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Local Institute Case Study

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What drove you to join your Local Institute?

I first heard about my local institute through one of the amazing talks that they've been putting on for years. I went along, I really enjoyed it and I learned that they did regular events for networking as well.

I was inspired to get more involved with the council when I was looking to progress with my career, I had started my qualifications and was looking for a way to move on to a different role.

How does being a member of your Local Institute help advance your career?

Connecting with other professionals has helped me to build confidence, because it's allowed me to step outside of the box that I'm in within my defined role when I'm working. It's given me the confidence to make new connections and to try different things.

How does your Local Institute support you?

I've received a lot of support during challenging times from the CII and my local institute. I was going through a very difficult stage in my life. I lost my daughter to meningitis. And the qualifications themselves gave me a focus. It was really important for my wellbeing and being a part of that network and having the local institute members around me was really, really helpful.

How does your Local Institute inspire you, and help you inspire others?

Being a member of my local institute has inspired me because it showed me that insurance is a force for good, and it's such an active part of our whole community.

It's led me to meet new friends, and to learn new things - I'm constantly learning in my role in the local institute. And it's rewarding being able to pass that on to other people as well and give them that joy, too.

How would you like to shape the future of insurance?

I would like to shape the future of insurance by making it a career choice, not a last resort. And I see different ways of doing that, for example by encouraging young people to get involved with insurance because of the opportunities to develop for AI, and all of the tech roles that are involved with our industry.

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