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**The now and next of AI, a  
collaborative exploration**

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Ending needless  
suffering at work.

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# Open Space

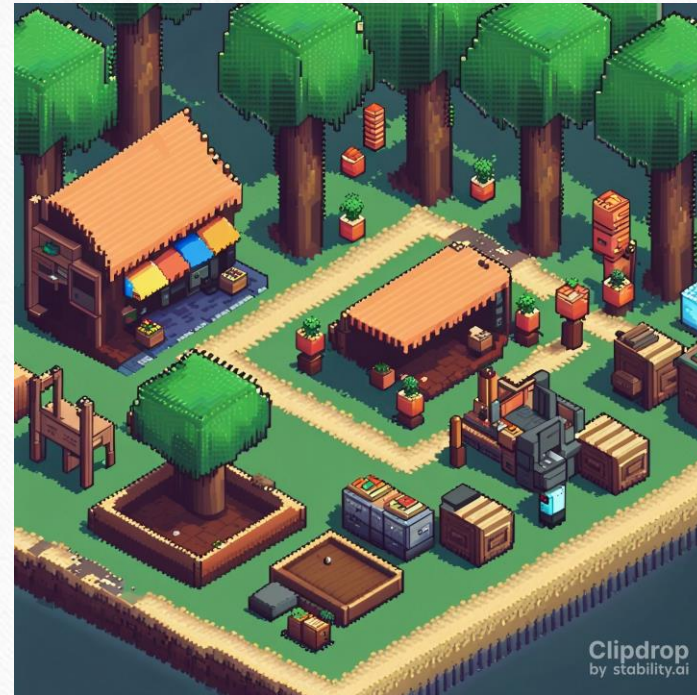
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**“The now and next of AI”**

# Open Space – Marketplace

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- Marketplace, name your topic
- 1 min to pitch
- Find a place to meet



# Marketplace (example)

	Bing	Bong	Bang	Boom	Bam
10:00	<i>AI for bottony</i>			<i>AI isn't real</i>	
10:10			<i>AI for frogs</i>		
10:20					
10:30	Harvest				

# Open Space – The conversation

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- A scribe
- What was said
- Who was there
- **Positive recommendations**





# AI isn't real

## What was said & who was there

- AI is just a marketing buzzword and never existed
- Computers will all stop working in Oct 2027 anyway

People: Raj, Jeff, and Janice

## Positive recommendations

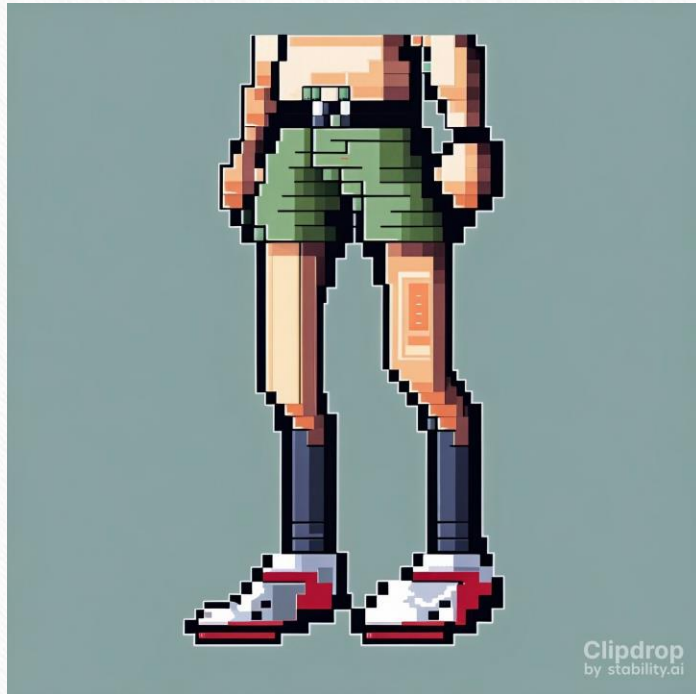
- Replace computers with mindfulness cushions
- Put Jeff in charge of removing the word Ai from all printed material using a mallet

# Guiding Principles



1. Whoever is there, are the right people
2. Whenever the conversation starts is the right time
3. Whenever it finishes is the right time
4. Whatever happens is the only thing that could have

# The Law of Two Feet



If you are not contributing to, or learning from, the conversation...

...then you **MUST** leave and find a more engaging conversation.

*This ensures only the most important conversations happen.*

# The Lobby & Snooping

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The Lobby is where you go when nothing is grabbing your attention.

Snoop on the other conversations, in “news just in” or by listening in.

