Navigating politics & driving collaboration



Types of Collaboration

Informal and noncommittal, weak links

Voluntary arrangement in which 2 or more entities engage in mutual beneficial exchange instead competing.

Not fully shared risks, responsibilities and rewards.

Synergestic, Symbiotic relation, where 2 or more entities working to hether to create something much greater than they could have come to on their own

1. Networking

2. Coordination

3. Cooperation

4. Resourse Sharing

5. Collaboration

Previously identified goal, synchronization of activities and responsibilities

Knowledge, talents, skills, information, risks, resources, capital; shared for common goal

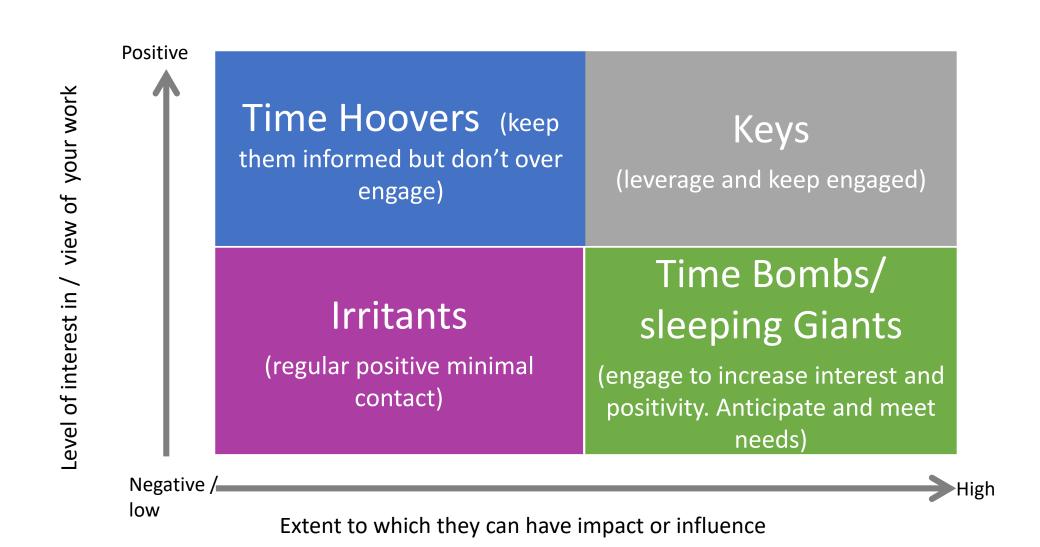
Understanding your stakeholders and landscape



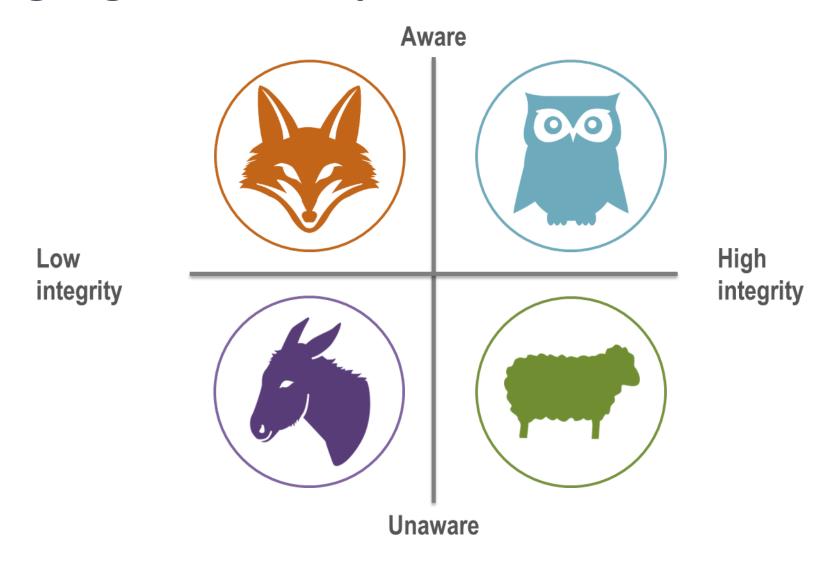
What get's in the way?

- Culture of individualism
- Time constraints
- Varied political and legislative landscapes (that can sometimes conflict)
- Several hurdles to get make something real (internal and external)
- Lack of Trust or network
- Limited opportunity to review synergies
- Brands and reputation (of self and others)

Stakeholder differentiation



Navigating organisational politics



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What makes them tick?

