

# SOFTWARE

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## Background:

*Ryan was born and bred in Accrington, Lancashire. He first arrived in the North East in 1999 to study Graphic design at Newcastle College. In 2001 after travelling and working in the east coast of America, he then went on to study electronic media design at Sunderland University where he graduated in 2005.*

*Starting off his career in the games industry, Ryan worked for renowned regional games developer Eutechnyx and Stainless games on the Isle of Wight. Here he gathered and implemented expert skill in conceptualising and implementing UI and UX design on games for Playstation 2,3, Vita, Xbox and Wii.*

*During this time, he also met a business partner Michael Dunn, who was working as a games developer. As a good mix of technical and creative, they begin their partnership freelancing in design and development and began creating apps for mobile.*

*With the projects coming in, they registered the business, officially founding Gospelware in 2010, and originally operating from a back bedroom in Ryan's Wallsend house, turning it in the following years into a company that is one of the fastest growing digital product studios in the UK.*

*Gospelware always had the belief, aim, and vision, that digital, mobile software and the power of technology has big, impactful capabilities, far beyond marketing and games. Their process of understanding client's needs and innovating a digital solution is what has led to them being a part of some important digital work and a solid reputation within the healthcare sector in the UK and USA.*

*Ryan's drive, ambition, company success and focus on building a thriving digital business in the North East resulted in him becoming a finalist in the Entrepreneur's Forum 2016 award category for Emerging Talent. With now multiple award wins under their name, including a prestigious WEBBY Award won earlier in 2017.*

*Since early 2018, Ryan has formed a new venture; Surge - Creating multi-platform technology solutions for high growth businesses.*

## The Business/Company:

*Surge is a Multiplatform Business Applications company based in Newcastle upon Tyne.*

*From smartphone apps for business on-the-go to software which transforms business operations, we'll get to the root of what you need to make your business work better, faster and smarter.*

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