Results of the Employee Engagement Survey for UK Supreme Court, October 2016

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Introduction

About the survey

An external company, People Insight Ltd, was commissioned to undertake the survey. The questionnaire was designed to measure people's attitudes and beliefs concerning key employee engagement issues.

Each section of the survey contained a series of statements to which respondents were asked to indicate their level of agreement from a five point likert scale (strongly agree to strongly disagree).

Survey response rates

The survey was completed in October 2016 and achieved an overall response rate of 100%. 38 staff were invited to take part in the survey and 38 responses were received.

This is an excellent response rate and gives a good degree of confidence in the results.

Symbols used in this report

A traffic light system is used to indicate:

G   areas of strength

A   areas for development

R   areas of weakness

+   indicates what percentage of the total answers for this question were positive

–   indicates what percentage of the total answers for this question were negative

–   Indicates where we are unable to comment due to lack of data or to maintain confidentiality of respondents

A series of arrows are used to indicate relative performance against the Benchmark:

↑↑↑   indicates a performance at least 10% better than the Benchmark average

↑↑   indicates a performance at least 5% and less than 10% better than the Benchmark average

↑   indicates a performance at least 3% and less than 5% better than the Benchmark average

–   indicates a performance within 3% of the Benchmark average

↓   indicates a performance at least 3% and less than 5% worse than the Benchmark average

↓↓   indicates a performance at least 5% and less than 10% worse than the Benchmark average

↓↓↓   indicates a performance at least 10% worse than the Benchmark average

A series of datatables accompany this report outlining the results by survey section broken down by variable. As can be seen, there are variations in results across the organisation which ought to be considered as part of the interpretation and action planning process.

Numbers: Please note that all numbers in this report have been rounded to the closest whole number.

Your Engagement Score

Why measure engagement?

Employee engagement has been proven to positively impact on organisation results, across all sectors. In particular, a high level of employee engagement has been shown to lead to improved productivity, quality and customer satisfaction (and of course for commercial organisations increased profit), whilst reduced absence and lower staff turnover are amongst many of the other benefits.

Your survey has been designed to measure the extent to which your people are engaged and alongside this to measure the drivers of employee engagement (i.e. the things that when done well tend to engage employees). We have analysed these below and compared your results with other organisations in our benchmarking group.

Your benchmarked engagement score: 85%

Your benchmarked engagement score is the headline result for your survey and is presented as a single measure of employee engagement. For the purpose of calculating this score we only include questions where a sufficient number of comparable surveys have used the same question.

Your engagement score compared with our benchmark group is shown below:

Your Score	Variance Arrow	Variance Actual	Benchmark Score
85%	⬆⬆	8%	77%

This is a very good result when compared with our benchmark group.

PEARL Model of Engagement©

5 Global Factors
- Purpose
- Enablement
- Autonomy
- Reward
- Leadership

5 Engagement Indicators
- Pride in the organisation
- Commitment to long term career
- High levels of discretionary effort
- Willingness to recommend and advocate the organisation
- Care about the future of the organisation

Business Outcomes
- Better quality products and services
- Reduced waste and cost
- Increased productivity per employee
- Increased profitability
- High levels of customer satisfaction
- Organisation strategies and plans delivered

Engagement score key questions

The questions below are used to derive your engagement score. Benchmarking results for these are also shown.	Your Score	Variance Arrow	Variance Actual	Benchmark Score
I am proud to say I work for the UK Supreme Court	95%	⬆⬆⬆	18%	77%
Working here makes me want to do the best work I can	87%	⬆⬆	9%	78%
If asked, I would recommend to friends and family that the UK Supreme Court is a good place to work	79%	⬆⬆⬆	10%	69%
I care about the future of the UK Supreme Court	95%	⬆⬆	5%	90%
I would still like to be working at the UK Supreme Court in two years' time	68%	–	-2%	70%

Scores by engagement theme

Your overall engagement score is the result of a number of factors, many of which can be directly influenced or controlled by management. These are often called engagement drivers, and are the things that when done well tend to motivate, inspire and engage employees. Your survey measured a wide range of engagement drivers and these have been grouped into themes depending upon where they appeared in your survey. These themes are often useful as the focus for action planning.

