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Our brand refresh enables us to reinvigorate the way we communicate.

The objectives of the DCMS brand refresh are to ensure visual consistency across printed and digital media to enable a better understanding of the Department's objectives and responsibilities, and raise its profile amongst its diverse audiences which include internal stakeholders, the general public and sponsored bodies.

#### **Brand enquiries**

Promotions and Publicity Unit contact 0207 211 6051, 0207 211 6048, 0207 211 6356 or 0207 211 6509

#### Website enquiries

David Armstrong contact 0207 211 6268



### the logo

The logo is a key element of the DCMS brand.

The DCMS logo has been strengthened, with the additional element of the full name, to enhance awareness and create better communication.

It is made up of two elements, the box symbol and the name. To maximise their impact, they have a fixed relationship that must remain consistent.

The logo must be seen on everything we do, from publications to stationery to exhibitions. It must always be applied consistently, in the DCMS colour palette and in the top left hand corner of an application (unless otherwise stated).

It should not be redrawn, digitally manipulated or altered. The logo must always be reproduced from a master reference. This is available in tiff, eps and jpeg format.

Tiff: all professionally printed applications.

**Eps:** large format ie exhibitions.

Jpeg: Microsoft programmes.



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### the logo minimum size exclusion zone

The DCMS logo must always be consistently reproduced and clearly visible. Therefore a minimum size has been established for the logo. The size is 10mm measured across the width of the DCMS box symbol.

There is no maximum size. The logo is available in a larger file size for large reproduction formats, ie exhibitions.

The DCMS logo is also protected by an exclusion zone. this will ensure the logo has maximum impact and visibility on all communications.

The exclusion zone is calculated by using two thirds, of the height of the box, as illustrated. Please observe this rule and ensure that no other graphic elements (such as text or imagery) intrude into the zone.



10mm



### colour

To represent the diversity of our work we use a vibrant palette of ten colours. The palette should be used for all communications and in rotation to exploit the full range and create maximum impact. No alternative colours are permitted.

The colours have been chosen to complement each other and can be combined (see page 8 for details).

It is vital the colours are produced accurately across all communications. Always match the Pantone reference or CMYK percentages indicated. The RGB reference is for on-screen usage only.

Pantone 5125	C44 M81 Y11 K51	R112 G64 B94
Pantone 308	C100 M19 Y8 K50	R0 G51 B102
Pantone 3272	C99 M0 Y48 K0	R0 G163 B135
Pantone 165	C0 M72 Y100 K0	R223 G104 B4
Pantone 1935	C1 M100 Y51 K6	R241 G50 B53
Pantone 239	C17 M80 Y0 K0	R210 G27 B122
Pantone 279	C68 M34 Y0 K0	R10 G131 B223
Pantone 382	C34 M0 Y100 K0	R204 G255 B51
Pantone 130	C0 M35 Y100 K0	R230 G176 B18
Pantone 5483	C65 M11 Y25 K27	R92 G131 B141

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# the logo colour variants

The logo can appear in any of the DCMS colours on a white background or reversed white out of the colour palette. Where colour reproduction is limited it can also appear in black on a white background or reversed white out of black.

No alternative colours or combinations are permitted. See page 6 for colour specifications.

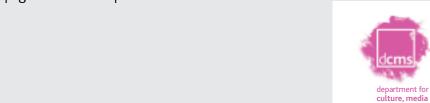


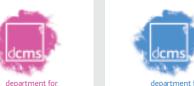
















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# colour combinations

The DCMS colour palette has been designed to work independently or in various complementary combinations, as shown.

This is particularity effective when resources are limited and only two colour printing is available, such as for level 2 publications.

Suggested colour combinations are shown opposite.



### typeface primary Bliss

Distinctive and powerful typography reinforces the DCMS personality and adds impact to our communications.

Bliss is our primary typeface. It was chosen for its legibility, versatility and availability. The Bliss family includes a variety of weights, offering extensive design flexibility. Bliss should be used for all communications, wherever possible.

Clarendon is our supporting typeface and should be used with discretion to provide emphasis on the page. Arial is our substitute typeface, this is only used on our website and for PowerPoint presentations.

#### No other typefaces are permitted.

The minimum point size for body copy is 11pt set on 13pt leading.

For detailed typographic specifications please see the publications section of the guidelines on page 17.

Bliss is available from Jeremy Tankard Typography www.typography.net

# Bliss

Our primary typeface is Bliss. The sans serif was chosen for the accessibility, simplicity, legibility and distinctive character of the design. Bliss has a natural humanist feel and flow. The typeface family includes many different weights, from extra light to heavy. Bliss has good visibility on the page and should be used for all communications. It offers excellent design flexibility and character.

### typeface supporting Clarendon

Clarendon is our supporting typeface and should be used with discretion to provide emphasis on the page. It has been chosen to compliment Bliss and provide additional typographic impact.

It should be used minimally to highlight short paragraphs, the mission statement, headings, quotes etc. Clarendon should never be used for large areas of body copy.

Copy is generally set in upper and lowercase, ranged left, ragged right. For detailed typographic specifications please see the publications section of the guidelines on page 17.

Clarendon is available from www.linotype.com

# Clarendon

Our secondary typeface is Clarendon. The slab serif typeface was chosen for its clear, objective, timeless forms and contemporary feel. In small point sizes Clarendon is still a legible font and in larger print, its individual style attracts attention and creates impact.

## strapline

The DCMS strapline is a summary of our mission statement. It is designed to raise our profile and improve communication with our diverse audiences.

The strapline box device provides a visual connection with our logo and enables it to be legible on any background.

It appears on the front cover of every publication and in a prominent position on all other materials. The strapline device is designed to interact with the individual design of each application and create a visual balance with the logo. A set of recommended positions are shown on the following page. The strapline appears in a set position on level 2 publications. Please see page 37 for detailed specifications.

There are two versions of the strapline:

#### Strapline box defined with a keyline

This is only used on a white background. The white strapline and white text version of this can also be used on any background, provided there is good legibility and reproduction.

#### Solid strapline box, no keyline

This is used on white, solid colour and image backgrounds.

It can appear in any of the colour combinations shown, (and white). The strapline must be reproduced from a master file and is available in eps or jpeg format.

In exceptional circumstances, where space is restricted, the strapline can appear without the box. It must always be typeset in lowercase Bliss Regular. The design must be approved by the Promotions and Publicity Unit. Contact numbers: 0207 211 6051, 0207 211 6048, 0207 211 6356 or 0207 211 6509

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solid strapline box - white, solid colour and image backgrounds only

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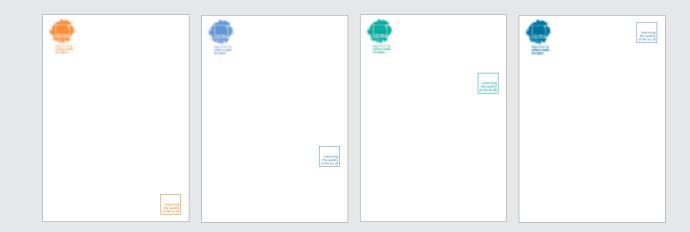
# **strapline** positioning

The recommended position for the strapline on level 2 publications is the bottom right hand corner of the page. This creates a visual balance with the logo.

On level 1 publications greater design flexibility is permitted and the position can be determined by the other elements on the page.

The strapline can move vertically along the right hand edge of the design area.

The strapline box should never be positioned in close proximity or visually overpower the DCMS logo.



### mission statement

Our mission statement sets out our aims and objectives.

The statement appears prominently on the inside front cover (or first page) of every publication we produce and wherever possible on all other materials.

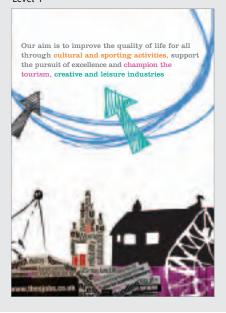
Level 1 publications and all other materials can customise the style of the mission statement to complement the individual design. The mission statement always appears in Bliss or Clarendon.

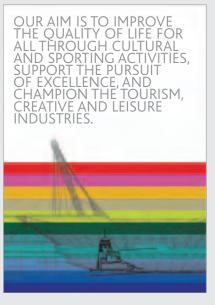
On all level 2 publications the mission statement is typeset in a consistent size and position. Please see page 39 for detailed specifications.

On self-cover documents and DL leaflet, where space is restricted, the mission statement can appear on the back cover. It should appear at the top of the page ranged left or at the base of the page ranged right. Please see page 26 for specifications.

Our aim is to improve the quality of life for all through cultural and sporting activities, support the pursuit of excellence, and champion the tourism, creative and leisure industries.

#### Level 1





#### Level 2

Our aim is to improve the quality of life for all through cultural and sporting activities, support the pursuit of excellence, and champion the tourism, creative and leisure industries.

### contact information

DCMS contact details should appear on the outer back cover of every publication. The contact details must always feature the logo, address and website. They appear in a consistent size and position on every publication.

The logo and contact details can appear in any of the DCMS colours or white reversed out of a colour background. The logo must always appear in the same colour as the address and website

#### contact detail examples





Dimensions 297/210mm

all measurements in millimetres

Logo

15mm wide

Address

11/13pt Bliss Light

Web address

11/13pt Bliss Medium

## co-branding

Independent and partnership organisations that are working with the DCMS require a joint branding. This works on two different levels of branding hierarchy.

#### Joint ventures (50:50 relationship)

This is when a partnership organisation is working alongside the DCMS in a joint initiative. The partnership logo should have a similar hierarchy and status as the DCMS logo. The other organisation's guidelines should also be consulted.

On front covers the partnership logo can appear in white, black or its own colour, provided this complements the design and print specification. It should be placed at the base of the page, ranged left.

#### Accreditation (80:20 relationship)

This is when the DCMS is the lead organisation and the partnership organisation is endorsing the initiative. The partnership logo can appear in white, black or its own colour, provided this complements the design and print specification. It should only appear on the outer back cover, in a similar size relationship to the DCMS logo.

