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Profile

I'm a dependable and semi self-taught web developer with a strong foundation in building and

supporting websites, particularly within WordPress and agency environments. With experience across front-end and back-end tools like React, Astro, PHP, Git and Netlify.

I continue to develop my skills through both professional work and personal projects. I'm focused on being a reliable part of any team, responding quickly to challenges, and constantly learning to improve my craft.

Professional Experience

2023 – Present Warrington	Web Developer Mosaic Digital Media I work as part of a close-knit team at this digital agency, where I develop websites using a combination of React, Astro, JavaScript, and PHP. I'm responsible for the website creation, whether from a bespoke design or creating the layout myself. Alongside development, I take care of general website support and resolve enquiries promptly and professionally, speaking with clients direct via phone/email or in person meetings. I learnt a lot from the senior web developer here, and really upped my game from my previous job.
2018 – 2023 Warrington	BDM and Website Creator <i>Drum Internet</i> At Drum Internet, I managed website creation projects from start to finish, often outsourcing design and SEO/marketing tasks. I was responsible for hosting management and provided technical support for websites I created or not. Alongside web responsibilities, I took part in business networking and played a key role in expanding the company's digital services.
1998 – present	Hobby Projects & Freelance Work My first exposure to website creation began in the early 20's with hobby sites, including a Battlefield 2 clan site and a LAN gaming catalogue. Over the years, I've built various websites for friends and family, offered consultancy to a startup agency, and most recently started exploring 3D web technologies like Three.js. These projects have been a consistent way to develop my skills, stay curious, and enjoy creative challenges outside of work.
2004 – 2018	Various Roles <i>Previous Experience</i> Before moving into the digital world professionally, I held a variety of hands-on and technical roles across manufacturing, warehousing, and customer-facing environments. These included operating precision machinery in print and engineering sectors, warehouse logistics, hospitality, and small business support. Across all roles, I built a reputation for being reliable, quick to learn, and willing to take on new responsibilities, qualities that continue to serve me well and give me a work ethic I'm proud of.

Personal

Outside of work, I'm passionate about music – I'm a self-taught guitarist and enjoy going to live concerts whenever I can. I also love getting out in nature, whether it's walking, exploring new places, or just being outdoors. While I don't play as often these days, I've always enjoyed video games, especially when something really immersive or creative comes along.

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