## Project Delivery Profession at the forefront of smarter working

The Cabinet Office '<u>The Way We Work Awards'</u> (TW3) take place on 24<sup>th</sup> January. These awards recognise achievements and celebrate excellence in smarter working across the Civil Service. In the Technology Category, the Project Delivery Profession takes centre stage, with both the 'Infrastructure & Projects Authority' and 'Health Education England' being shortlisted.

The two online networks: 'Government Project Delivery Community (GovPDC)' and 'Health Project Delivery Community', were launched on the 'Knowledge Hub' platform last year.

By using Knowledge Hub, Civil Service and NHS Project Delivery professionals now have straight-forward access to a variety of collaboration tools. It enables them to share ideas, knowledge and experience, solve problems, stay in touch and make new relationships across organisational boundaries, all on one platform. It has had a strong take up:

- With early adopters, such as DWP, DfE and the Home Office, the GovPDC has grown to over 850 participants and includes members from arms-length bodies, academia and public/private sector partners.
- The Health Project Delivery Community, grown as a collaborative development between 10 national health and social care organisations, also launched last year. It has 755 members currently and community groups for each of the participating organisations.

The awards are judged by industry leaders in the field of smarter working and organisational transformation. They set a high bar, so reaching the shortlist is fantastic achievement as well as being an indicator of how the Project Delivery Profession is at the forefront of the smarter working revolution in the Civil Service.

Sue Phillips and Adrian Davis from the IPA Project Delivery Profession Team, had this to say.

"A really big thank you to all the Community facilitators and to the members regularly participating online. Their contributions are what make both these online networks active and engaging places for the project delivery profession. We don't know which network will win an award, but one thing is for sure, the overall winner is definitely going to be the Project Delivery Profession."

## Here's what Project Delivery people are saying about the online networks

"The GovPDC has changed my outlook. I now regularly liaise with colleagues from a variety of departments who bring fresh, innovative ideas to help me produce higher standards of work." Joe Dowse-Project Delivery Professions Team, Department of Works and Pensions

"I use networking to make connections & to channel that spirit of reciprocity that helps me do my job. The online communities on Knowledge Hub have become another part of that connectedness." *Barry Spruce- Project Delivery Capability Lead, Department of Health.* 

"I joined Khub a few weeks ago and have already found it very beneficial. I have been able to leverage some experienced support for our October Learning Month events from other departments - only because of this Khub group!" Sarah Sweet DfE Project Delivery Change Manager

"There's nothing better than a network opportunity to further yourself, others and the department in which you work" *Sue Mulcahy Skills and Capability Manager, Office for National Statistics.* 

If you have an interest in Project Delivery and would like to become member of these online networks, click the links below.



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