

In her own words: Jo Dally

From what drives them to login every morning to advice they would give their 16-year-old selves, here are candid insights from some of the incredible women at the National Composites Centre (NCC) who help us build towards a brighter future.

Meet Jo Dally Strategic Partnerships Director

Joining the NCC

I came to visit. I had the opportunity to work with people that are now colleagues. I was hooked. Working at the NCC has finally given me an opportunity not just to work on innovation policy and investment, but to get 'up close' to delivery and impact. Brilliant!



Looking back, I don't think I could put my finger on a single moment or person that has inspired my career path. I've been fortunate to work with inspirational colleagues throughout my career. Their generosity in providing time, support and honest feedback has enabled me to thrive. I strive to do the same.

What motivates my login

- The people – working with such energising and innovative colleagues is a privilege.
- The breadth of the projects – I can't imagine any two days being the same.
- That I get to play a part in shaping our future industrial horizon.

Allyship to me

Listening, learning, and creating a culture that is inclusive and open-minded.

Advice to my 16-year-old self

“ You don't need a life plan. Serendipity and a 'what's the worst that can happen' attitude will open up opportunities galore. Just go for it. ”

Making safety seen

One of my bug bears is the "now for the boring bit" comment that I have too often heard preface safety briefings at the beginning of conferences and events. I'm vocal in calling this out. A strong safety culture is driven by actions and words. Both are non-negotiable.