

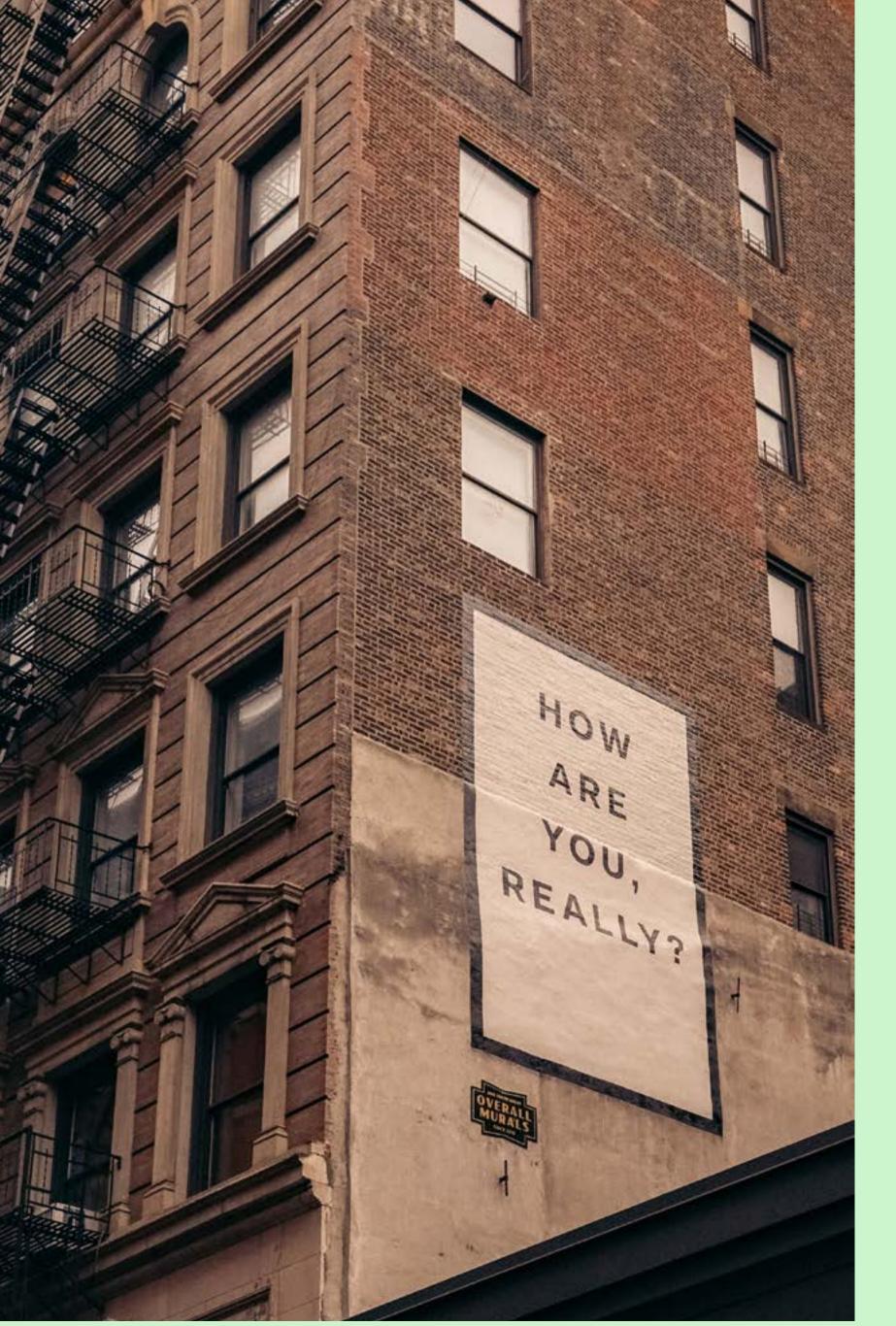
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Introduction

Employee Wellbeing is one of the most important topics in today's corporate world. It directly affects productivity, engagement, absenteeism, retention, satisfaction and employer branding.

