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TEA Presents:

Make Leisure the STAR of your *Destination*



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Good afternoon everyone
My name is Ray Hole (Founder and MD of ray hole architects).
Strategist, Masterplanner, Architect and some-time ago I held
the proud title of European President of the TEA (in those days this constituted everywhere east of New York and everywhere
west of LA).

It's good to be part of a TEA event again - and when I was given the Conference title it made me a little curious....

Make Leisure the Star of your Destination!!!

This suggests maybe that perhaps ... we don't do this ... And furthermore what does being a Star of a Destination look like anyway.



The Leisure Industry shines and performs best when it has Meaning and Purpose!!!



So I wanted to test this proposition and as is true for any Sector - the Leisure Industry Shines brightest and Performs best when it has a higher Meaning and Purpose....

Mono – Crisis: September 11th Attacks (9/11)



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> Keith James (TEA President) 2001 THEA Awards

Looking into the past this was best exemplified when less than a month after 9/11 - the TEA gathered for the THEA Awards - when the then President Keith James gave what I consider to be one of the most profound opening speeches.....

"There has never been a greater moment for our industry to dispel fear, give enjoyment and demonstrate confidence in the face of aggression"....

But that was a Mono-Crisis.....



Perma - Crisis: Changing + Volatile World























But we now find ourselves operating in a world that some commentators have called a Perma-Crisis - which suggests something far greater and more permanent.

So how should we the Leisure Industry respond at this critical moment and SHINE - indeed making what we do - the Star

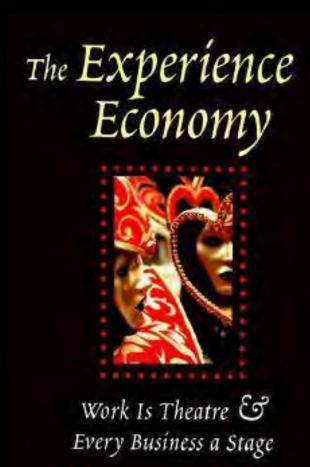




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Pine and Gilmore Published 1999 Make no mistake: Goods and Services are no longer enough. Experiences are the foundation for future economic growth....

[paraphrasing]

Leisure ALONE is no longer enough to achieve Destination Stardom !!! The Leisure Offer must be far more beneficial to - and universally loved by the whole host Community (and not simply by the Brand Loyalists). It's always good to reflect on other pivotal moments - so I've borrowed from Joe Pine when at the turn of the Millennium transmitted his observations (indeed his prophecy) to a then sceptical world - stating that

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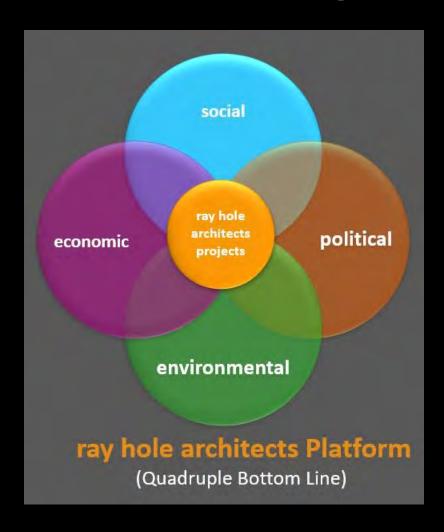
So apologies Joe for para-phrasing.....

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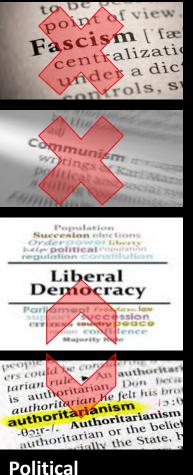
To be gifted such a title as Star of a Destination - what we deliver must be far more beneficial to - and universally loved - by the whole host Community (and not simply by the Brand Loyalists).

This host Community could mean the Village, Town, City or even a whole nation - maybe the world....

Leisure Re-imagined : Tangible Outcomes







This may sound very philosophical BUT in fact it's primarily Strategic - aim being to deliver Real and Tangible Outcomes way beyond normal performance KPI's.

Indeed, this has been a Strategic Briefing Compass at ray hole architects for over 30years - BUT to illustrate this alchemy of blending Social, Environmental, Economic and Political needs, I've selected 3no. strategies which could assist in achieving that elusive "Sweet-Spot" of Destination Stardom.



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Thank you
Leisure - achieve
Destination Stardom







- 1) Visitor EV Transportation
- 2) Biodiversity Net Gain and Climate Change3) Sustainable Development Goals

Economic Strategy: Visitor EV Transportation Govt. Policy > Converts CapEx to RevGen



CapEx



Infrastructure and Operation

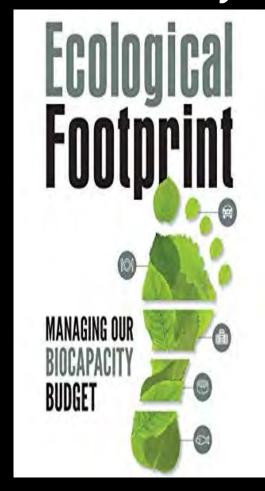


Visitor Attraction Network

100k car space usages per annum
.... potential £200m RevGen



Environmental Strategy: Permitted Development Govt. Policy > Biodiversity Net Gain









Social Strategy: Sustainable Development Goals Govt. Policy > Homes, Health, Education, Inclusivity











































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