Your benchmarking results for each theme are summarised below. These scores have been calculated as the average score for all engagement driver questions within each theme. Please note that for benchmarking purposes we only include questions in this analysis where a sufficient number of comparable surveys have used the same question.

Engagement Theme	Your Score	Variance Arrow	Variance Actual	Benchmark Score
Goal Clarity	92%	↑↑↑	19%	73%
Communication	69%	↑↑↑	18%	51%
Task Satisfaction	89%	↑↑↑	11%	78%
Employee Involvement	82%	↑↑↑	15%	67%
Teamwork	84%	↑↑↑	15%	69%
Learning & Development	84%	↑↑↑	15%	69%
Recognition & Reward	89%	↑↑↑	31%	58%
Management Effectiveness	80%	↑↑	7%	73%
Employee Support	91%	↑↑↑	23%	68%
Health and safety	96%	↑↑↑	21%	75%

Considerations for action planning

Many clients use the overall engagement score as the starting point for action planning. Your score is currently 85%, which is above (5% or more) our benchmarking norms. The questions to consider as part of action planning can include:

- Are we happy with this score? What would we like it to be in 12 months time?
- What do the driver scores tell us in terms of why our overall engagement score is 85%?
    - What are we doing particularly well?
    - What themes are showing up as weaknesses?
    - What would we like the scores to be for each theme in 12 months time?
    - What actions do we need to take to get there?

As you will see from the more detailed datatable analyses, results may vary quite considerably from one employee group to another, and so these questions often need to be discussed at both the overall organisation level and also further down, within individual teams and departments.

It is often useful to generate action plans at each of these levels to reflect the different priorities and needs that exist. Involving a range of staff in the action planning process often helps in ensuring not only that the right actions are taken, but also that people understand why they are being taken and are inclined to support them.

Highs and Lows

This section highlights the ten questions that received the most positive responses from respondents, and the ten questions that received the most negative responses. This may help you to identify the things that you are doing well, and should celebrate, and the things that, when compared to your other results, may need attention.

Top 10 results
Questions with the most positive responses

		+	−
1.	I always take personal security for myself and colleagues seriously	100%	0%
2.	I understand the aims and objectives of the UK Supreme Court	100%	0%
3.	I believe that Health and Safety is something that the UK Supreme Court takes very seriously	100%	0%
4.	I understand how the work I do helps the UK Supreme Court to achieve its aims	100%	0%
5.	I am satisfied with the physical environment in which I work	97%	0%
6.	I know where to go to for support regarding health and safety issues	97%	0%
7.	I am clear about what I am expected to achieve in my job	97%	0%
8.	I know where to go in the event of an evacuation	97%	3%
9.	I get a sense of achievement from working at the UK Supreme Court	95%	0%
10.	I am proud to say I work for the UK Supreme Court	95%	0%

Bottom 10 results
Questions with the most negative responses

		+	−
1.	Communication is good between different teams	63%	18%
2.	People communicate openly regardless of position or level	66%	13%
3.	I would still like to be working at the UK Supreme Court in two years' time	68%	11%
4.	My manager treats me fairly and with respect	82%	11%
5.	I find my work challenging	76%	8%
6.	I can count on my manager to do what they say	76%	5%
7.	If asked, I would recommend to friends and family that the UK Supreme Court is a good place to work	79%	5%
8.	I am encouraged to suggest new ideas for improvements	79%	5%
9.	It is easy to work with people in other teams to get things done	79%	5%
10.	My manager shows appreciation for the work I do	82%	5%

Results by survey section

This section of the report shows you the percentage responses to each of the survey questions, by survey section. An algorithm is used to identify strengths, areas for development, and weaknesses. This takes into account all responses to each question, whether positive, negative, or neutral. The number to the left of each question represents the number of respondents answering that question.