Joint venture co-branding



Accreditation co-branding (back cover)



### **DCMS** accreditation

The DCMS is often involved at an accreditation, consultant or supporting level on other organisation's initiatives. The DCMS logo should always appear in order to highlight our role in these initiatives and to raise our profile and public awareness.

#### Other organisation materials (20:80 relationship)

When the DCMS is endorsing another organisation's initiative the DCMS logo should have a strong visual presence on the page. The preferred placement is on the front cover. The visual relationship between both logos should be balanced. The alternative preferred position is on the outer back cover.

The DCMS logo can appear in white, a colour from the palette or black. The DCMS logo must always be consistently reproduced and clearly visible. The minimum size and minimum clearance guidance must be followed.

The minimum size is 10mm measured across the width of the DCMS box symbol. The logo exclusion zone is calculated by using two thirds, of the height of the box, as illustrated.



exclusion zone two thirds of the box height





## publications



### publications

Publications are one of our most visible communication tools. They promote the work of the DCMS and provide a vital link with our audiences. DCMS publications are divided into two levels. Detailed design specifications for each level are illustrated on the following pages.

#### Level 1

#### Promotional publications

These are commissioned by the Promotions and Publicity Unit, working in conjunction with a design agency. They are bespoke publications and are permitted a high level of design flexibility. Level 1 publications can be produced in alternative, non-standard sizes if this is appropriate to the design concept.

#### Level 2

#### Standard publications

These are commissioned by the Promotions and Publicity Unit, working in conjunction with typesetters. Level 2 publications are economical single or two colour publications, designed to a set grid structure. They are always produced in standard sizes, either A4 or A5 portrait.

All publications should be printed on recycled or environmentally friendly, accredited paper stock.

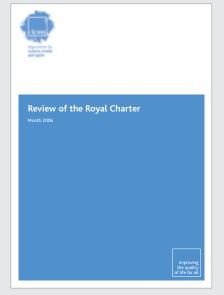
#### Level 1



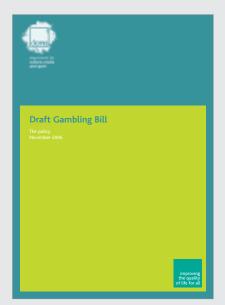




#### Level 2







Planning for play

# publications level 1

Level 1 publications are allowed a degree of creative freedom, they can use photography, illustration and typography to create a dynamic, inspirational design. Key elements of the brand must be consistently applied:

#### cover

Logo – consistent size and position Strapline box – consistent size Title set in Bliss or Clarendon

#### inside front cover (or initial pages)

Mission statement – customised

#### inside back cover

DCMS imprint – consistent size and position

#### outer back cover

 $\operatorname{\mathsf{DCMS}}$  logo, address and website – consistent size and position









# publications level 1 A4 covers

Level 1 publication covers can use any of the DCMS colours. They are generally printed in 4 colour.

The logo must always be consistently sized and positioned on the page, as shown.

The strapline box position is dictated by the cover design. It is designed to interact with the elements on the page. The strapline box can be a single or two colour combination.

Headings must be well written, engaging, informative and concise. Avoid writing long headings that lack impact.



Dimensions

297/210mm

all measurements in millimetres

Logo

20mm wide

Heading

Bliss or Clarendon

Sub heading (optional)

Bliss

Strapline box 23mm wide

# publications level 1 A5 covers

Level 1 publication covers can use any of the DCMS colours. They are generally printed in 4 colour.

The logo must always be consistently sized and positioned on the page, as shown.

The strapline box position is dictated by the cover design. It is designed to interact with the elements on the page. The strapline box can be a single or two colour combination.

Headings must be well written, engaging, informative and concise. Avoid writing long headings that lack impact.



## publications

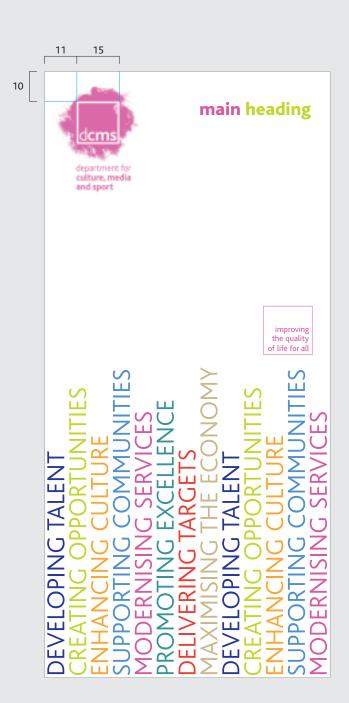
### level 1 DL covers

Level 1 publication covers can use any of the DCMS colours. They are generally printed in 4 colour.

The logo must always be consistently sized and positioned on the page, as shown.

The strapline box position is dictated by the cover design. It is designed to interact with the elements on the page. The strapline box can be a single or two colour combination.

Headings must be well written, engaging, informative and concise. Avoid writing long headings that lack impact.



Dimensions

210/99mm

all measurements

in millimetres

Logo 15mm wide

Heading

Bliss or Clarendon

Sub heading (optional)

Bliss

Strapline box

17mm wide

Level 1 publication covers can use any of the DCMS colours. They are generally printed in 4 colour.

The logo must always be consistently sized and positioned on the page, as shown.

The strapline box position is dictated by the cover design. It is designed to interact with the elements on the page. The strapline box can be a single or two colour combination.

Headings must be well written, engaging, informative and concise. Avoid writing long headings that lack impact.



Dimensions 210/297mm all measurements in millimetres

Logo 20mm wide

Heading Bliss or Clarendon

Sub heading (optional)
Bliss

Strapline box 23mm wide

# publications level 1 alternative sizes

Level 1 publications can appear in alternative, non standard sizes. These should only be considered if it is relevant to the design concept and content.

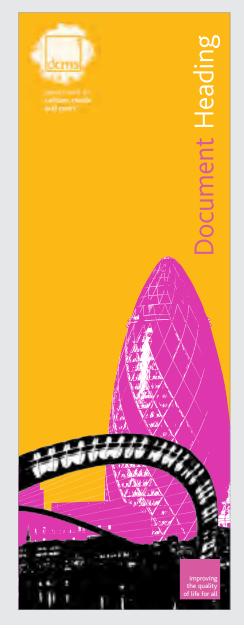
The size and position of the logo is established by using the closest size relationship guidelines (ie A4, A5) and reducing or enlarging proportionately.

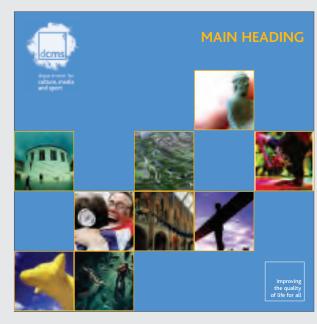
On front covers the logo and strapline box should not appear smaller than 15mm wide.



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15mm







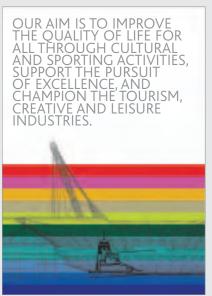
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# level 1 mission statement

Our mission statement appears prominently on the inside front cover (or first page) of every publication we produce.

Level 1 publications customise the style of the mission statement to complement the individual design. The mission statement always appears in Bliss or Clarendon. Our aim is to improve the quality of life for all through cultural and sporting activities, support the pursuit of excellence, and champion the tourism, creative and leisure industries.







## publications

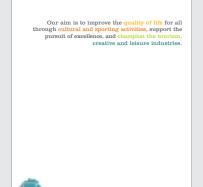
# level 1 DL/self-cover mission statement

On self-cover and DL publications, where space is restricted, the mission statement can appear on the back cover. It should appear at the top of the page or at the base of the page, ranged right.

Level 1 publications customise the style of the mission statement to complement the individual design. The mission statement always appears in Bliss or Clarendon. Our aim is to improve the quality of life for all through cultural and sporting activities, support the pursuit of excellence, and champion the tourism, creative and leisure industries.







# publications level 1 inside spreads

Distinctive and powerful typography reinforces the DCMS personality and adds impact to our communications. Level 1 publication text spreads should fully exploit the DCMS colour palette and use photography or illustration to add emphasis and highlight key information.

Level 1 publications use Bliss and Clarendon. The Bliss family includes a variety of weights, offering extensive design flexibility. Clarendon is our supporting typeface and should be used with discretion to provide emphasis on the page. It should be used minimally to highlight short paragraphs, the mission statement, headings, quotes etc.

Typography should be strong, distinctive and clear. All text spreads should be well structured and the different typeface weights used to provide clear navigation on the page. Headings have no fixed size. The minimum point size for body copy is 11pt set on 13pt leading.

All body copy must be set in Bliss. No other typefaces are permitted. Copy is set in upper and lowercase, however capitals can be used for small areas of copy.

Copy must be well written, engaging, informative and concise. Avoid writing long headings that lack impact. Well crafted copy and clear, effective, modern design allows us to engage with our audiences.

Standard letter and word spacing must always be used. Type must not be condensed or expanded using computer software. Hyphenation should be turned off. 'Widows' and 'orphans' within text should be avoided (wherever possible), either by tracking or kerning (to a maximum of -3) and copy-editing.





# publications level 1 A4/A5 imprint

The DCMS imprint appears in a consistent size and position on the inside back cover of every publication.

The imprint must contain the following information:

We can also provide documents to meet the specific requirements of people with disabilities. Please call 020 7211 6200 or email enquiries@culture.gov.uk

Department for Culture, Media and Sport Printed in the UK on recycled paper ©Crown Copyright Date PP reference Number of copies

The imprint appears in any of the DCMS colours or black. It can also appear white reversed out of a colour.