# Market place is open!

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- Quick pitches
- Find your conversation



# Harvest



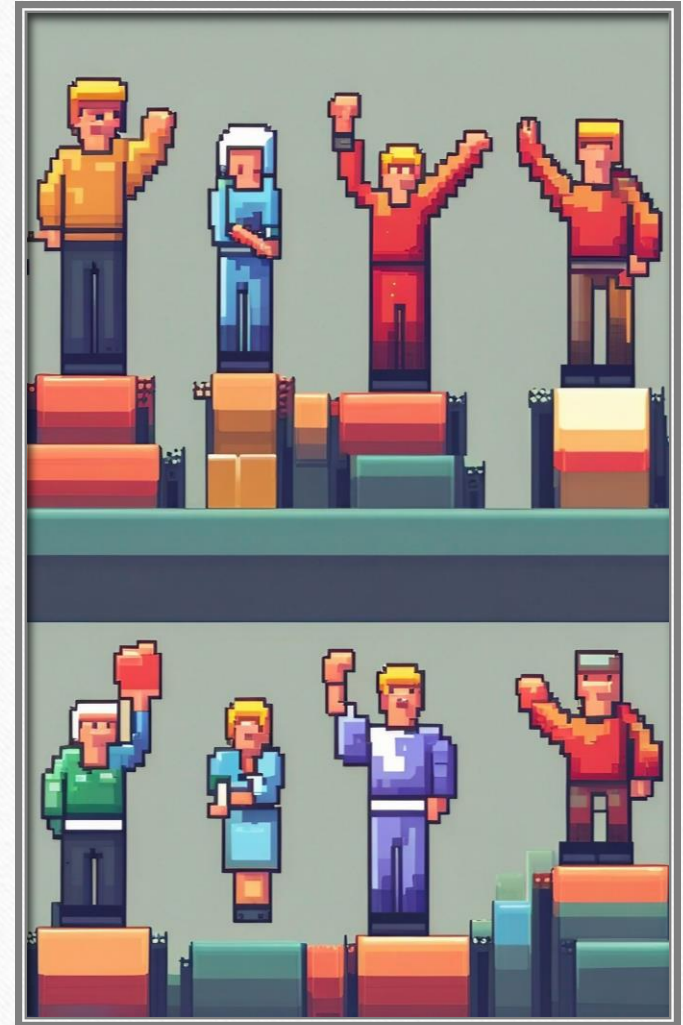
Agile thinking, navigating  
change and uncertainty.

You've just done it!

Things we didn't know at the start:

- What the topics would be
- Who would bring them
- Who would go where

Now we have all of those themes and recommendations from the group.

