work** If different competitors do different things well:SEO

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If different competitors do different things well:5E0

 Compete on topic or keyword level and have a Competitive Advantage for each

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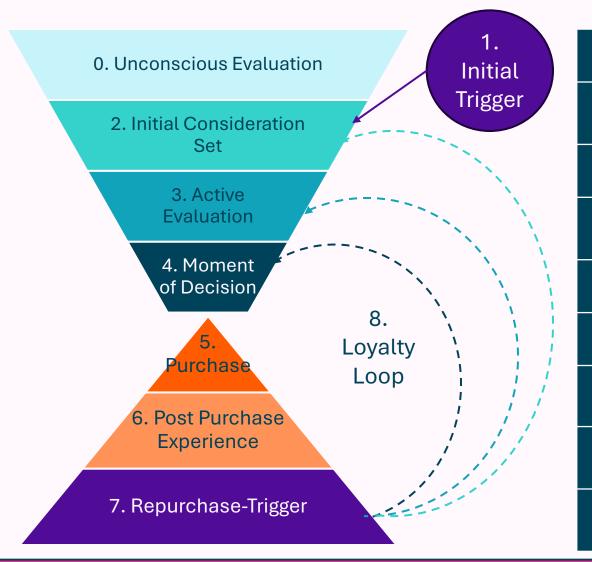
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### If different competitors do different things well:

#### Copy successful tactics from other, comparable, verticals

### **Understanding 'The Funnel'**

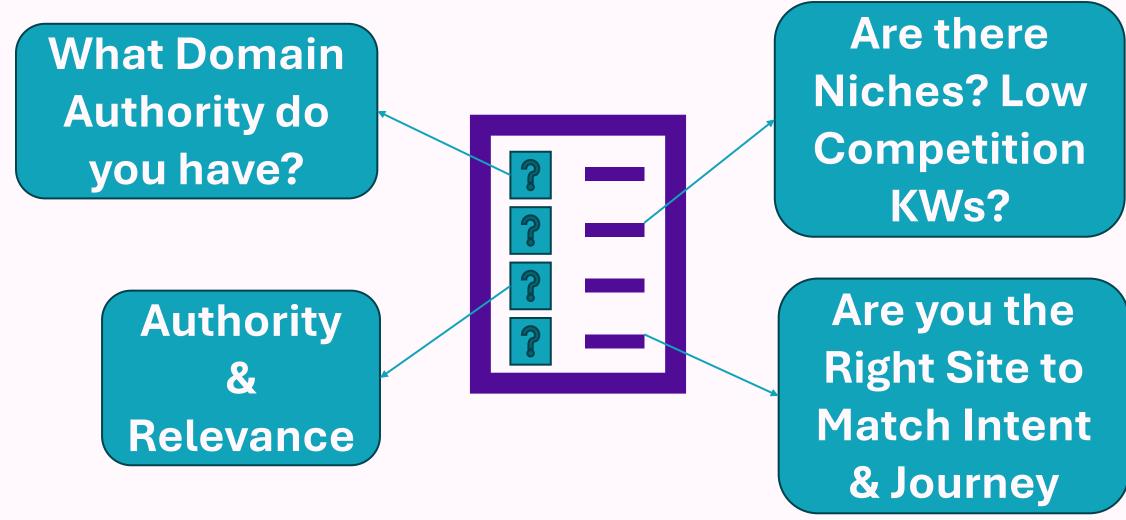




0	Not actively buying but may become aware of brands and products in the market or a need requiring a solution
1	A customer becomes aware of a need (or desire) for a product / service. Triggers can come from TV ad, word of mouth, news article, urgent issues etc.
2	Customers may have an initial set of brands or products/services they are aware of.
3	As they research, consumers may consider brands outside of their initial set. Brands can 'enter' the process and/or put themselves ahead of rivals.
4	Ultimately, the consumer selects a single choice at the moment of decision
5	The purchase is made and the experience impacts the consumer's view of the brand.
6	A consumer's experience is made up of the product or service itself as well as customer service and support.
7	The consumer has a further trigger to buy again, such as a product running out, subscription ending or a product or service being not fit for purpose.
8	The loyalty loop, or disloyalty loop, could see the consumer going straight to repurchase, or to start with a new consideration set and / or active evaluation depending on experience.



