

STUDENT EXERCISE- HANDOUT 1

Developing a Team Philosophy

Aim

To encourage conversation and develop a way of working together.

Introduction

Although you may have heard of a team philosophy in sport, it can be valuable in a design team. Developing a team philosophy at the start when working together provides you with a means to converse and say how the team would like to work together (manage, communicate in the team and to other people, share information and ideas etc). This involves identifying the important attributes of your team, what are your strengths and weaknesses, what are your core values and beliefs? It is about understanding how the individuals, in your team, come together and work as one.

How to develop a Team Philosophy

The following questions will help you to develop your team philosophy. Please consider the questions on this handout as a team. Then brainstorm them on the large piece of paper you have been provided with. Use the 'Cards' to help you discuss the answers to the questions. Later, the team will be asked to share your team philosophy with the rest of the group.

- 1. How do you measure the success of your group?*
- 2. What are your personal and group objectives?*
- 3. Can you develop a name for your team?*
- 4. Can you develop a motto for your team?*
- 5. Can you draw out a logo for your team?*
- 6. Can you select key words to describe the team philosophy?*

STUDENT EXERCISE- HANDOUT 2

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What are these Cards?