Goal Clarity

	Strengths	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
38	I understand the aims and objectives of the UK Supreme Court	82%	18%	0%	0%	0%
38	I am clear about what I am expected to achieve in my job	76%	21%	3%	0%	0%
38	I understand how the work I do helps the UK Supreme Court to achieve its aims	76%	24%	0%	0%	0%
38	I know how well the UK Supreme Court is doing against its aims and objectives	42%	39%	16%	3%	0%
38	Different parts of the Court generally work well together and understand each other's roles	26%	55%	13%	5%	0%

	Section Average	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
	(% based on all replies (190) to all questions (5) in the Section)	61%	32%	6%	2%	0%

Engagement Outcomes

	Strengths	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
38	I am proud to say I work for the UK Supreme Court	76%	18%	5%	0%	0%
38	Working here makes me want to do the best work I can	71%	16%	13%	0%	0%
38	If asked, I would recommend to friends and family that the UK Supreme Court is a good place to work	61%	18%	16%	5%	0%
38	I care about the future of the UK Supreme Court	74%	21%	5%	0%	0%

	Areas for development	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
38	I would still like to be working at the UK Supreme Court in two years' time	39%	29%	21%	8%	3%

	Section Average	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
	(% based on all replies (190) to all questions (5) in the Section)	64%	21%	12%	3%	1%

Communication

	Strengths	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
38	Communication across the Court is usually very good	16%	58%	24%	3%	0%
38	News and information is shared openly across the Court	32%	50%	16%	3%	0%
38	I always get the right type and amount of information about what is happening across the Court to help me do my job well	26%	47%	24%	3%	0%
38	Key messages from the senior management team are communicated clearly	34%	55%	8%	3%	0%

	Areas for development	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
38	People communicate openly regardless of position or level	26%	39%	21%	13%	0%
38	Communication is good between different teams	8%	55%	18%	18%	0%

Section Average	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
(% based on all replies (228) to all questions (6) in the Section)	24%	51%	18%	7%	0%

Task Satisfaction

(G)	Strengths	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
38	I enjoy my work	61%	32%	5%	3%	0%
38	I am motivated to do the very best in my job	61%	29%	11%	0%	0%
38	I am proud of the work I do	61%	32%	8%	0%	0%
38	I find my work challenging	47%	29%	16%	8%	0%
38	I get a sense of achievement from working at the UK Supreme Court	55%	39%	5%	0%	0%

(G)	Section Average	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
	(% based on all replies (190) to all questions (5) in the Section)	57%	32%	9%	2%	0%

Employee Involvement

	Strengths	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
38	I have the opportunity to contribute my views on matters relating to my work	47%	37%	16%	0%	0%
38	I have the flexibility I need to get on with my job and I am trusted by my manager	63%	26%	11%	0%	0%
38	I am encouraged to suggest new ideas for improvements	53%	26%	16%	3%	3%
38	I am aware of the Results Into Action Group	42%	45%	11%	3%	0%
38	I value knowing more about my colleagues at work	42%	42%	16%	0%	0%

Section Average	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
(% based on all replies (190) to all questions (5) in the Section)	49%	35%	14%	1%	1%

Teamwork

(G) Strengths

		Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
38	My team has clear aims and objectives	53%	42%	5%	0%	0%
38	People in my immediate team work well together	53%	32%	11%	5%	0%
38	Morale in my immediate team is good	53%	24%	21%	3%	0%
38	People I work with deliver what they say they will	53%	34%	11%	3%	0%
38	It is easy to work with people in other teams to get things done	29%	50%	16%	5%	0%

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
(G) Section Average (% based on all replies (190) to all questions (5) in the Section)	48%	36%	13%	3%	0%

Learning & Development

	Strengths	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
38	I have received the training and development I need to do my job well	29%	58%	13%	0%	0%
38	I have the knowledge and skills I need to do my job	45%	45%	11%	0%	0%
38	My manager encourages me to consider my learning and development	45%	37%	16%	0%	3%
38	I have the right opportunities to learn and grow at work	42%	37%	18%	0%	3%