White imprint on a colour background

Dimensions 297/210mm or 210/148mm all measurements in millimetres Imprint 11/13pt Bliss Roman We can also provide documents to meet the specific requirements of people with disabilities. Please call 020 7211 6200 or email enquiries@culture.gov.uk Department for Culture, Media and Sport Printed in the UK on recycled paper ©Crown Copyright Date PP reference No. of copies

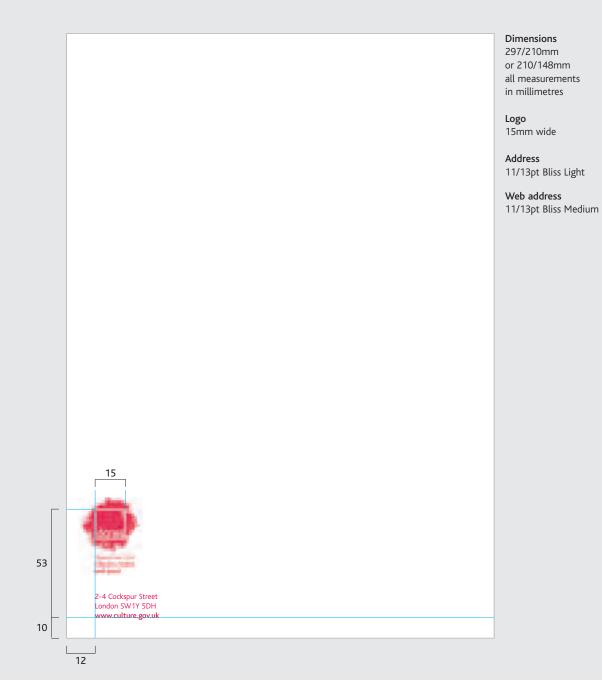
# publications level 1 A4/A5 back cover

The DCMS outer back cover must always feature the logo, address and website. They appear in a consistent size and position on every publication.

The logo and contact details can appear in any of the DCMS colours or white reversed out of a colour background. The logo must always appear in the same colour as the address and website

White logo and contact details on a colour background





## publications level 1 DL back cover and imprint

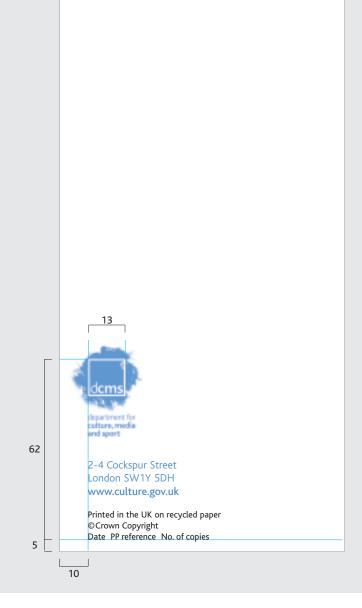
On DL publications, where space is restricted, the outer back cover must always feature the logo, address, website and imprint. They appear in a consistent size and position on every publication.

The logo and contact details can appear in any of the DCMS colours or white reversed out of a colour background. The logo must always appear in the same colour as the address and website.

The imprint appears in any of the DCMS colours or black. It can also appear white reversed out of a colour.

#### back cover examples





#### Dimensions

210/99mm all measurements

#### in millimetres

Logo 13mm wide

#### Address

11/13pt Bliss Light

#### Web address

11/13pt Bliss Medium

Insert a 3mm space after the web address

#### Imprint

9/11pt Bliss Roman

# **publications** level 2

Level 2 publications are designed to a uniform grid structure. The covers are printed in one or two colours, from the DCMS palette. Inside pages print single colour, black. (In certain circumstances text pages can be two colour). Level 2 publications are designed to a uniform grid structure. They are always produced in standard sizes, ie A4 or A5 portrait. The brand must be consistently applied:

#### cover

Logo – consistent size and position Strapline box – consistent size and position Title – consistent size and position Boxed area – consistent size and position

#### inside front cover (or initial pages)

Mission statement – consistent size and position

#### inside back cover

DCMS imprint – consistent size and position

#### outer back cover

DCMS logo, address and website – consistent size and position





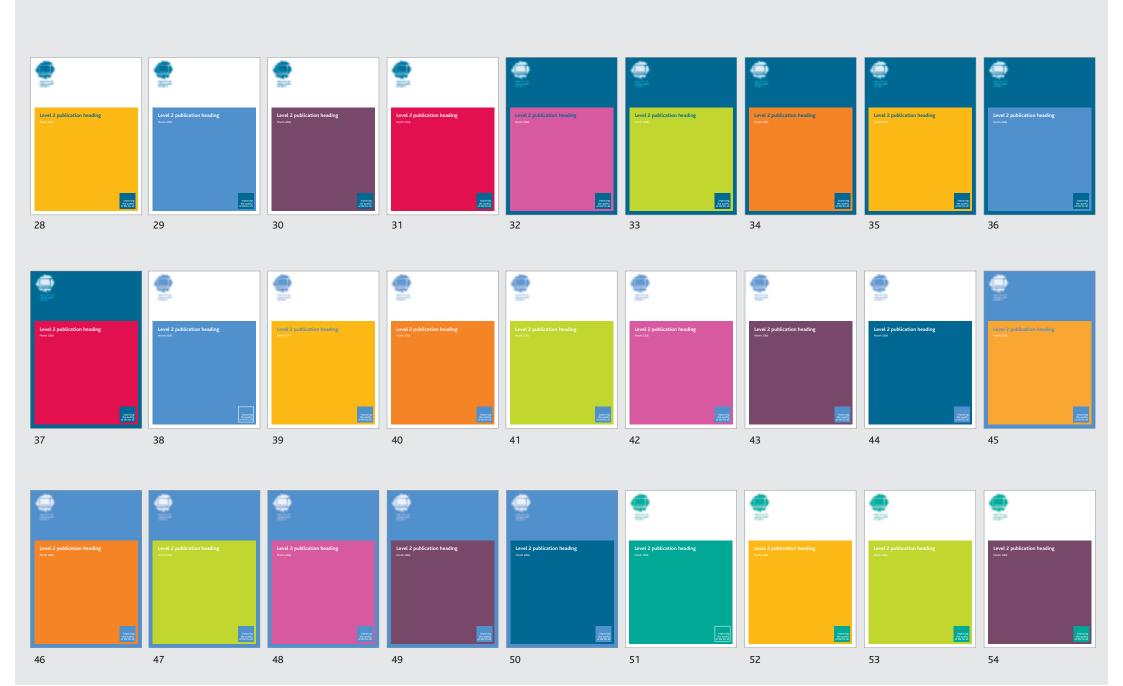


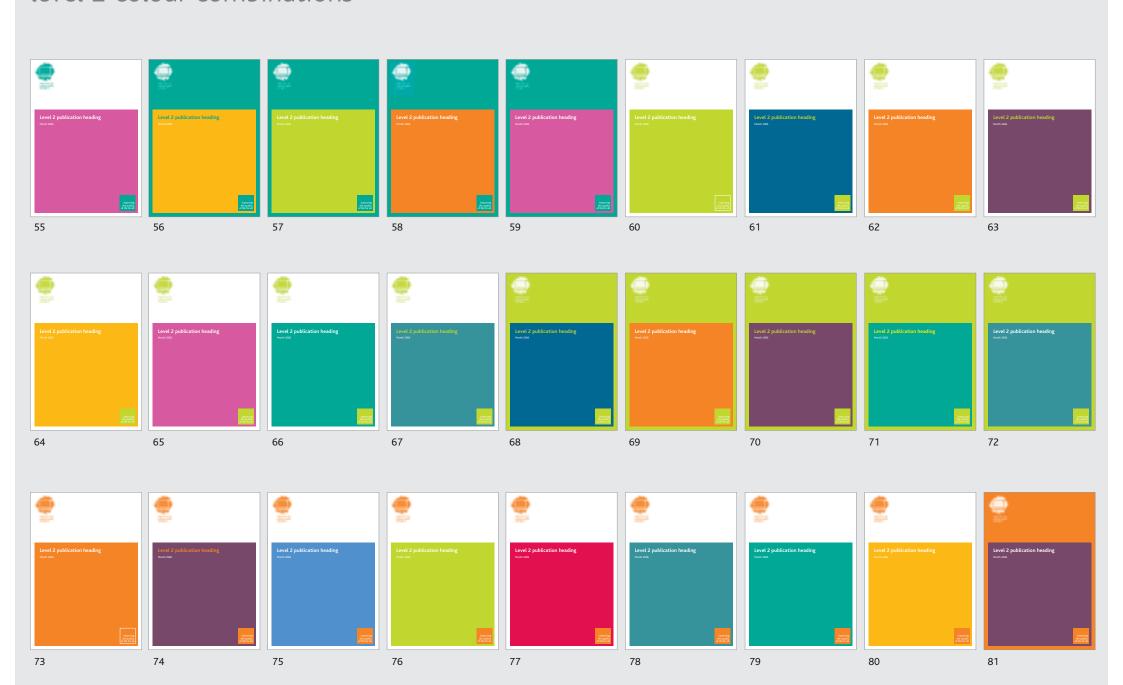














## **publications** level 2 colour combinations





# publications level 2 A4 covers

Level 2 publication covers are designed to a set grid structure and can utilise any of the colour combinations shown on pages 32 to 36. Level 2 publications are printed in either one or two colours.

All the brand elements, positions and dimensions must be consistently applied to achieve clear and effective communications.

Headings and publication dates are set in upper and lowercase.

Duotone or single colour images that are appropriate to the publication subject and utilise the DCMS colour palette can also be placed inside the boxed area. Always ensure the copy is legible against the background image.

#### Duotone and single colour image examples









# publications level 2 A5 covers

Level 2 publication covers are designed to a set grid structure and can utilise any of the colour combinations shown on pages 32 to 36. Level 2 publications are printed in either one or two colours.

All the brand elements, positions and dimensions must be consistently applied to achieve clear and effective communications.

Headings and publication dates are set in upper and lowercase.

