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A Wrightwell copywriting case study

Creating website copy fast with little conversation



The client's project

An ambitious international health and beauty had plans to build up its global network of luxury spas. To help achieve that goal, a UK-based branding and marketing agency had been working with the client to create a similarly high-end look and feel for the business.

Key to the marketing process was a new website. The agency had created a design to suit the brand and a structure. Now time was of the essence to write the copy.

That's when I stepped in as the freelance copywriter ready to craft the words.



The challenge

The website words needed to fulfil a key role:

- Target an audience of business owners interested in delivering high-end services to very discerning customers (and gently dissuade interest from anyone offering anything less than totally tailored, luxurious service)
- Sell the features and benefits to the reader of working with client as part of their network
- Create a clear journey for the audience to identify themselves as a potential partner, and, importantly, to get in touch to move along the conversation.

Because the copywriting was a late addition to the project, there was going to be little time for direct conversation between copywriter and client. The content would have to be largely written from a large number of background brochures, plans, treatment menus and more – providing hugely varying levels of detail in a range of style.

My approach

- Set the tone. Ensure that the business is using the same voice for all the copy on its pages, and that it's designed to talk in a way that resonates with the reader. Here we needed professional but friendly copy, written for people whose first language may not be English.
- Differentiate the website from current brochures. Print and digital media offer different opportunities to tell a story, and website copy is a great place to show and tell in more detail.
- Build in the provided background information where it works, but not feel obliged to use everything. The key messages should stand out while the rest is useful detail.
- Discover the gaps and ask for more information. Long conversations directly with the client weren't going to happen, but by putting together a list of questions I could find the answers to the questions that readers would be asking.
- Work to a plan. Tell the story in brief on the home page. Lead the reader through the other pages to learn more and make the call to action very clear.
- Keep the writing easy to read and understand.
- Always keep the target audience in mind, and focus constantly on what they will gain by doing business with the website owner.

I'm Kathy Lawrence and I'm a hugely experienced copywriter working directly with clients and agencies across a wide range of B2B and B2C industries. Do



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