Inspiration – appealing to the greater good (contribute to leaving a legacy, have high standards, be ethical)

Task – getting the job done
(provide information, share tasks, provide learning and stretch, respond quickly, provide resources)

Position – enhanced status (acknowledge contributions, make them visible, connect them to important people, have inside information, provide new contacts)

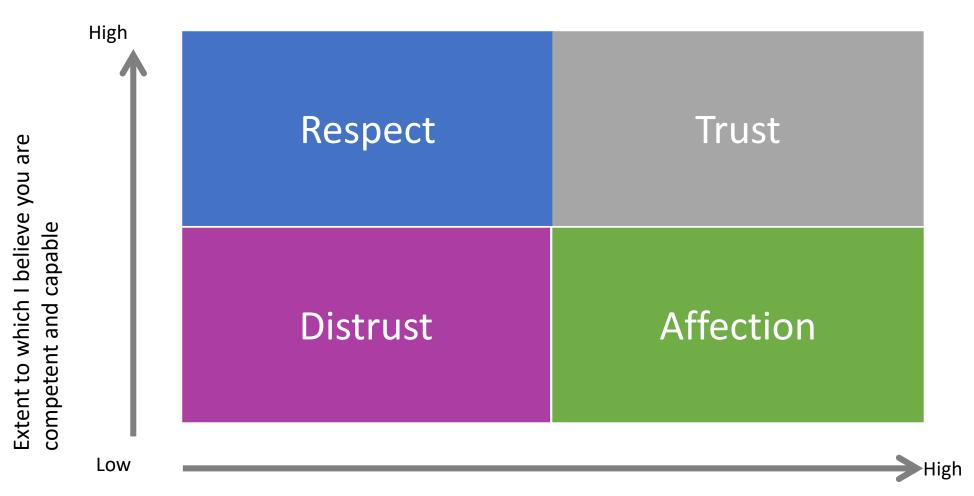
Relationship – supporting & understanding
(listen to concerns and issues, build an informal relationship,
provide emotional support)

Personal - gratitude & involvement
(appreciate for their effort, provide an easy life, offer them a chance to make a big contribution)

Where are your strengths and weaknesses for building Trust?



Building the right relationships for collaboration



Extent to which I believe you care about me

Ambidextrous leadership

TASK ORIENTATION

Identifying scope of task

Define roles and boundaries

Agree milestone and measurements

Begin process

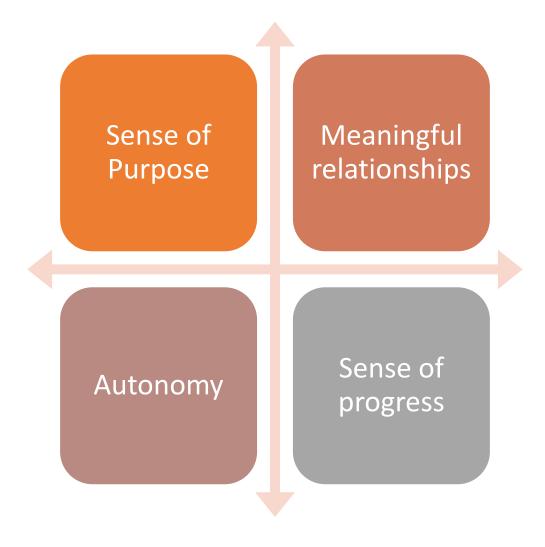
RELATIONSHIP ORIENTATION

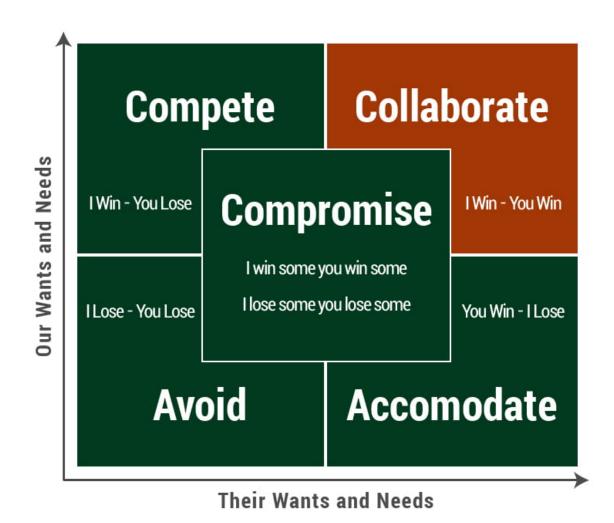
Building Trust

Deepening understanding of needs and drivers

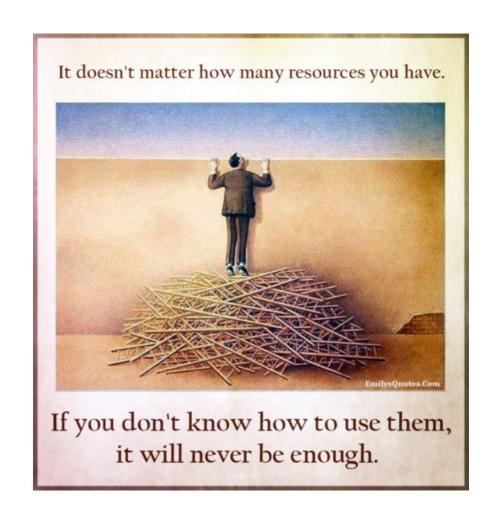
Creating and nurturing 'heritage' relationships

Building understanding and Intimacy





Don't just network – create a POWERFUL, TRUSTED tribe of collaborators



"UNITY IS STRENGTH... WHEN THERE IS TEAMWORK AND COLLABORATION, WONDERFUL THINGS CAN BE ACHIEVED."

MATTIE STEPANEK