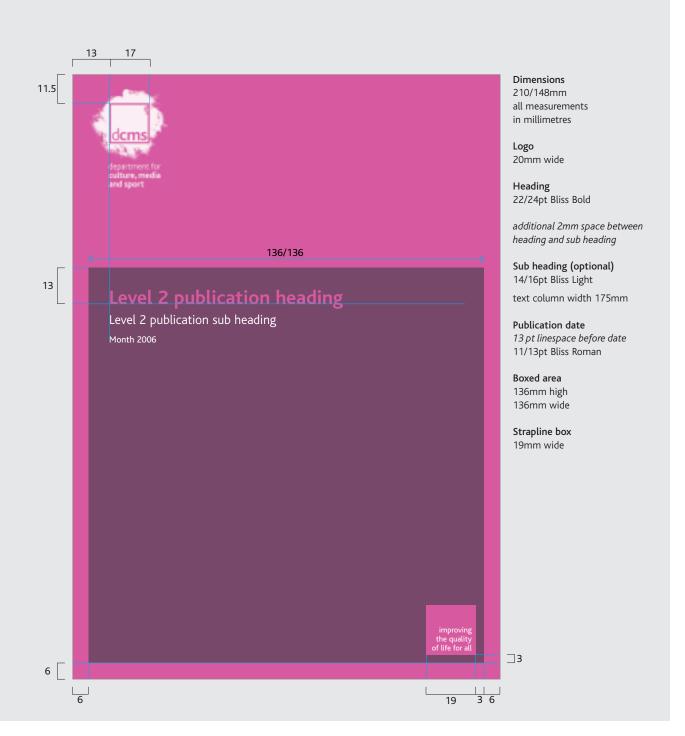
Duotone or single colour images that are appropriate to the publication subject and utilise the DCMS colour palette can also be placed inside the boxed area. Always ensure the copy is legible against the background image.

#### Duotone and single colour image examples









## publications level 2

## A4 mission statement

Our mission statement appears prominently on the inside front cover (or first page) of every publication we produce.

On all level 2 publications the mission statement is typeset in a consistent size, font and position.

The mission statement appears in any of the DCMS colours or white reversed out of a colour background. The DCMS colour combinations can also be used. Always ensure the copy is legible against the background colour.

#### Mission statement colourway examples





48 Our aim is to improve the quality of life for all through cultural and sporting activities, support the pursuit of excellence, and champion the tourism, creative and leisure industries.

#### Dimensions

297/210mm all measurements in millimetres

#### Mission statement

20/24pt Bliss Light

The mission statement must be typeset, with the correct linebreaks, as shown

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## level 2 A5 mission statement

Our mission statement appears prominently on the inside front cover (or first page) of every publication we produce.

On all level 2 publications the mission statement is typeset in a consistent size, font and position.

The mission statement appears in any of the DCMS colours or white reversed out of a colour background. The DCMS colour combinations can also be used. Always ensure the copy is legible against the background colour.

Mission statement colourway examples

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Our aim is to improve the quality of life for all through cultural and sporting activities, support the pursuit of excellence, and champion the tourism, creative and letions industries.

our aim is to improve the quality of life for all hrough cultural and sporting activities, support the ursuit of excellence, and champion the tourism, reative and leisure industries. 34

Dimensions

210/148mm all measurements in millimetres

Mission statement

14/17pt Bliss Light

The mission statement must be typeset, with the correct linebreaks, as shown

## publications

## level 2

### A4 self-cover mission statement

On self cover publications, where space is restricted, the mission statement can appear on the back cover. It is set at the base of the page, ranged right.

The mission statement appears in any of the DCMS colours or white reversed out of a colour background. Always ensure the copy is legible against the background colour.

Mission statement colourway examples







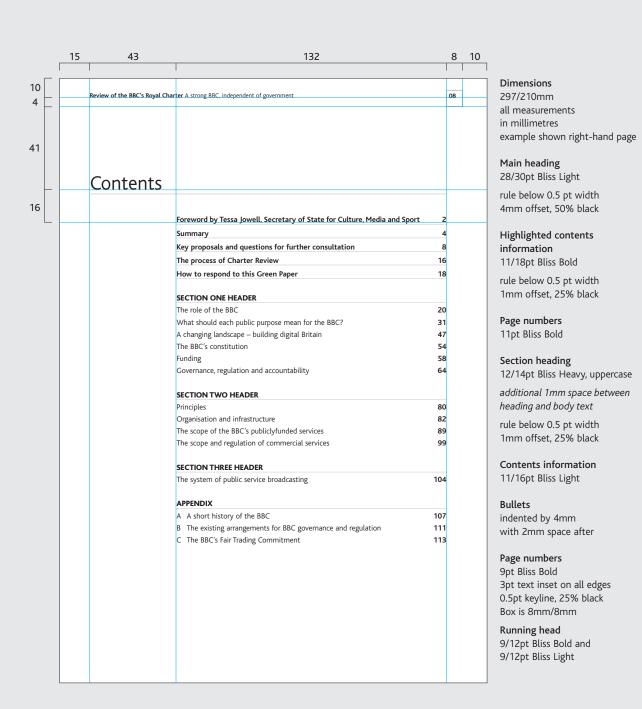


# publications level 2 A4 contents

Level 2 publication contents are designed to a set grid structure and are printed in a single colour, black. (In certain circumstances text pages can be two colour).

All the brand elements, positions and dimensions must be consistently applied to achieve clear and effective communications.

Main headings and introductory headings are set in upper and lowercase, section headings should be set in uppercase.

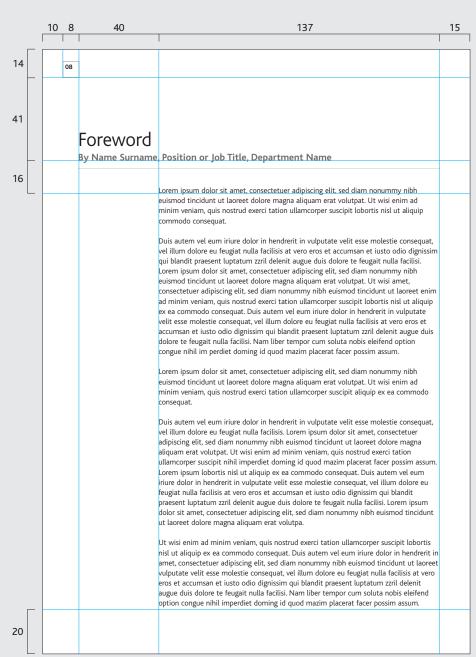


# publications level 2 A4 foreword

Level 2 publication forewords are designed to a set grid structure and are printed in a single colour.

All the brand elements, positions and dimensions must be consistently applied to achieve clear and effective communications.

Main headings, sub headings and body copy is set in upper and lowercase.



#### Dimensions

297/210mm all measurements in millimetres and points example shown left-hand page

#### Main heading

28/30pt Bliss Light

#### Sub heading (optional) 14/20pt Bliss Bold 70% tint

rule below 0.5pt width 4mm offset, 50% black

#### Body copy

11/16pt Bliss Light
8pt paragraph spacing

#### Page numbers

9pt Bliss Bold 3pt text inset on all edges 0.5pt keyline, 25% black Box is 8mm/8mm

## publications

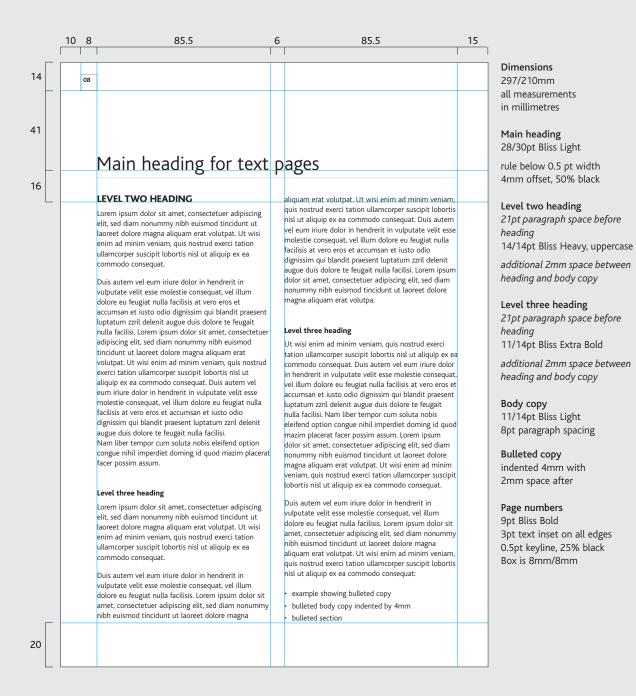
level 2

## A4 text spread left-hand page

Level 2 publication text spreads are designed to a set grid structure and are printed in a single colour, black. (In certain circumstances text pages can be two colour).

All the brand elements, positions and dimensions must be consistently applied to achieve clear and effective communications.

Main headings and level three headings are set in upper and lowercase, level two headings should be set in uppercase.



## publications

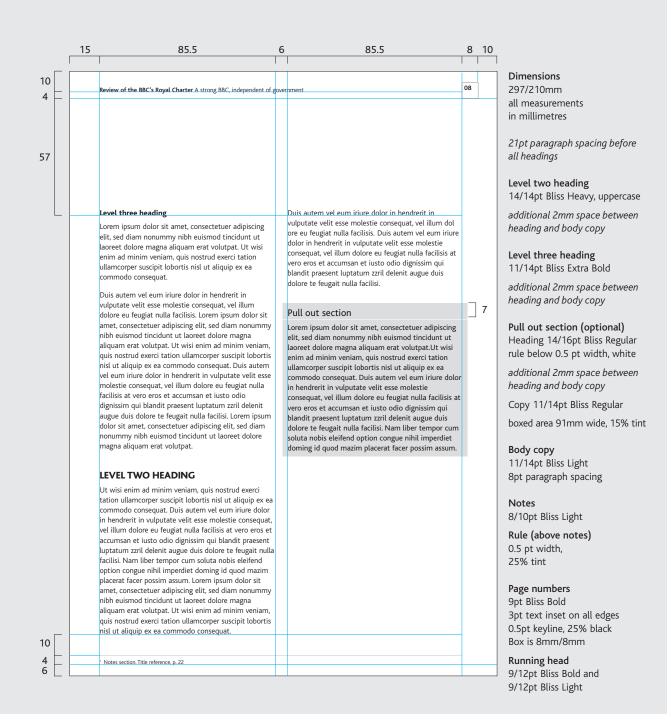
level 2

## A4 text spread right-hand page

Level 2 publication text spreads are designed to a set grid structure and are printed in a single colour, black. (In certain circumstances text pages can be two colour).