Section Average	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
(% based on all replies (152) to all questions (4) in the Section)	40%	44%	14%	0%	1%

Recognition & Reward

	Strengths	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
38	In the last week, I have received thanks or praise for doing good work	42%	47%	5%	0%	5%
38	I feel valued and recognised for the work that I do	50%	39%	8%	3%	0%
38	Considering all aspects of working at The Supreme Court, including the building, location and people I work with, working here compares favourably to working in other Civil Service departments	58%	32%	11%	0%	0%
38	I am aware that I am able to buy or sell up to 5 days annual leave each 12 months if I wish to	63%	32%	3%	3%	0%

Section Average	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
(% based on all replies (152) to all questions (4) in the Section)	53%	38%	7%	1%	1%

Management Effectiveness

(G) Strengths		Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
38	My manager communicates clearly what is expected of me	53%	32%	13%	3%	0%
38	My manager shows appreciation for the work I do	50%	32%	13%	3%	3%
38	My manager treats me fairly and with respect	50%	32%	8%	5%	5%
38	My manager gives me regular feedback on how I am doing	45%	26%	29%	0%	0%
38	I can count on my manager to do what they say	53%	24%	18%	0%	5%

(G) Section Average	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
(% based on all replies (190) to all questions (5) in the Section)	50%	29%	16%	2%	3%

Employee Support

	Strengths	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
38	I have the equipment and resources I need to do my work properly	58%	34%	8%	0%	0%
38	I am satisfied with the physical environment in which I work	61%	37%	3%	0%	0%
38	I am able to strike the right balance between my work and home life	50%	39%	8%	3%	0%
38	I am satisfied with the flexibility of my hours	50%	34%	13%	3%	0%
38	I know where to go to get support if required	53%	37%	8%	3%	0%

Section Average	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
(% based on all replies (190) to all questions (5) in the Section)	54%	36%	8%	2%	0%

Health and safety

(G)	Strengths	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
38	I believe that Health and Safety is something that the UK Supreme Court takes very seriously	68%	32%	0%	0%	0%
38	I have a good understanding of the UK Supreme Court's Health and Safety policy and procedures	55%	39%	5%	0%	0%
38	I know where to go to for support regarding health and safety issues	68%	29%	3%	0%	0%
38	I believe that the UK Supreme Court provides the right kinds of support and resources to help staff to manage their health and safety risks at work	63%	32%	5%	0%	0%

(G)	Section Average	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
	(% based on all replies (152) to all questions (4) in the Section)	64%	33%	3%	0%	0%

Personal Security

	Strengths	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
38	I always take personal security for myself and colleagues seriously	79%	21%	0%	0%	0%
38	I know where to find the Security and Emergency Guidance	61%	32%	3%	5%	0%
38	I know where to go in the event of an evacuation	71%	26%	0%	3%	0%
38	I always ensure that guests are wearing a visitor pass and escorted around the building at all times	53%	32%	13%	3%	0%

	Section Average	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
	(% based on all replies (152) to all questions (4) in the Section)	66%	28%	4%	3%	0%

Traffic light system - explanation

Throughout our reports, a traffic light system is used to indicate:

G areas of strength

A areas for development

R areas of weakness

The traffic lights are calculated by an algorithm that takes into account all responses to each question, and performs the following functions:

- Reviews the percentage of respondents that 'neither agree nor disagree' with a given question (where this option exists)
- Then reviews the ratio of respondents that agree/disagree with the question
- Then applies a traffic light based on a stepped scale. Within this scale, the higher the percentage of respondents that 'neither agree nor disagree' with a question the higher the ratio of respondents agreeing/disagreeing needs to be to move the result from a red, to an amber, to a green.
- Where the option 'neither agree nor disagree' is not present, the algorithm reviews the ratio of agree/disagree responses, and again uses a stepped scale to determine whether to apply a red, amber or green traffic light.