In addition, the pandemic has given employers increased visibility into the life struggles of their employees and has shifted the focus from just organizational issues to individual human life experiences. Business leaders now view wellbeing not just as an employee benefit but as an opportunity to support employees in all aspects of their personal and work lives. For employers to understand how to best support their employees, we need to shed light on the problems and opportunities relating to wellbeing for a company's most precious asset: its people.

About the survey

We wanted to find out how important wellbeing is to employees. What triggers stress or negative wellbeing and how can employers optimize their operations to empower their workers to feel physically and mentally healthy? To help enlighten us we examined the following areas of interest to get a snapshot into different aspects of employe wellbeing:

- What are the main causes of employee stress and lack of positive wellbeing?
- 2 How can employees feel more engaged and connected to the company, as a result of wellbeing initiatives?
- How is workplace satisfaction impacted by physical, emotional, environmental, social and other areas of wellbeing?

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We get people excited about coming to work so businesses can thrive.

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Global Insights

Our survey sought answers to a range of wellbeing related questions from 2,000 employed employees working either hybrid or full time from the office.

Respondents, aged between 21 and 59, represented all genders and were based in different company sizes and industries across the UK, US, Germany, Netherlands, Poland, Romania and Israel.

The survey was conducted in 2023 by OnePoll, an independent research firm, in collaboration with Mindspace.

The Current State Of Wellbeing

With 2 in every 3 people reporting a negative wellbeing at work, the corporate world is experiencing a mental health crisis.

Worryingly, a quarter feel negative wellbeing **ALL OR MOST OF THE TIME.**

EXPERIENCE NEGATIVE WELLBEING AT WORK



25% All Or Most Of The Time



44%Sometimes

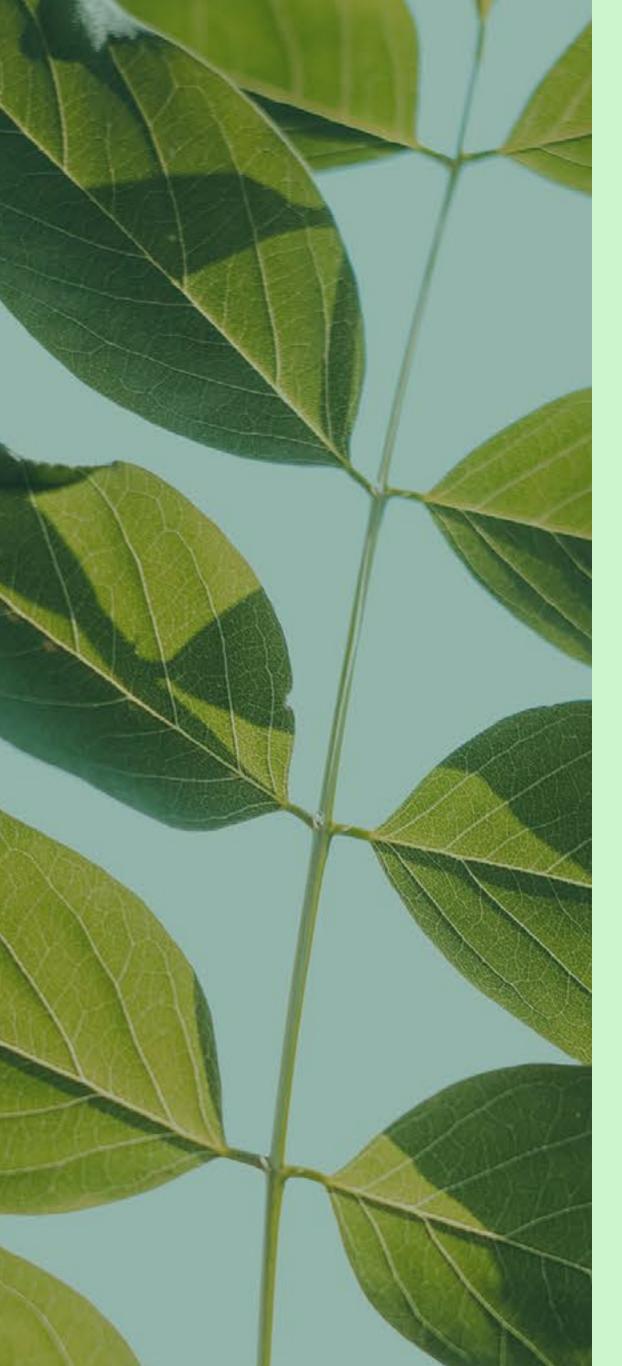


26% Rarely



0%

Never



The Manifestation

So while it's clear that the majority feel a lack of wellbeing while at work - we were curious about the kind of emotions connected to that.