All the brand elements, positions and dimensions must be consistently applied to achieve clear and effective communications.

Main headings and level three headings are set in upper and lowercase, level two headings should be set in uppercase.



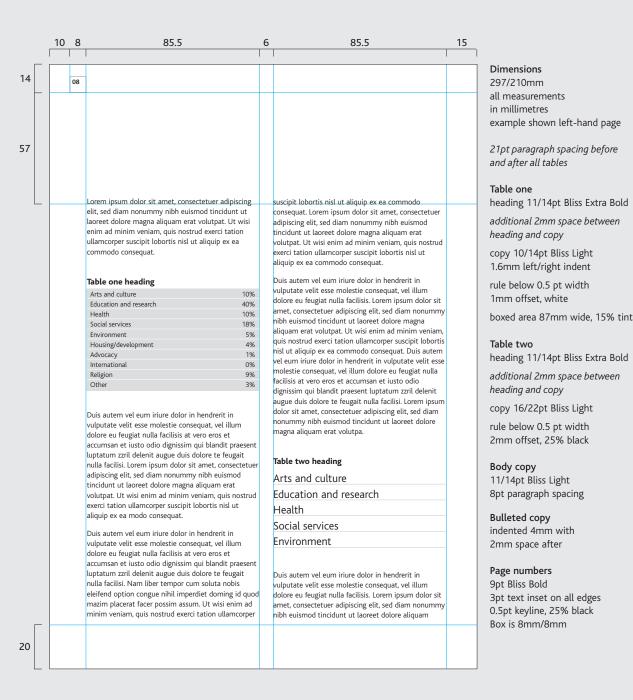
# publications level 2 A4 text tables

Level 2 publication tables are designed to a set grid structure and are printed in a single colour, black. (In certain circumstances text pages can be two colour).

All the brand elements, positions and dimensions must be consistently applied to achieve clear and effective communications.

Tables can be used to deliver complex information in a simplified manner. Select the most appropriate table for the information you need to deliver. Inappropriate and complicated information graphics can lead to confusion and misunderstanding.

Table headings are set in upper and lowercase.



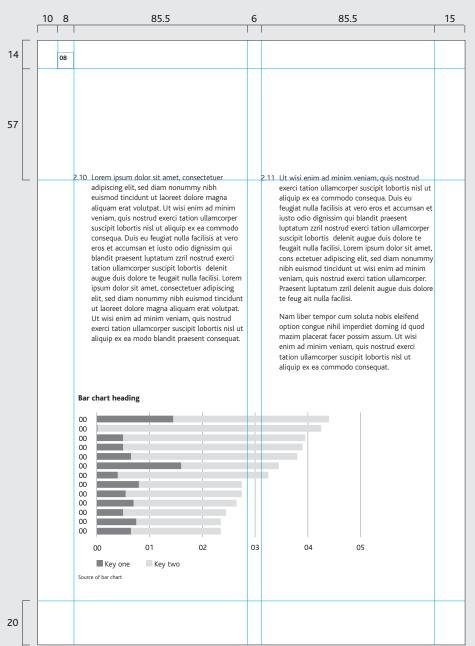
## publications level 2 A4 text charts

Level 2 publication charts are designed to a set grid structure and are printed in a single colour, black. (In certain circumstances text pages can be two colour).

All the brand elements, positions and dimensions must be consistently applied to achieve clear and effective communications.

Charts can be used to deliver complex information in a simplified manner. Select the most appropriate chart for the information you need to deliver. Inappropriate and complicated information graphics can lead to confusion and misunderstanding.

Chart headings are set in upper and lowercase.



#### Dimensions

297/210mm all measurements in millimetres example shown left-hand page

21pt paragraph spacing before and after all charts

#### Bar chart (optional)

11/14pt Bliss Extra Bold

additional 2mm space between heading and chart information chart copy 11/14pt Bliss Light

source 8/10pt Bliss Light

#### Indented body text

11/14pt Bliss Light 8pt paragraph spacing 9mm indent

#### Page numbers

9pt Bliss Bold 3pt text inset on all edges 0.5pt keyline, 25% black Box is 8mm/8mm

# **publications** level 2 imprint

The DCMS imprint appears in a consistent size and position on the inside back cover of every publication.

The imprint must contain the following information:

We can also provide documents to meet the specific requirements of people with disabilities. Please call 020 7211 6200 or email enquiries@culture.gov.uk

Department for Culture, Media and Sport Printed in the UK on recycled paper ©Crown Copyright Date PP reference Number of copies

The imprint appears in any of the DCMS colours or black. It can also appear white reversed out of a colour.



White imprint on a colour background

Dimensions
297/210mm
or 210/148mm
all measurements
in millimetres

Imprint
11/13pt Bliss Roman

We can also provide documents to meet the specific requirements of people with disabilities. Please call 020 7211 6200 or email enquiries@culture.gov.uk

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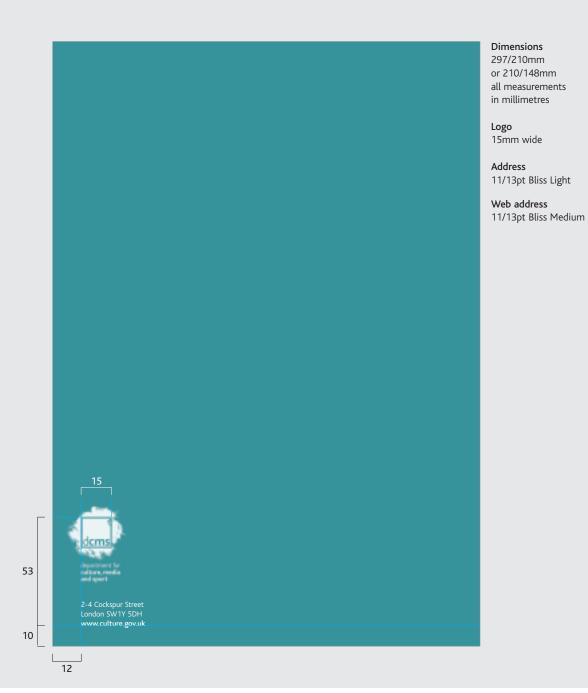
## publications level 2 back cover

The DCMS outer back cover must always feature the logo, address and website. They appear in a consistent size and position on every publication.

The logo and contact details can appear in any of the DCMS colours or white reversed out of a colour background. The logo must always appear in the same colour as the address and website

Logo and contact detail examples



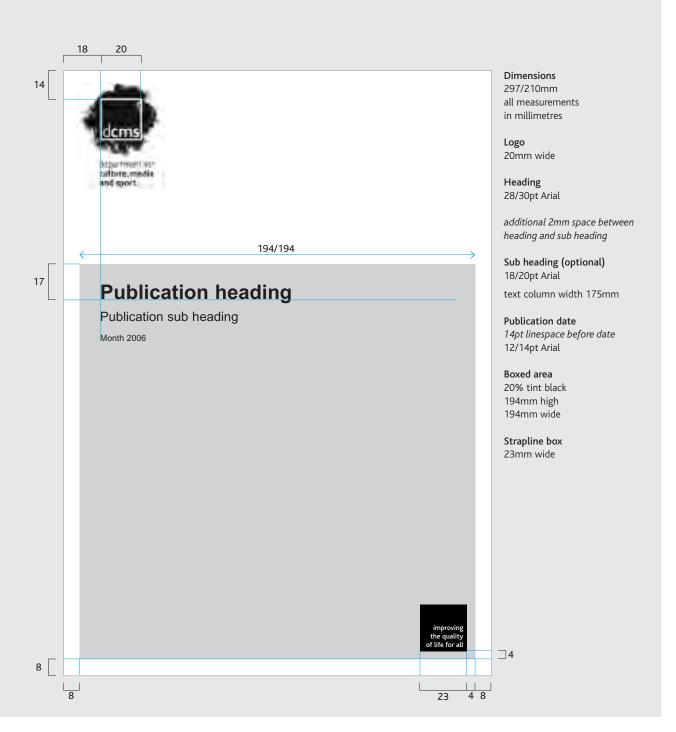


## A4 covers

Publications produced in Microsoft Word are designed to a set grid structure and are printed in single colour, black.

A template must be used and all information should be consistent.

Arial is used instead of Bliss to ensure compatibility when accessed by outside organisations.



## **publications**Word document

## Word document A4 mission statement

Our mission statement appears prominently on the inside front cover (or first page) of every publication we produce.

Publications produced in Microsoft Word are designed to a set grid structure and are printed in single colour, black.

A template must be used and all information should be consistent.

Arial is used instead of Bliss to ensure compatibility when accessed by outside organisations.



