

# In her own words: Emma Burns

In celebration of #IWD2023, we check in with some incredible women at the NCC who share candid insights into their respective roles; what drives them to login every morning; and the advice they would give their 16-year-old selves.

## Meet Emma Burns, Research Engineer

### Joining the NCC

I visited the NCC whilst I was studying at University – the variety of work, research and equipment was very impressive. The excitement that everyone had for their projects was infectious, so I decided to join the graduate programme.

As a teenager I was part of the Air Cadets and have since become a glider pilot and instructor. Understanding how it all worked led me to engineering. The underpinning challenge is how we continue to design and implement new technologies to solve problems in a sustainable way.



### What motivates my login

- I love problem solving and that is what engineering is all about.
- I really enjoy the variety of projects and sectors that you are able to work on at the NCC.
- The NCC enables everyone to have a bit impact with their work from early subject research, to implementing a solution, to a real-world problem with a company.

### Advice to my 16-year-old self



**Try everything and ask lots of questions!**



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