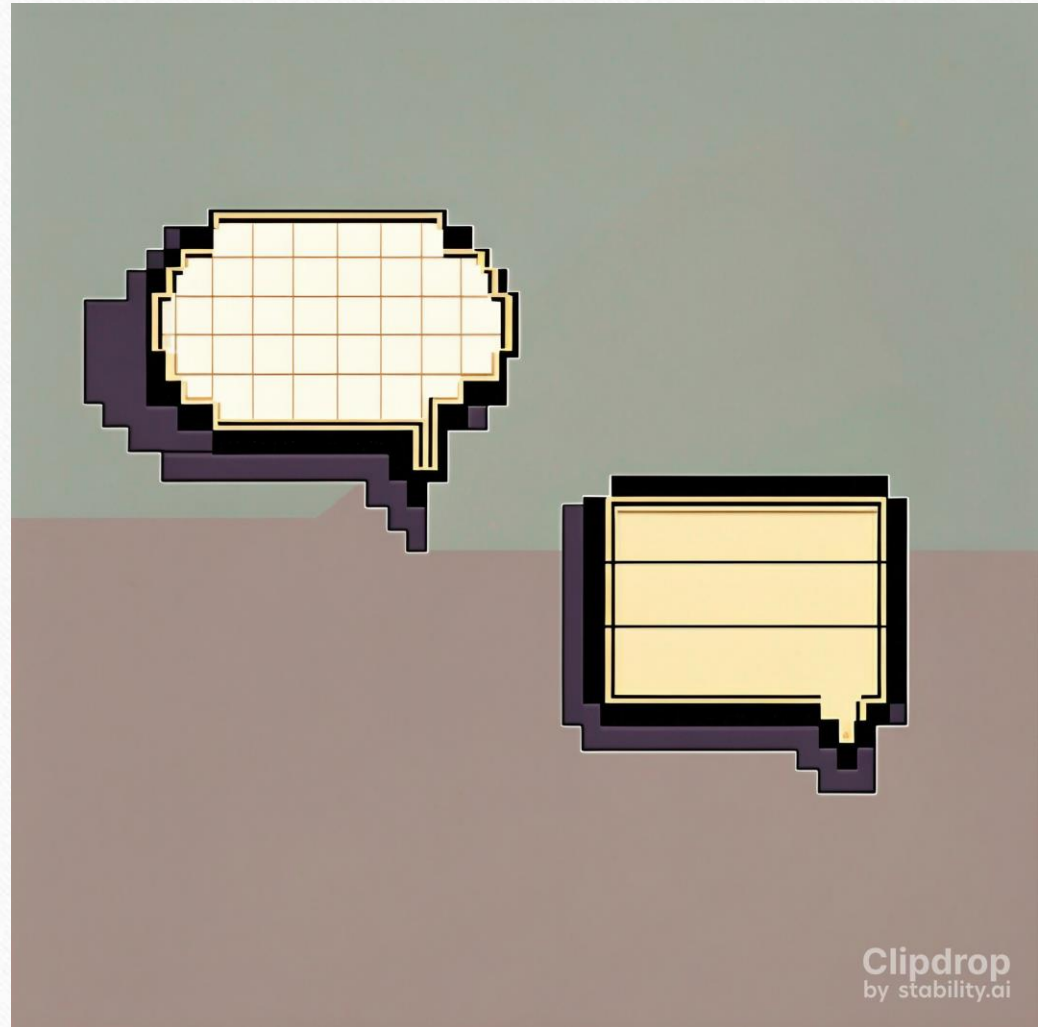




## Collaborative decision making

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- What are the recommendations?
- What to discuss?
- When has the discussion has ended?



# People Over Process

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- Emphasis on people and interactions
- The most minimal process to get to the result

## Working products over comprehensive documentation

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We just focused on generating  
actionable ideas and solutions,

not producing lengthy reports or  
detailed plans.



# Sustainable Development



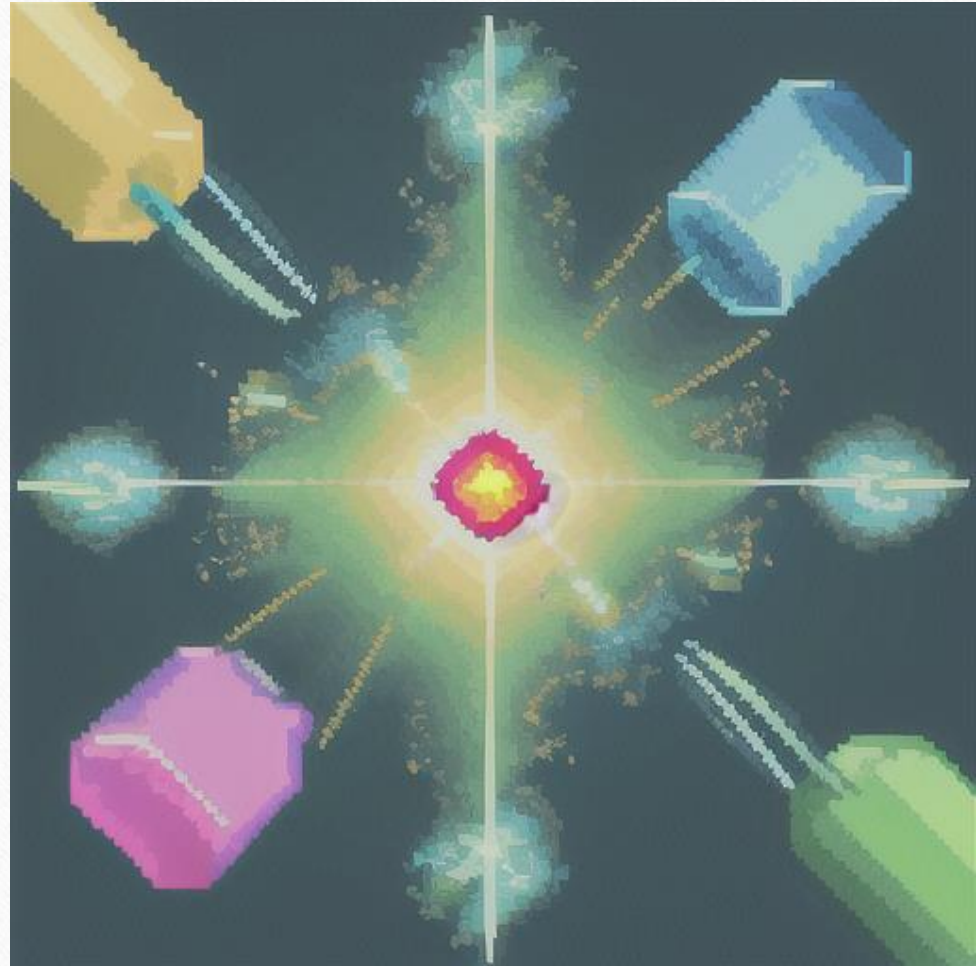
- Be responsible for things you care about
- Find a natural curiosity and energy for the work
- Minimise wasteful and energy-sapping activities

## Emergent Solutions

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Experiment and learn over predict  
and control

Non-hierarchical environments  
lend themselves toward creativity  
and innovation



Agile thinking,  
navigating change and  
uncertainty.

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Consider adding agile thinking,  
sessions, teams, moments, to  
exploring the unknown.



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“I’m not sure  
which box you  
tick Jon, but it’s  
a great box.”

— Mark Eddleston  
Coach & Facilitator  
Co-founder at  
Reinventing Work



Thank you.

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