Dimensions 297/210mm all measurements in millimetres

Mission statement 20/24pt Arial

The mission statement must be typeset, with the correct linebreaks, as shown

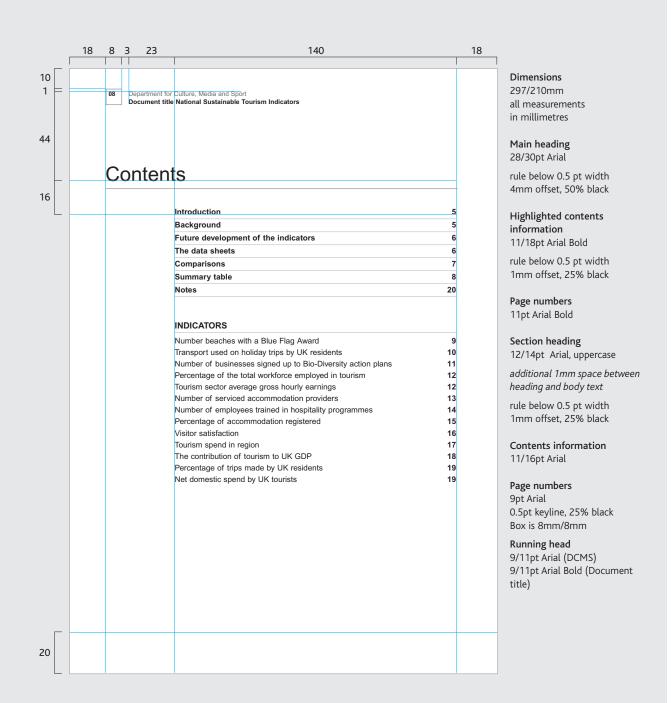
Running head 9/11pt Arial (DCMS) 9/11pt Arial Bold (Document title)

## **publications**Word documents A4 contents

Publications produced in Microsoft Word are designed to a set grid structure and are printed in single colour, black.

A template must be used and all information should be consistent.

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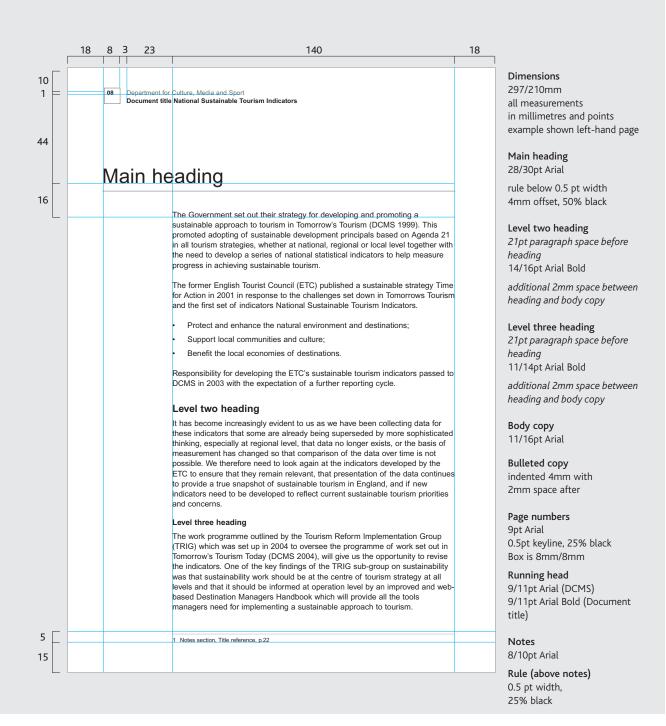


## publications Word documents text spread

Publications produced in Microsoft Word are designed to a set grid structure and are printed in single colour, black.

A template must be used and all information should be consistent.

Arial is used instead of Bliss to ensure compatibility when accessed by outside organisations.



## publications level 2

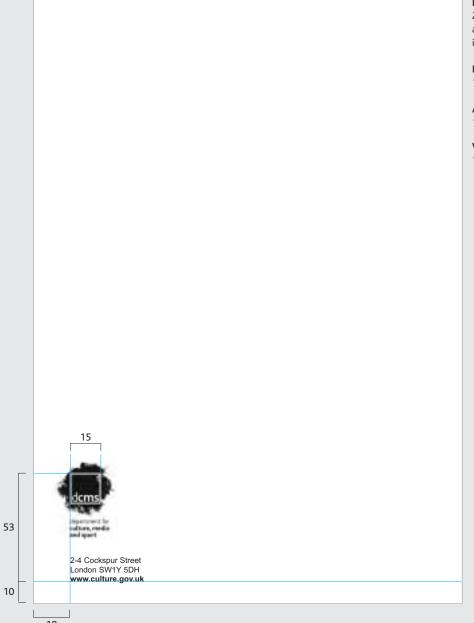
### level 2 back cover

The DCMS back cover must always feature the logo, address and website. They appear in a consistent size and position on every publication format.

Publications produced in Microsoft Word are designed to a set grid structure and are printed in single colour, black.

A template must be used and all information should be consistent.

Arial is used instead of Bliss to ensure compatibility when accessed by outside organisations.



Dimensions 297/210mm

all measurements in millimetres

Logo

15mm wide

Address 11/13pt Arial

Web address 11/13pt Arial Bold

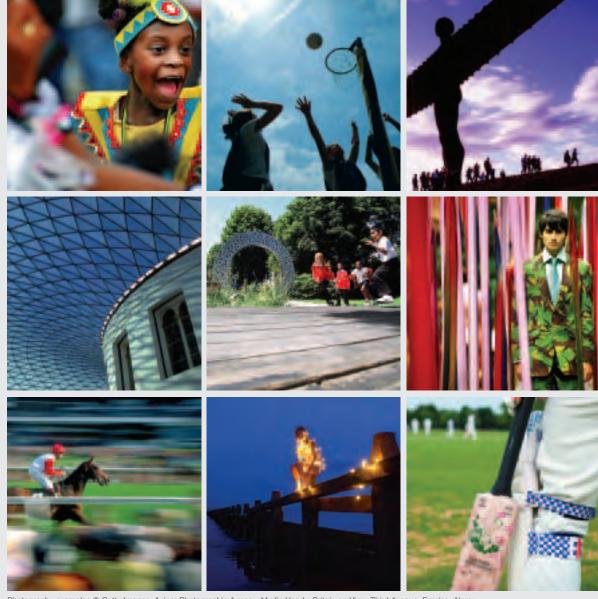
## images

Photography is a powerful and dynamic tool. It can communicate the diversity, energy and personality of what we do. A great photo, used well, can tell a story far better than words.

Photography should convey emotions and atmosphere. It should encapsulate ideas about growth, innovation, creativity and achievement. Look beyond the straightforward and typical to find a more inspirational perspective. Consider detail or unusual angles to create effective communication and engage the audience.

Images can be reproduced in full colour, duotone or black and white.

Only use images that are relevant and add value. Ensure the content does not offend or alienate. Avoid clichés, racial and gender stereotyping. Images must be print quality, 300dpi.



Photography examples @ Getty Images, Axiom Photographic Agency, Merlin Hendy, Britain on View, Third Avenue, Empics, Alamy

## accessible pdf files

#### 1. Start with an accessible document.

The easiest way to create an accessible PDF document is to start with an accessible text document. Make sure your Word document is formatted correctly with headers, image tags etc.

To create accessible PDF documents you must have a full copy of Adobe Acrobat Professional version 6+.

#### 2. Open the PDF document in Adobe Acrobat:

- (a) make sure the document is tagged. Go to: Advanced > Accessibility > Add tags to document (this may have already been done in another application if so, click OK).
- (b) Complete the Metadata information. Go to: File > Document Properties. Under the Descriptions tab. Enter a title, author and complete other fields as necessary. (The author should be DCMS rather than an individual if the document is going outside DCMS). Under Advanced tab. Set the language to English.
- (c) Set the tab order. Click the pages tag. Select all pages of the document. Right click and select Open Page Properties. Under tab order select the option for 'use document structure'.
- (d) Then do a full check for accessibility. Go to: Advanced > Accessibility > Full Check. Select 'Start Checking'. This will show any accessibility problems with the document. Look out for problems with language, eg abbreviations or figures (images) without alt tags.

#### 3. Accessibility fixes:

Add alt tags to images. Select View > Navigation Tabs > Tags. Locate figure tags within the structure tree and select Options > Properties. Then complete the description in Alternate Text field.

It can be helpful to keep the **Highlight Content** function switched on in **Options**, then you can see the image highlighted in the document.

Then, run the **Full Check** again to ensure problems are fixed. And **Save** your document.

#### 4. Use bookmarks

If your document is quite long, eg over 8 pages consider using bookmarks. With the bookmark tab open. Go to the page you want to jump to. Select **Options > New bookmark**. Name the bookmark. Continue inserting useful bookmarks through the document and delete any that aren't useful. When you are finished select **Options > Wrap Long Bookmarks**. Go to **File > Document Properties** and select **Initial View**. Finally in the **Documents Options panel**, under **Show** select **Bookmarks Panel and Page** 

#### 5. Optimise for the web

Finally you can reduce the size of your document. There are two ways to do this.

- (1) File > Save As. Save the document with the same name to overwrite the original with your changes. This is the most efficient method.
- (2) File > Reduce File Size. Choose the option for 'Acrobat 5 or later' This method delivers the highest compression. If you use this method always save the file as a different document to check that the quality has not been unacceptably degraded. If it has return to your original document and use the Save As method.

## other items



## **PowerPoint** title slide

A DCMS PowerPoint template has been produced and should be used for all presentations. Detailed separate guidelines are also available, these have been produced to help you plan your presentation and produce consistently branded slides.

The template contains styles for title, text, chart and image pages.



## Bar chart heading Sub-heading 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 Department for Culture, Media and Sport Improving the quality of life for all

#### Heading

#### Sub-heading

Enhancing access to a fuller cultural and sporting life for children and young people and giving them the opportunity to develop their talents to the full and to engage in healthy recreation

#### Sub-heading

Increasing and widening the impact of culture and sport, to enrich individual lives, strengthen communities and improve the places where people live

Department for Culture, Media and Sport Improving the quality of life for all

#### Text slide heading

Our aim is to improve the quality of life for all through cultural and sporting activities, support the pursuit of excellence, and champion the tourism, creative and leisure industries.



Department for Culture, Media and Sport Improving the quality of life for all

## **PowerPoint** title slide

Title slides use a solid dark background from the DCMS colour palette with a white logo. A white background with a colour logo is also available.