### What can you Actually Rank for?



#### Who can you Add Value for? DAVE THE SEO Topic Existing Bu Research Research Customer UK UK UK 6 Unclear No Budget Support Tran ional Research Unclear Buying UK UK UK **Business Owner** Unclear In Market search term

### Who adds value for you?





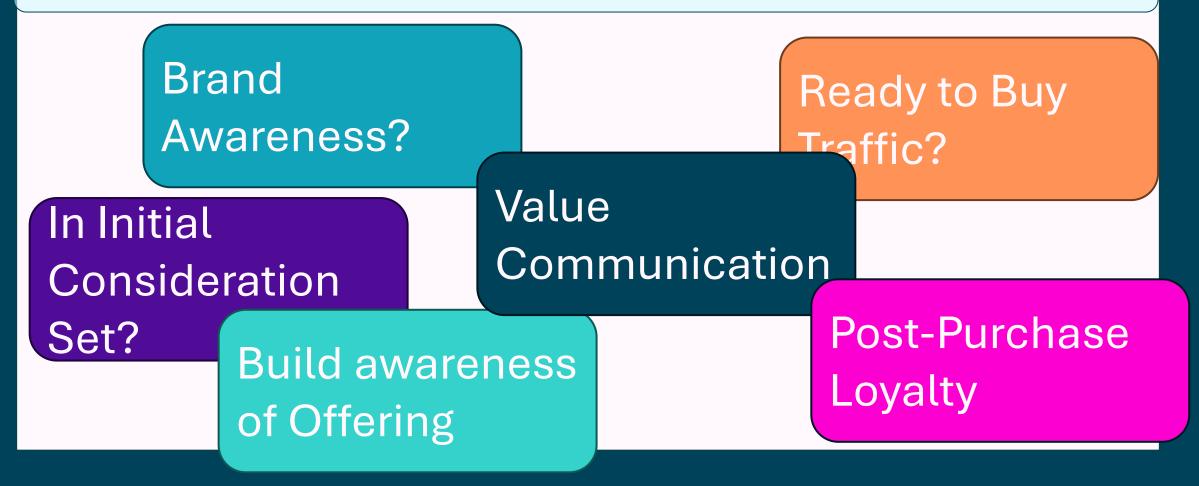


### Putting a definitive strategy together

### **Choosing Objectives & Focus**



#### Based on your Information Gathering:



### **Presenting your Strategy**



• Focus on Outcomes for business

## Include SWOT or similar





### • Give sense of Urgency

### Timelines

### **Presenting your Strategy**



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### **Presenting your Strategy**



### •How you will measure success,

### •When and what will you present back

### **Keeping Flexibility**

"No battle was ever won according to plan, but no battle was ever won without one"

- Dwight D. Eisenhower



### Focus on outcomes more than tactics (with some stakeholders)





### Be able to react to Search engines Plan B if Google Roll Out X





## Be able to react to Competitors Plan C if Competitor launches new site





### • Targets depend on requested Budget & Resources





#### Targets depend on Dev time & Evaluation





#### Progress is Relative to Competitors – who may increase efforts





#### What are likely/possible changes in Search Landscape?





### Making your Strategy Happen



### **Translating Strategy into Tactics**

What does
 What is
 Where are
 your 'Target'
 essential to
 there
 Website/SEO
 achieve this?
 different ways
 to achieve
 this?



### **Translating Strategy into Tactics**

What is the most efficient way to reach your target?

What is the lowest risk way to reach your target?

### **Prioritising Tactics**



- Which
   What is
   What looks
   resources are
   finite,
   Impact vs
   What is
   What looks
   good and is
   visible
   Prerequisites /
- effort vs urgency
- •What can start Dependencies straight away

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3	1.	2 CWV Audit	No	n/a	-	8 hours	SEO Team	Technical Aud	3	5	4	4
4	2.	1 Content Audit	No	n/a	\$119	14 hours	Content Team	-	8	8	3	2
5	2.	2 Keyword Research	No	n/a	-	36 hours	SEO & Content Tear	Content Audit	10	8	2	3