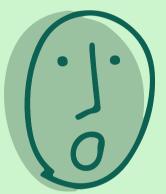
42%
Frustration



39% Exhaustion

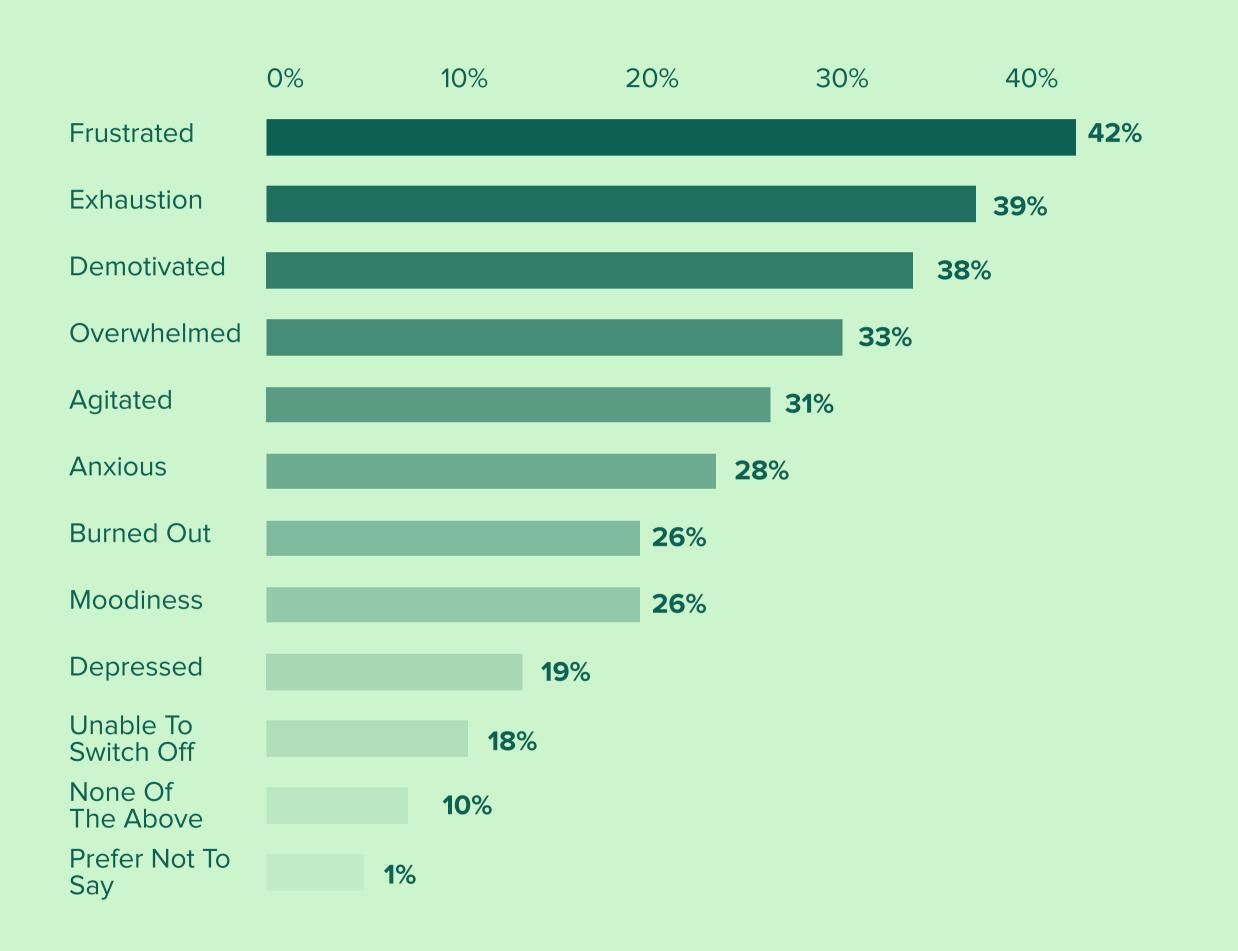


38% Demotivated



33%

If we translate this insight, we formulate a very unhealthy picture of work life. The data shows that no company, team, gender or age-group are immune to feeling negative wellbeing. In every organization there will be some team members feeling frustrated, exhausted and overwhelmed.







