

The Positive Transformation Initiative (PTI) was first announced in January 2019 (see [here](#)) with the official launch ahead of us being held in April 2020, projects undertaken by PTI are to be run in collaboration with organisations such as the Social Mobility Business Partnership (see [here](#)) and others across state, business and third sector committed to Positive Transformation. Some of those collectively engaged to co-author projects in the national interest of making society more inclusive and meritocratic while driving inclusive successful business practices are:

- Sir Kenneth Olisa, Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant (Chair, PTI)
- Barry Matthews (Ex-Head of Legal at ITV, Trustee, PTI and CEO of Social Mobility Business Partnership SMBP)
- Justine Greening MP (Founder, SMP)
- Baroness Prashar CBE (Chair and SMBP Patron)
- Jane Furniss CBE (Judicial Appointments Committee and former Deputy Chair of Crisis)
- Baroness McGregor-Smith CBE (Social Mobility Pledge Advisory Board member and Non-Exec DfE)
- Baroness Pitkeathley OBE
- Charles Anson (Vice Chairman of the international financial communications consultancy, Cubitt Consulting)
- Lynne Berry OBE (Vice Chair and Chair of Breast Cancer Now)
- Paul Hampden-Smith (Chairman of Bellway Plc and Senior Independent Director and Chairman of Grafton Group Plc)
- Salley Vickers (Author and Lecturer)
- Simon Pearce (Company Secretary and Head of Corporate Services at the Financial Conduct Authority); and
- Sir Malcolm Evans (Professor of Public International Law at the University of Bristol and Chair of UN Subcommittee for the Prevention of Torture)
- Sharon Evans (CEO, Dotcom Children's Foundation)

While we are working toward the official launch next year we are already well underway with projects that I have been supporting personally for many years which you can see here <https://www.positivetransformation.org/>, looking ahead we have three brand new key programmes which will be delivered on our stated pledges to ensure we are fulfilling our promise to be Practical, Measurable & Accountable. These projects are as follows;

PTI will deliver on the following pledges by supporting collaborative projects focused on making society more inclusive and meritocratic.

- Jumpstart the creation of new collaborative projects (the **"Create Pledge"**);
 - **Pilot Digital T-Level ILTA Law Firm Context and Placements** - Creating ringfenced T-Level placements in Global Law Firms & In-House legal departments of large enterprise organisations for young people from low income backgrounds, ex-offenders and veterans
- Incubate and accelerate existing collaborative projects by procuring funding and/or pro bono goods & services from its network (the **"Donate Pledge"**)

- **Mental Health and Employment** - Creating ringfenced work experience placements for autistic students from low income backgrounds in the UK's largest businesses
- Strive to ensure that all agents of change (State, Business and Third Sector) work in a smart collaborative manner and will encourage PTI members to actively seek to assist their fellow members in their individual endeavours to create positive transformation (the “**Collaborate Pledge**”).
 - **Social Mobility Framework UK** - Creating a framework for the effective collaboration between State, Business and Third Sector to address the issues (from birth to retirement) which impact an individual's employment prospects (entry and progression) in the UK

In addition, I have now confirmed our ambassadors board who will meet quarterly with the first meeting to take place on the 3rd October in London at the offices of Milbank in Gresham Street. The purpose of quarterly meetings being that they can be aligned to the Positive Transformation update forums which will take place in the same location from 6pm and will host an inclusive group of individuals wanting to understand the P.T.I vision, make new connections and become involved with us as we move forward to the launch in May 2020. You would all be very welcome to join the forum from 5.30pm and please feel free to invite your contacts that you believe to be likeminded and would be interested in P.T.I

Our Ambassadors board member group needs to be wide enough to make certain that we always have a sensible group number attending each meeting, the final confirmed group in no particular order is as follows;

1. **Chairperson** – Caroline Kenny, Associate General Counsel at Facebook
2. Lawrence Jones MBE, CEO at UKFast - TBC
3. Barry Matthews, Ex-Head of Legal at ITV, Ambassador to PTI and CEO of Social Mobility Business Partnership SMBP
4. Michael Tobin OBE, Managing Director at Tobin Ventures
5. Tim Everest, CEO at Cheque and Credit Clearing Company
6. Iqbal Wahhab, Her Majesty's High Sheriff for Greater London
7. Polly Barnfield OBE, Founder & CEO at Maybe
8. Nigel Watson, CIO at Northumbrian Water
9. David Ivell, CEO Energise Resources
10. Michael Grant FBCS, President at The BCS, Past master IT Livery Company & Trustee Chichester Univ. Academy Trust
11. Annette Brown, Information Technology Manager at Milbank
12. Frank Green, Vice Chairman at The Leigh Academies Trust
13. Stuart Whittle, Business services & Innovation Director at Weightmans LLP
14. Abby Ewen, CIO at Browne Jacobson LLP
15. Alan Knight, CSR General manager at ArcelorMittal
16. Tony Healy, Chief Digital Information Officer at Mobica
17. Bruna Pellicci, Global CTO at Linklaters LLP
18. Carol Kavanagh, Group HR Director at Travis Perkins

19. Rob Booth, General Counsel & Company Secretary at The Crown Estate & Co-Founder The Bionic Lawyer Project
20. Michelle Croft FCIPD MBA Head of HR for Corporate Functions at Network Rail
21. Stewart Carmichael, Chief Technology Officer at Schroders
22. Mike Jolley CISA, CRISC, Group Chief Information Security Officer and CDO at Lowell
23. Tiffany Hall, CIO & Director of Technology at Cancer Research
24. Mark Wakefield, Corporate Citizenship & Corporate Affairs Manager at IBM UK
25. Kerensa Jennings, Director at Office of HRH The Duke of York, KG

To be clear, the Positive Transformation Initiative is not about reinventing the wheel or dismissing the huge volume of amazing initiatives that have been launched all over the UK. Positive Transformation is about supporting initiatives that are already positively impacting many people's lives, it is about collaboration, communication and widening impact by raising awareness of existing programmes, connecting those organisations and individuals who combined will become stronger and introducing some new ideas that I believe will have a significant impact on society. Ultimately the goal is to enable a more socially mobile society and develop a positively inclusive environment for everyone wanting to achieve more for the world around them. This applies not just to those of us today but also for future generations of all age groups regardless of ethnicity, gender, culture or background. In doing this we will create a higher level of competitive advantage for UK businesses and UK Plc while accelerating the path to opportunity for everyone willing to work hard for a better future.

If you would like to attend on the 3rd October, please let me know and I will send an invitation shortly. In the meantime you can download a recent podcast here that I hope will be helpful; <https://lnkd.in/dRFp527>