### **Prioritising Tactics**



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- Impact vs effort vs urgency
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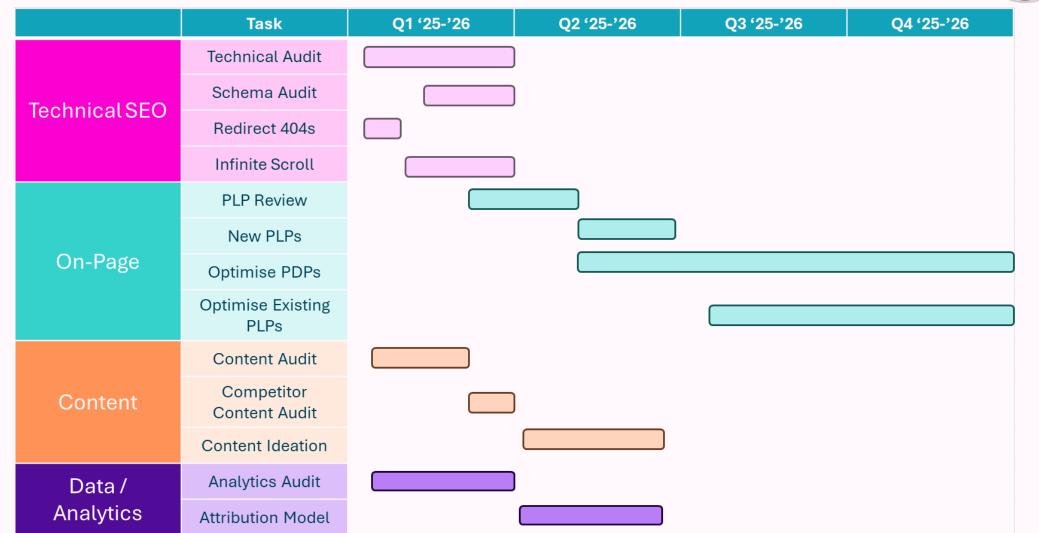
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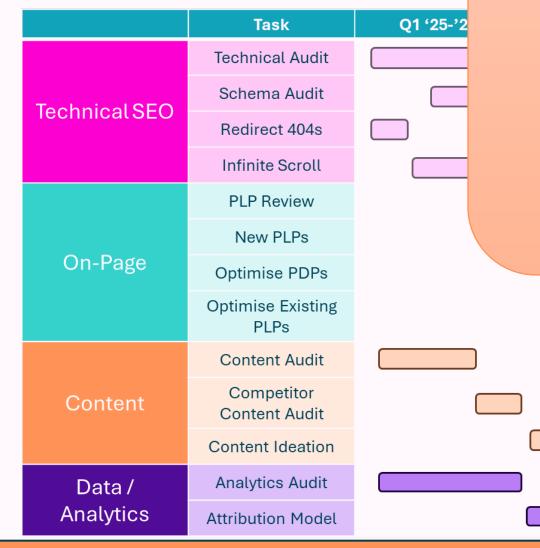
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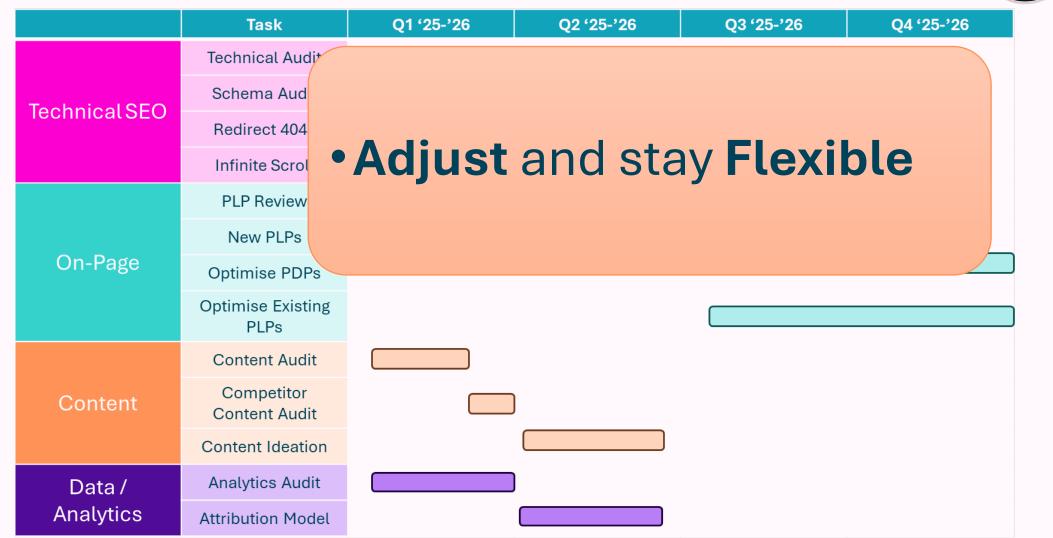


