

A collection of campaign ideas using social media marketing.

# inspiring ideas to boost your social marketing

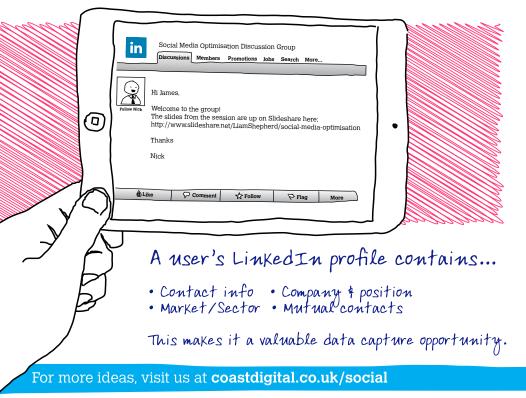
We've tried and tested these ideas with our clients, and now we want to share them with you. The best thing is that they're ideas anyone can use, you don't need to be an expert to put them into practice. Whether you're already using social media, or are looking for a great reason to get started – we hope you'll find it useful.

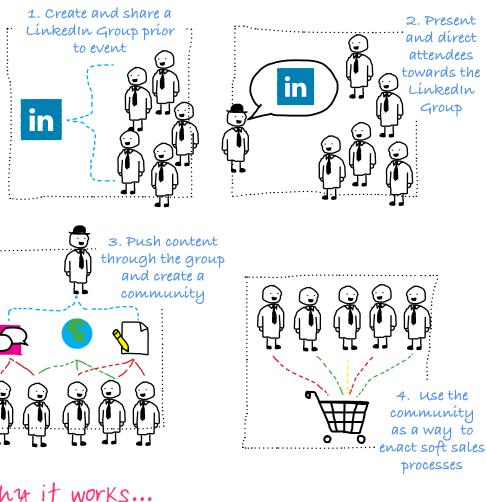


#### Squeeze more value from your events

Private LinkedIn Groups around a conference, speaking event or exhibition are perfect for taking offline events, online.

You can then use this to push slide decks, hold a follow up Q&A session and to encourage conversation and debate. With their data in the pot, you can then subtly market to them.





### Why it works ...

- LinkedIn Groups are an effective and trusted way to gain genuine contact info
- Maximises data capture after an event with minimal effort for the end user
- Makes it easier to move people along the sales pipeline
- Adds value to conference appearances
- Sets you up as an authoritative source of valuable information



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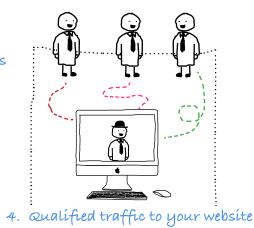
adds this to their feed

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Working with a client that conducts mock driving theory tests for customers, we had the idea of using Facebook frictionless sharing to automatically share a user's score if they passed. This would put the offering right in the eye-line of a well defined peer group (17-19 year old learner drivers) greatly enhancing its reach.

There are other ways to use frictionless sharing though, Spotify already do it with users' music, it could even be used for holiday bookings or product wish lists.

3. The action



## Why you should try it ...

- Exposes your site to a peer group with similar interests and tastes
- Raises your profile within a specific user group and demographic
- Brings qualified traffic to your website
- Encourages a peer community to interact with you socially

gains reach across the user's peer group

- How could you use this?
- \* Online calculators
- \* Health Checks/Weight Loss
- \* Fantasy Football
- \* Revision

1. Your user completes an ... action via a logged in state

- \* Holiday bookings
- \* Product Wish lists



# Ideas that give customer service a personal edge

#### **Use real** people

Instead of answering customer service enquiries on Facebook or Twitter with your brand name, try using the names of operators to bring a human face to all interactions.

**Use Private Messaging (PM)** Remove complaints from the public domain as quickly as possible

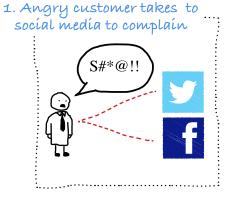
Use a positive message like: "so we can deal with the matter quickly, please PM us your contact 'details and we'll get straight to it'

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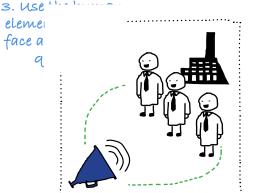
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2. Finds it easier to complain against a faceless corporation





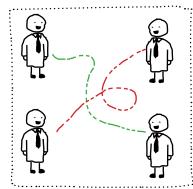
Why it works ...

- You interact with people in their territory
- People find it easier to rant at a faceless entity, humanising the conversation minimises this
- Positive interactions build trust and in the long term, create an upselling opportunity



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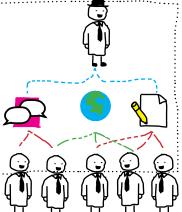
- Appeals to specific user groups
- Builds a community
- Captures data through a valuable exchange
- Makes distributing content easier
- Sets you up as a knowledge leader and trusted source
- Enhances brand reputation in the long term
- Allows you to court your target audience



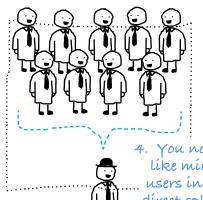
1. Take an existing, disparate community



online environment. using social media to target and include your audience



3. Lead the community and engage like never before through multiple personal connections



If you ask for registration you can lock in your target audience, creating a peer community that shares knowledge

and provide personal connections

the community in

real time.

to experts.