Recommended background colours:

Pantone 279 R87 G138 B214

Pantone 308 R0 G94 B125

Pantone 5125 R112 G64 B94

Text highlight colour and strapline box:

Pantone 130 R230 G176 B18 or Pantone 165 R245 G102 B0

Heading 40-50pt Arial

Sub-heading (if applicable) 24pt Arial

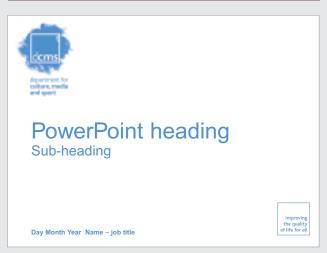
Date/name/job title 18pt Arial Bold, white

Bliss can also be used for internal presentations. However, Bliss and Arial must not be used together in a presentation.









## **PowerPoint**

### text slide

Text slides use a white background. The maximum amount of body text should not exceed 80 words. Bullet points are indented by 5mm.

Heading sub-heading and bullet point colour:

Pantone 279 R87 G138 B214

DCMS sign-off:

Pantone 279 R87 G138 B214

Strapline:

Pantone 165 R245 G102 B0

Heading 40pt Arial

Sub-heading (if applicable) 24pt Arial

Body copy 24pt Arial

DCMS sign-off and strapline 12pt Arial

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#### Heading

#### Sub-heading

Enhancing access to a fuller cultural and sporting life for children and young people and giving them the opportunity to develop their talents to the full and to engage in healthy recreation

#### Sub-heading

Increasing and widening the impact of culture and sport, to enrich individual lives, strengthen communities and improve the places where people live

Department for Culture, Media and Sport Improving the quality of life for all

#### Heading

#### Sub-heading

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Department for Culture, Media and Sport Improving the quality of life for all

#### Heading

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Department for Culture, Media and Sport Improving the quality of life for all

#### Heading

- · Bullet point copy set in Bliss twenty four point
- Indents are five millimetres from the edge of the text box
- · Electronic templates are available
- · Bullet point copy set in Bliss twenty four point
- Style for bullet point copy

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### **PowerPoint** charts and tables

Chart slides and tables can be used to deliver complex information in a simplified manner.

Select the most appropriate chart or table for the information you need to deliver. Inappropriate and complicated information graphics can lead to confusion and misunderstanding. Colours and tints from the DCMS colour palette can be used to aid legibility and understanding. The recommended minimum copy size for chart information is 11 point.

Heading and sub-heading colour:

Pantone 279 R87 G138 B214

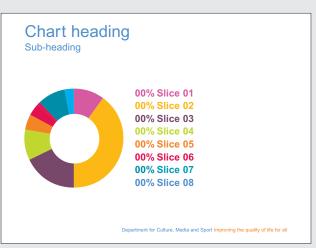
Heading 40pt Arial

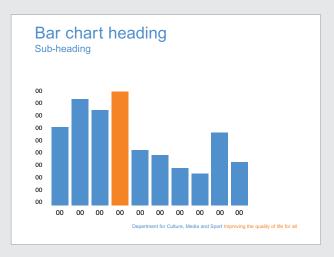
Sub-heading 30pt Arial

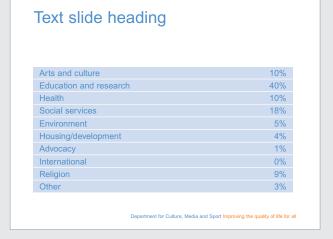
Chart information 11-24pt Arial Regular/Bold

Bliss can also be used for internal presentations. However, Bliss and Arial must not be used together in a presentation.









## **PowerPoint** photography

Photographs should appear in full colour. The style and content of photographs should reflect the diverse work of the Department and be vibrant, inspirational and engaging.

Only use images that are relevant and add value. Ensure image content does not offend, patronise or alienate. Avoid clichés, racial and gender stereotyping. Clip-art should be avoided.

Images can be used full bleed (full page), provided the copy is legible. The examples below illustrate how text and images can work together.

Images can be sourced from the DCMS image library. Alternative images must not be used without prior permission from the provider.

#### Text slide heading

- · Bullet point copy set in Bliss
- Indents are five millimetres from the edge of the text box
- Use the electronic template
- · Bliss twenty four point
- · Style for bullet point copy



Department for Culture, Media and Sport Improving the quality of life for all

#### Text slide heading

"Quotation about the amazing positive results that sport funding has achieved and how it has risen from £118 million in 2004-05 to over £155 million in 2007-08"





Department for Culture, Media and Sport Improving the quality of life for all

#### Text slide heading

Our aim is to improve the quality of life for all through cultural and sporting activities, support the pursuit of excellence, and champion the tourism, creative and leisure industries.



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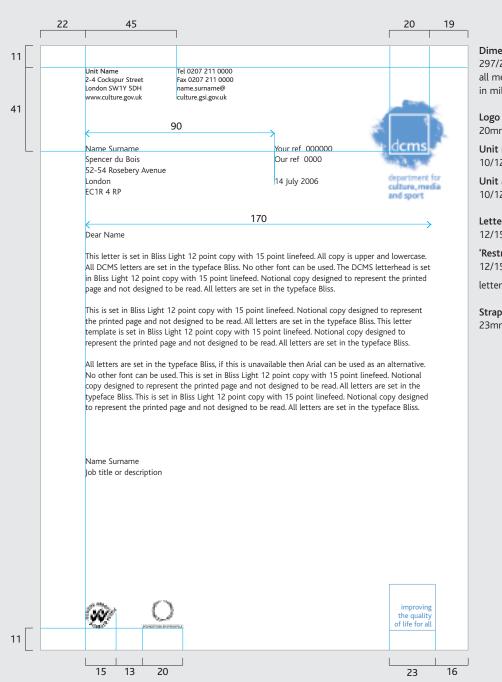


### letterhead

All DCMS letterheads are consistently designed.

The logo and strapline box are pre-printed in a single DCMS colour. All other information prints black.

A template must be used for the letter, address, customised contact details and accreditation logos. The letter is set in upper and lowercase, ranged left, ragged right.



#### Dimensions

297/210mm all measurements in millimetres

20mm wide

#### Unit name

10/12pt Bliss Medium

#### Unit address

10/12pt Bliss Roman

#### Letter template

12/15pt Bliss Light

#### 'Restricted' heading (optional)

12/15pt Bliss Bold

letter template width 170mm

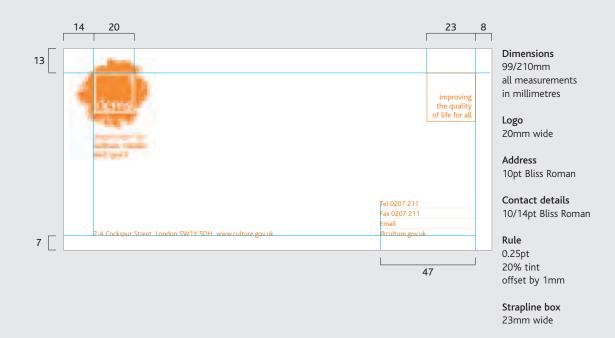
#### Strapline box

23mm wide

## compliment slip

All DCMS compliment slips are consistently designed.

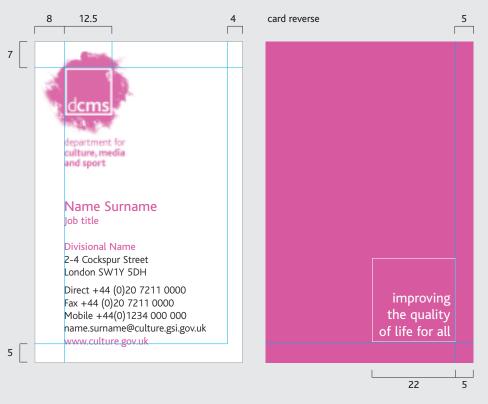
They are printed in a selection of DCMS colours. The contact details can be customised.



### business card

All DCMS business cards are consistently designed.

All cards are printed in two colours on the front and a single colour on the reverse. They are available in a selection of DCMS colours.



#### Dimensions

85/55mm all measurements

in millimetres

#### Logo

12.5mm wide

#### Name

11/13pt Bliss Roman prints colour

#### Job title

8/10pt Bliss Roman prints colour

10pt space between job title and divisional name

#### Divisional name

8/9.5pt Bliss Roman prints colour

#### Address

8/9.5pt Bliss Light prints black

4pt space between address and contact details

#### Contact details

8/9.5pt Bliss Light prints black

#### Web address

8/9.5pt Bliss Roman prints colour

all contact information works upwards from the baseline

#### Strapline box

22mm wide



All DCMS fax templates are consistently designed.

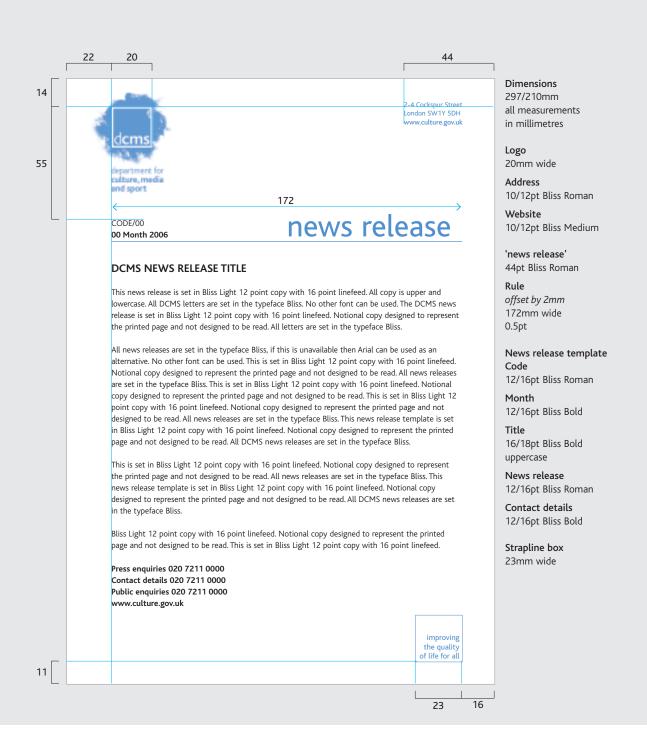
A template must be used. The fax is set in upper and lowercase, ranged left, ragged right.