#### • Arrange in an **Efficient** Way

 e.g. have Dev work ongoing while you start planning content

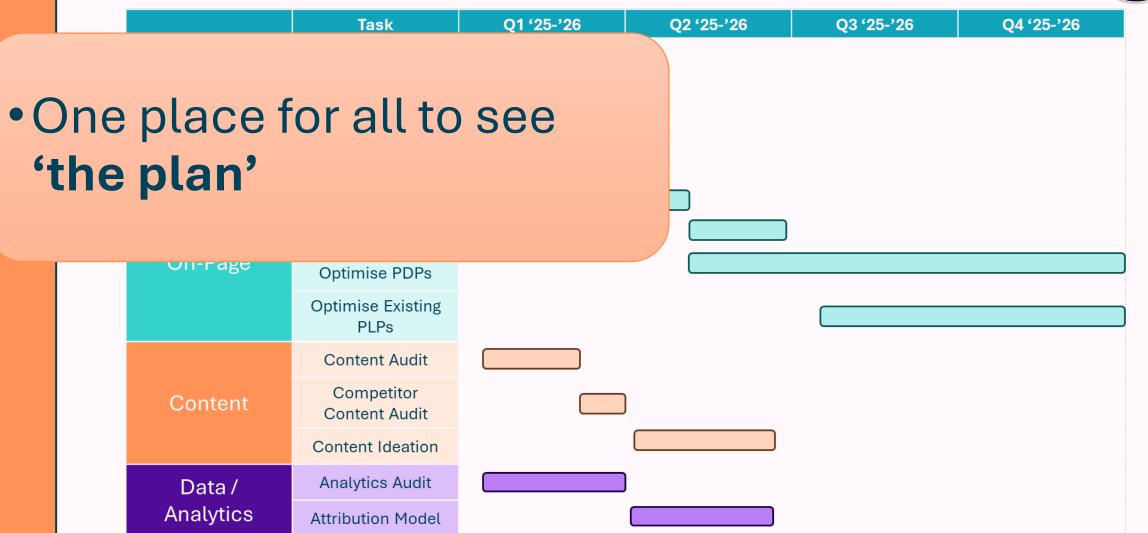
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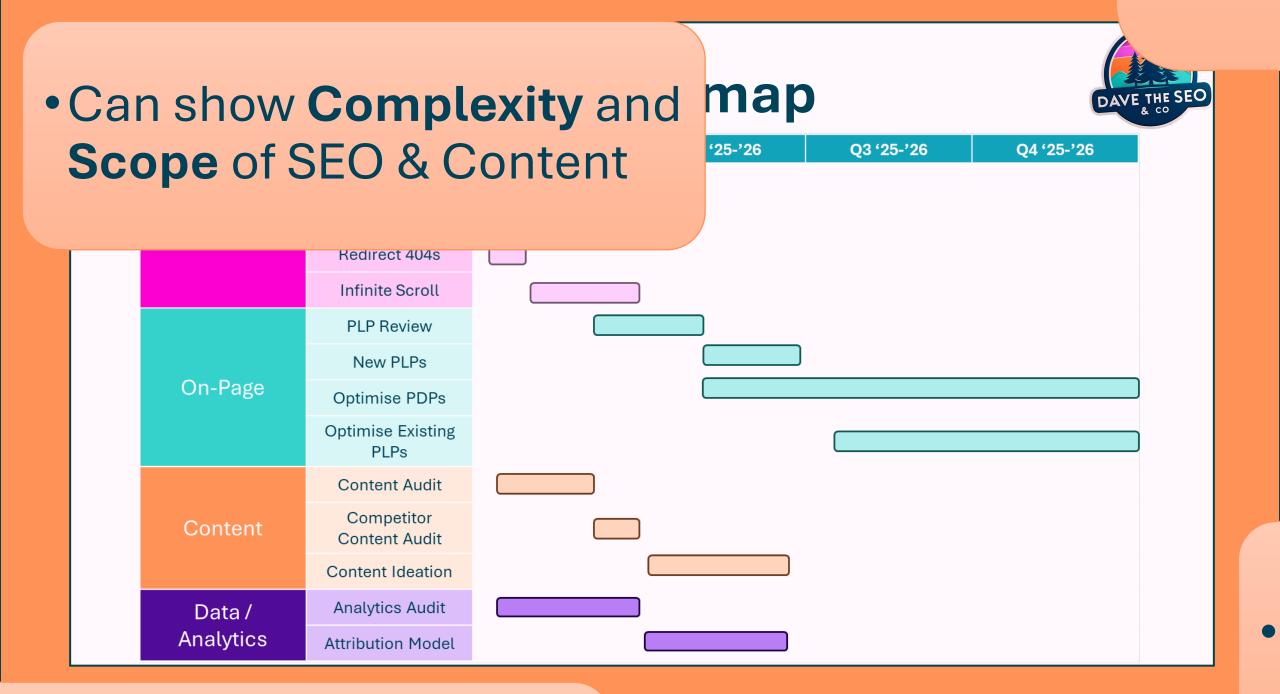