Employee Engagement

Healthy and motivated employees are the foundation for a successful business. It's a simple formula - people who thrive at the workplace are more productive, engaged and loyal.

With negative wellbeing rife in the workplace, we explored the areas of employee behavior that were impacted the most.



50%

Motivation

88

48%
Productivity



28%

Creativity



25%

Desire To Stay
At The Company

The above behaviors all create the fertile conditions for the phenomenon known as quiet quitting. This is where employees quietly disengage by working less overtime, contributing less in meetings and refusing to take on extra tasks. The rising trend of quiet quitting generally doesn't refer to the underperforming employees, but more worryingly, the gradual disengagement of disheartened high performers. It's this specific segment of talent that requires the greatest time and cost to attract, leading to issues with retention that cause bottom line losses, damage to company culture and trillions of dollars in productivity losses to the global economy.

What Causes Negative Wellbeing?

The most commonly reported causes for negative wellbeing are that people are overworked and tired.



Rethinking Corporate Strategy

Attracting and hiring top talent remains a top priority for companies of all sizes. Our results show that it's not just a competitive salary, attractive benefits package and a prestigious company name that appeal to potential employees.



An astonishing 9 in 10 employees consider wellbeing facilities & options a critical factor in choosing where to work



an overwhelming majority of people (82%) expect support from employers with work-life balance, challenging the more traditional status-quo of work and wellbeing.

These results show that companies need to rethink their people operations to remain competitive. With just 3% not expecting any support as they believe it is not their employers' responsibility, but still a third of companies reportedly not offering any wellbeing options at all, we still have a long way to go.

Flexibility

It appears that employers are beginning to realize that burn-out and stress are common problems in the workplace. This was reflected in the survey as **one in 4 employers are already providing stress management and mental health programs to employees.**

However, if employers adopt a strategy where prevention is better than cure, rethinking worker benefits to address stress reduction and wellbeing would pay dividends in the long-run. We asked employees what would improve their wellbeing at work and 'flexibility re place of work and work hours' was the top choice. This reiterates that the hybrid approach to work is still the top employee preference. In addition, in recent years several multinational companies have experimented with a 4-day working week and shown that it improves productivity. Output aside, it also would greatly improve employee wellbeing - showing the direct link between mental/physical health and employee productivity.

Top company initiatives that would most improve wellbeing at work are

35%

Flexible work options

32%

Shorter working week

20%

Healthy eating options – smoothies, salad bars etc.



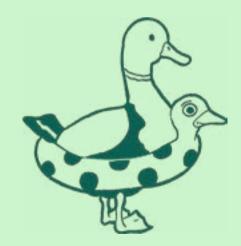
Physical Wellbeing

Over the past decade there has been a fitness revolution in workplaces. Gyms, running clubs and early-morning yoga are now commonplace in the corporate world. For more affordable options, companies are turning increasingly to coworking spaces who provide a range of physical activities for their members. But what do employees really want?

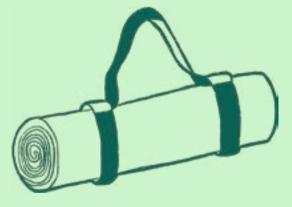
The top **physical wellbeing offerings** that respondents would **most lik**e to have:



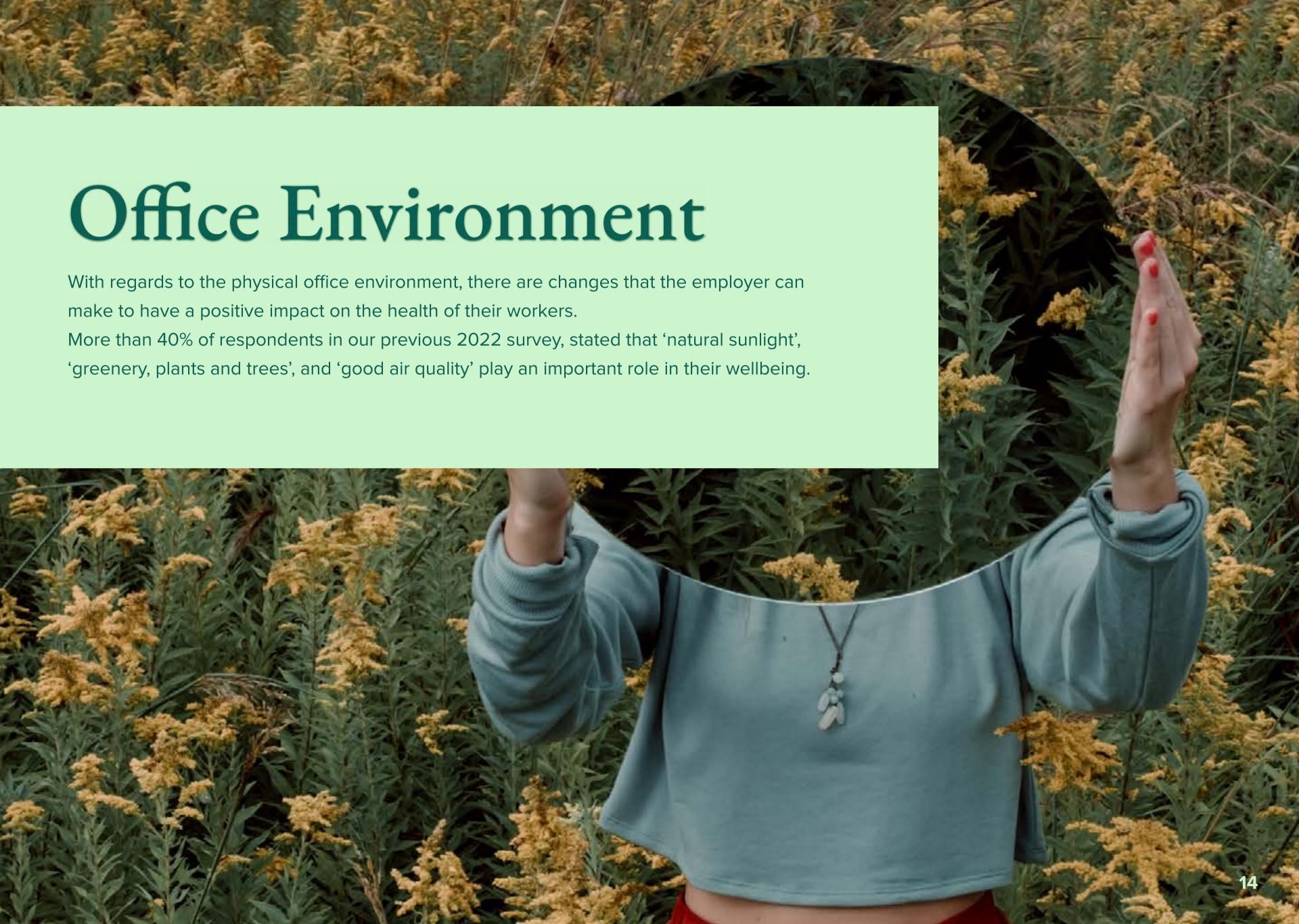
40% $_{\text{Gym}}$



27% Swimming



25% Yoga



Reversing Work-From-Home

Since the global pandemic and the shift to remote work, many companies have reported difficulty in luring workers back into the office. The solution?



were listed as the things people missed most while working from home, indicating some of the vital ingredients necessary for a successful hybrid model.

About Mindspace

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We believe that when people love coming to work, businesses thrive.

Member companies see better employee engagement and satisfaction, drive higher productivity and innovation, attract and retain the best talent. We are here to serve, giving business owners the peace of mind to focus on their core business priorities while we take care of the rest.

We comb cities to find rare and wonderful buildings which we transform into The Mindspace Experience.

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