

Gill Thewlis BA(hons) MBA FRSA

Gill is an executive coach, business mentor and consultant of 6 years standing. She started her professional career in 1980, as a commercial banker in the City of London. Whilst working for Scandinavian Bank, Prudential Bache and Lloyds Bank she became skilled in relationship management and business development across a wide range of industrial sectors. Her specialism was international trade finance in which she created bespoke financing transactions for customers worldwide and operated in both primary and secondary markets.



In 1991, following an MBA at Warwick Business School Gill took an internal consultancy role with the London Stock Exchange, where she worked on a number of projects to develop a strategy for the international equity markets in London. She went on to work on international policy and subsequently was responsible for information product developments and enhancements; then the management of commercial relationships with a number of the largest securities houses in the City of London.

Gill moved to Yorkshire in 1995, when she joined Halifax Building Society at a senior level and was responsible for the creation of a new full service marketing function within the Treasury Division. Halifax plc's conversion to bank status required delivery of several significant integrated communication programmes for worldwide audiences, and finally the management of a large-scale culture change programme of regulatory significance, reporting to the Board.

In 2000, Gill left Halifax plc to pursue a long held aspiration to return to university and study design. She graduated with a 1st from the University of Leeds in July 2003, and then established herself as a full-time coach and consultant. She has a Post Graduate Diploma in Coaching and Mentoring from Oxford Brookes University and brings the following qualities to her engagements;

- Strong commercial background and record of achievement in the commercial world
- Broad understanding of business and organisations, with a sound research and academic base
- Experience of working at board and senior levels in large and highly structured organisations
- High level of creativity
- Breadth of functional experience and reference to a range of industries and business environments, including recent experience of working with clients in the public sector.