### The Purpose of a Roadmap







## **Keeping your Strategy & Roadmap** on track



• Give Personal

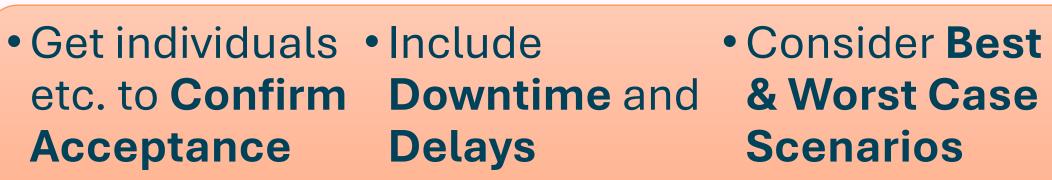
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#### • Move don't Turn into an Interactive **Project Plan**

#### SED [Client] to review and confirm site/CMS will have Technical specification Recommendations and best practice guidelines for new website commended functionality. Tech & business team to ensure a settled IA is represen Recommendations and consultancy regarding Information Architectury on the staging site as soon as possible. Alert SEO if any IA recommendations SEO confirmed by [Client] changes are made to previously seen IA models, including pages being added/removed. Staging site setup & access Available to white-listed IPs Devs Tech team to white-list SEO staff IP addresses Review analytics set up, goal set up, test firing of analytics code and ensure Analytics testing Data Tech team to fix tracking if issues are detected by SEO that code has been applied to all necessary pages on the website. Tech team to implement redirects on launch - SEO will Bedirect recommendations from old site LIRLs to the new site SED Redirect mapping provide the mapping (test redirects on staging if possible Redirect Implementation [Client] to implement the mapping provided by SEO Devs Implement via CMS ready for testing on staging site Tech team to resolve issues with redirects if errors are Redirect testing and resolution Testing all redirects are implemented correctly SED detected in SEO checks Tech & business team to resolve issues with content if Content Review Check for content changes, removals and correct meta data migration. SEO errors are detected by SED Internal linking review Check linking within main nay, secondary nay, header/footer links etc. SEO Tech team to fix links if issues are detected in SEO check Robots txt, Gbot cloaking, JS crawling, mobile setup, structured data, XML SED Tech team to implement recommendations based on SEC Technical SEO review itemaps, HTML sitemap, Site speed, custom 404 page Keyword rank tracking, legacy site crawl data, site performance (lighthouse, page speed insights), search console data Benchmarking SEC N/A e freeze across the dev environment so nothing is overwritten or changed Content / Code Freeze Dous N/A ast minute. Tech team to implement recommendations based on SEO SEO Final checks Final crawl and checks ensure site is readu to go-live. Ad-hoc support for internal teams in solving problems which may impact SEO Tech team to work with SEO to resolve issues with the Devs Issue Resolution / Implementation staging site performance Check robots.txt, redirect spot checks, check top templates for serve response, canonical tags, meta robots, page title, meta description. Review SED Tech team to implement recommendations based on SED with cookies/javascript disabled, review as Gbot smartphone on screen and Launch day suppor with fetch and render. Get GSC set up, upload XML sitemaps fetch & render chacks for submit to index, upload the disavow file if one is available, use the change of address tool