### news release

All DCMS news release templates are consistently designed.

A template must be used. The news release is set in upper and lowercase, ranged left, ragged right.



### website

The website is a vital tool for communicating with the Department's stakeholders and audiences. It is the 24-hour window in to DCMS and primary vehicle for promoting the work that we do.

Our homepage divides into broad communication themes to enable immediate access to our key initiatives and successes. These themed areas facilitate greater understanding about what DCMS does, and how and where we add value by "improving the quality of life for all".

The website utilises the core elements of the DCMS brand. The colours are used throughout the site to create interest. The homepage design echoes the Department's logo with its creative use of squares for the broad communication areas. The site also reflects the look and feel achieved by DCMS offline publications using strong and vibrant images to convey a sense of dynamism without making the site heavy on the eye.

All DCMS campaign websites or micro-sites should look as if they belong to the same 'family', echoing the look and feel of the DCMS site, using the DCMS logo positioned left in conjunction with the DCMS colour palette throughout.

Websites should reflect only the DCMS brand and not have/become a brand in their own right unless express permission has been received from the e-communications manager.

Where co-branding is necessary the logo exclusion zone must be observed or a separate page for partners provided. The minimum size for the logo is 98 x 126 pixels. It should be always be surrounded by an area of clear space.

Bliss or Clarendon can be used selectively as a design feature but Arial is the Department's default web typeface. The type should be no less than 11pt for body copy.

Websites should be built to e-Government and W3C AA accessibility guideline standards.



## website home page

**Dark Blue** Ref: 003366 R0 G51 B102

Red Ref: F13235 R241 G50 B53

**Orange** Ref: DF6804 R223 G104 B4 **Grey/Green**Ref: 5C838D
R92 G131 B141

**Green** Ref: 00A387 R0 G163 B135 **Sky Blue**Ref: 0A83DF
R10 G131 B223

Pink Ref: D21B7A R210 G27 B122

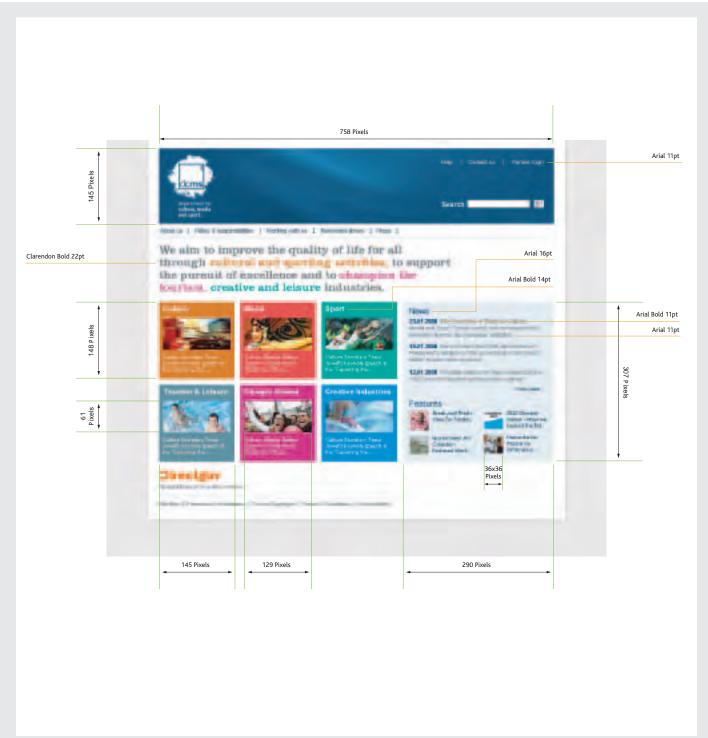
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Dark Grey Ref: 636363 R99 G99 B99

Putty Ref: ECE7E3 R236 G231 B227

Purple Ref: 70405E R112 G64 B94

Lime Green Ref: CCFF33 R204 G255 B51



## website about us

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Dark Grey Ref: 636363 R99 G99 B99

Putty Ref: ECE7E3 R236 G231 B227

Purple Ref: 70405E R112 G64 B94

Lime Green Ref: CCFF33 R204 G255 B51



## website sport

**Dark Blue** Ref: 003366 R0 G51 B102

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R92 G131 B141

**Green** Ref: 00A387 R0 G163 B135 **Sky Blue**Ref: 0A83DF
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## website policy & responsibilities

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Putty Ref: ECE7E3 R236 G231 B227

Purple Ref: 70405E R112 G64 B94

Lime Green Ref: CCFF33 R204 G255 B51



## website press

**Dark Blue** Ref: 003366 R0 G51 B102

Ref: F13235 R241 G50 B53

Orange Ref: DF6804 R223 G104 B4 **Grey/Green** Ref: 5C838D R92 G131 B141

**Green** Ref: 00A387 R0 G163 B135 **Sky Blue**Ref: 0A83DF
R10 G131 B223

Pink Ref: D21B7A R210 G27 B122

Light Blue Ref: E3F0F4 R227 G240 B244

Dark Grey Ref: 636363 R99 G99 B99

Putty Ref: ECE7E3 R236 G231 B227

Purple Ref: 70405E R112 G64 B94 Lime Green Ref: CCFF33 R204 G255 B51



19mm wide

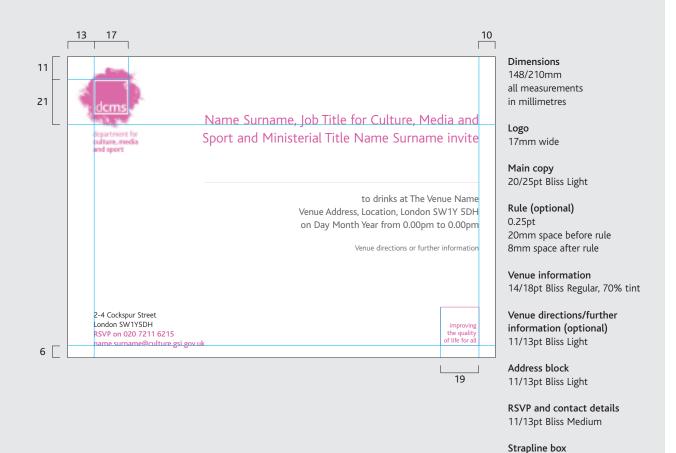
## invitations

A5

Invitations are designed to a set grid structure and are printed in two colour, black and a colour from the DCMS palette.

All the brand elements, positions and dimensions must be consistently applied to achieve clear and effective communications.

For certain launch events when a higher level of design impact is required, appropriate photography, background colour and illustration can be used.



13.5mm wide

### invitations

**A6** 

Invitations are designed to a set grid structure and are printed in two colour, black and a colour from the DCMS palette.

All the brand elements, positions and dimensions must be consistently applied to achieve clear and effective communications.

For certain launch events when a higher level of design impact is required, appropriate photography, background colour and illustration can be used.



### two column

Recruitment adverts are designed to a set grid structure and are printed in a single colour. Since the requirements of individual advertisements differ it is not practical to establish detailed specifications. However, the examples on this and following page show the basic design principles, alignment and type specifications.

All the brand elements, positions and dimensions must be consistently applied to achieve clear and effective communications.

Attention to detail must be observed when typesetting adverts in order to produce well-balanced pages. It is also the editor's role to ensure the copy is written to fit.

Copy is set in upper and lowercase, ranged left and ragged right.



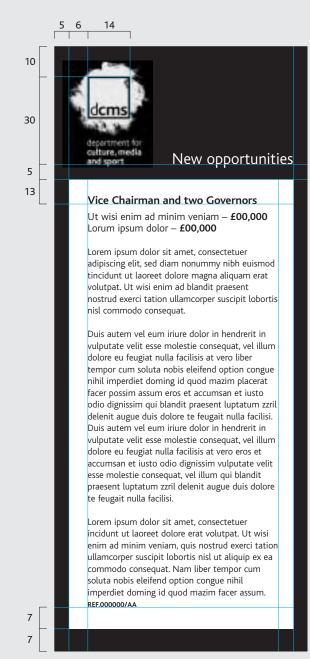
## recruitment adverts single column

Recruitment adverts are designed to a set grid structure and are printed in a single colour. Since the requirements of individual advertisements differ it is not practical to establish detailed specifications. However, the examples on this and following page show the basic design principles, alignment and type specifications.

All the brand elements, positions and dimensions must be consistently applied to achieve clear and effective communications.

Attention to detail must be observed when typesetting adverts in order to produce well-balanced pages. It is also the editor's role to ensure the copy is written to fit.

Copy is set in upper and lowercase, ranged left and ragged right.



#### Dimensions

based on 200/84mm all measurements in millimetres

#### Logo

14mm wide

#### Main heading

15/17pt Bliss Light, right aligned

#### Job title

11/13pt Bliss Bold

#### Sub title

10/12pt Bliss Light

additional 1mm space between heading and body text

#### Body text

9/11pt Bliss Light

#### Reference number

7/11pt Bliss Bold, Uppercase

#### Further information

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## exhibitions

The DCMS brand must be consistently applied to all exhibition and conference items.

The logo should always appear in the top left-hand corner of the application (wherever possible) and reproduced from a master reference. Bliss is the primary font, Clarendon is the supporting font. The DCMS colour palette must be used.

The strapline box should also appear and must be reproduced from a master reference. It is designed to interact with the individual design of each application and create a visual balance with the logo.

It is important that the DCMS colours are matched accurately on all materials, finishes and surfaces, irrespective of the manufacturing process or printing technique. It must always be ensured that the printer achieves an accurate colour match.







## merchandising

Certain events, launches and conferences will require the DCMS brand to appear on promotional items. From clothing to conference name badges, promotional merchandise to signage.

These are all high profile and important applications and the elements of the DCMS brand should be consistently applied.

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Materials and items that complement rather than conflict with the brand should be considered when sourcing promotional items. Contemporary, environmental, ethically sourced, good quality materials are recommended.