4. You now have like minded users in your dírect sphere of influence

#### Build a socially powered knowledge centre

Social media encourages two-way engagement with audiences, so why not use this to your advantage by creating an online space that hosts this discourse?





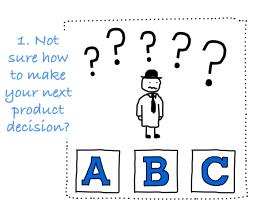
## Ideas that bring new meaning to market testing

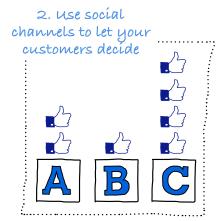
Why not try putting power in the hands of your customers? You could use a poll or contest across social media platforms to make a product or service decision.

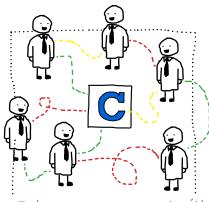


## Why it works...

- Gives your customers a voice
- Bases decisions on genuine customer insight
- A cost effective form of research
- Can grow to enhance your exposure significantly
- Long term, it boosts sales and drives revenue







3. Enhances engagement with customers for brand and products

4. Increases exposure, promotes product and improves product decisions



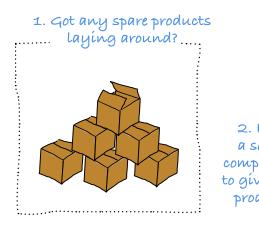


## Ideas for competitions that deliver serious results

For a security client we repurposed surplus branded personal alarms for a twitter competition around personal safety. Users chose and retweeted stats for a chance to win.

By choosing a serious topic, the competition led to positive endorsements from police forces, universities and safety charities, which improved the reach and also created valuable affiliations for the brand. Why competitions work ...

- Helps to build brand awareness and drive traffic
- Opens up new customers and markets
- Positioned correctly, offers the chance to affiliate with major organisations leading to brand endorsement
- Helps to build likes and a social community around your business





3. Affiliate the competitions with organisations and official bodies

Top Tip Be clever with your competition and give customers something to think about. Rather than simply opting for "retweet to win" give them choices, encourage creativity, research or even ask for photos.

# Twitter during competition

113% more visits from

If you want to get your hands on one. just follow @P2ALARMPIc and tweet one of the facts or safety

Personal Crime Facts

tweet one of the facts of safety tips from this page. Each day we'll be giving away one of the alarms in a prize draw so get tweeting now!

There were 68,452 recorded cases c robbery in 2010/11

There were 321,000 muggings (robberies - snatch theft) in 2010

instances of serious assault on females aged 16 and over

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In 2010/11 there were 9,509 recorded

4. Builds and grows your visibility leading to greater brand recognition

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## Some of our ideas in action

Click on the links to read how these firms have harnessed social media to deliver serious business results.



Gtech



Morgan Ceramics Blog



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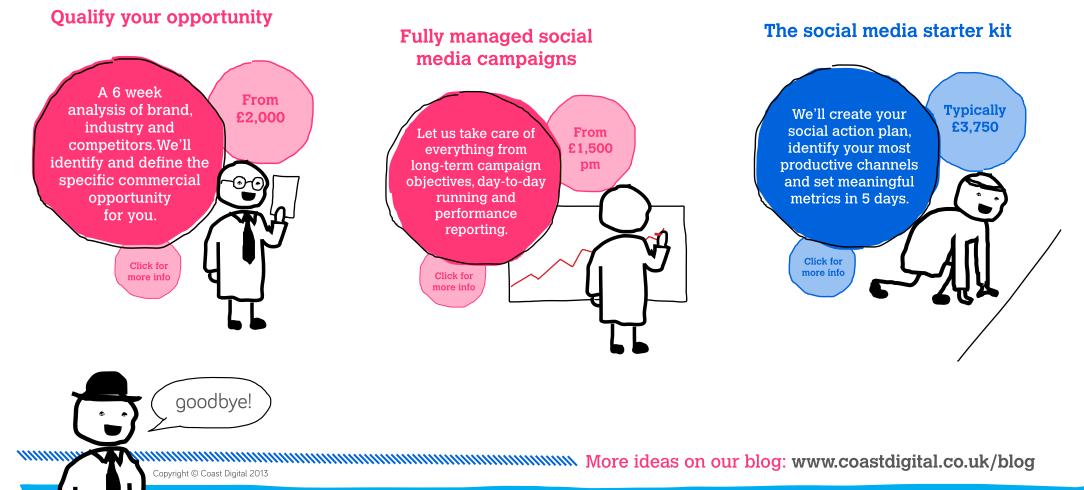
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