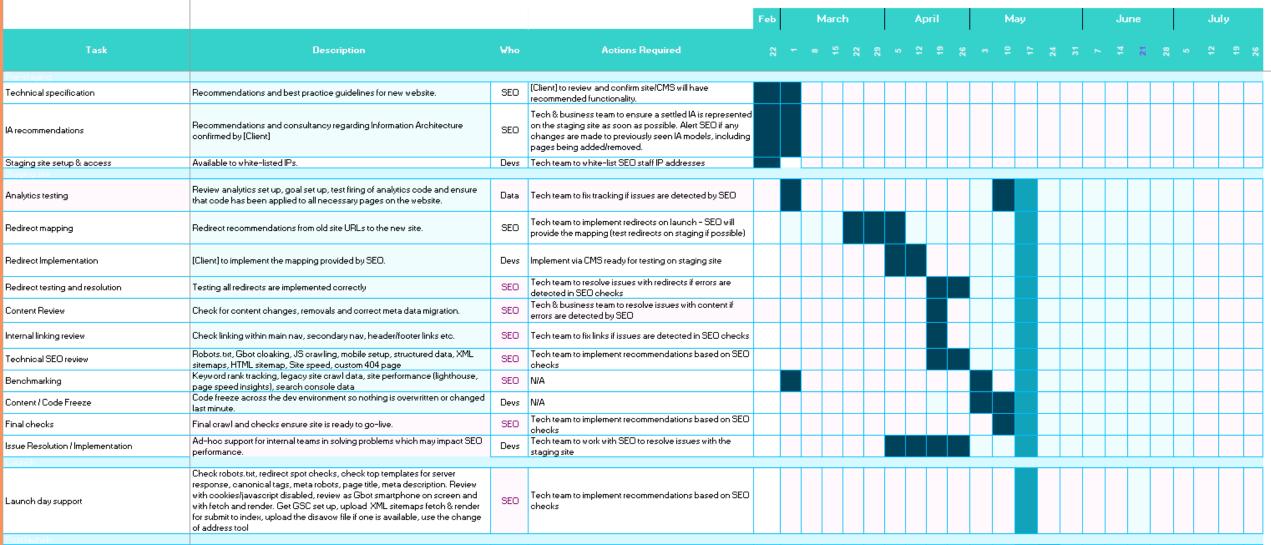
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# Keeping your Strategy & Roadmap on track



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Technical specification	Recommendations and best practice guidelines for new website.	SEO	[Client] to review and confirm site/CMS will have recommended functionality.																						
IA recommendations	Recommendations and consultancy regarding Information Architecture confirmed by [Client]	SEO	Tech & business team to ensure a settled IA is represented on the staging site as soon as possible. Alert SEO if any changes are made to previously seen IA models, including pages being added/removed.																						
Staging site setup & access	Available to white-listed IPs.	Devs	Tech team to white-list SEO staff IP addresses							-		-								-	-		-		_
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Analytics testing	Review analytics set up, goal set up, test firing of analytics code and ensure that code has been applied to all necessary pages on the website.	Data	Tech team to fix tracking if issues are detected by SEO																						
Redirect mapping	Redirect recommendations from old site URLs to the new site.	SEO	Tech team to implement redirects on launch - SEO will provide the mapping (test redirects on staging if possible)																						
Redirect Implementation	[Client] to implement the mapping provided by SEO.	Devs	Implement via CMS ready for testing on staging site																						
Redirect testing and resolution	Testing all redirects are implemented correctly	SEO	Tech team to resolve issues with redirects if errors are detected in SEO checks																						
Content Review	Check for content changes, removals and correct meta data migration.	SEO	Tech & business team to resolve issues with content if errors are detected by SED																						
Internal linking review	Check linking within main nav, secondary nav, header/footer links etc.	SEO	Tech team to fix links if issues are detected in SEO checks																						
Technical SEO review	Robots.txt, Gbot cloaking, JS crawling, mobile setup, structured data, XML sitemaps, HTML sitemap, Site speed, custom 404 page	SEO	Tech team to implement recommendations based on SED ohecks																						
Benchmarking	Keyword rank traoking, legacy site cravl data, site performance (lighthouse, page speed insights), search console data	SEO	N/A																						
Content / Code Freeze	Code freeze across the dev environment so nothing is overwritten or changed last minute.	Devs																							
Final checks	Final crawl and checks ensure site is ready to go-live.	SEO	Tech team to implement recommendations based on SEO checks																						
Issue Resolution / Implementation	Ad-hoc support for internal teams in solving problems which may impact SE0 performance.	Devs	Tech team to work with SEO to resolve issues with the staging site																						
Launch	Check robots.txt, redirect spot checks, check top templates for server	_		_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	-	-	_			_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
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# Keeping your Strategy & Roadmap on track



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# **Building a Feedback Loop** Include Engagement Metrics Rank track groups of keywords – including: • by intent, • by topic, by cohort Eliminate what isn't Working Are Competitors copying you?





# • Right Attribution Model?



# **Measuring Success**

Relative to:
The Industry
Seasonality,
Upward and Downward Trends
Other Channels

# **Measuring Success**

# Talk to Real Clients (especially B2B & Big Contracts)

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# Measuring Success

# Brand/ offering Awareness – brand searches, Footfall, Direct Traffic

# **Thank You**



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