



CELEBRATING INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY WITH JACQUELINE PRIMROSE

Ahead of IWD '25, Jenny Harvie-Miller, Head of Communications & Engagement, sat down with Jacqueline Primrose, Assistant Management Accountant at Mac Mic Group, to discuss her career journey.

How long have you worked at Mac Mic Group?

I've been with Mac Mic Group for just over 12 years now. It's been an incredible journey, and I've learned so much along the way.

What did you do before joining Mac Mic Group?

While at university, I worked as a store supervisor for the fashion retailer New Look. After graduating with an honours degree in Accounting and Finance from Glasgow Caledonian University, I joined Mac Mic Group shortly after.

How has your role evolved over time?

I started in the purchasing ledger department and gradually took on more responsibilities. Over time, I transitioned into management accounts and broader finance duties. This past year, I've had the opportunity to take on a more hands-on role in managing the company's Private Rented Sector (PRS) portfolio. I had previously reported on PRS numbers, but stepping into the day-to-day management has been a fulfilling new challenge.



What's been the biggest challenge in your career?

I would say the biggest challenge has been returning to work after both of my maternity leaves. Balancing full-time motherhood with a career is something many women face, and it certainly wasn't easy. However, the support I received from my colleagues, the company, and my family made all the difference and helped me navigate this challenging time. I'm grateful to have a supportive network in place, both at home and in the workplace.

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What is your proudest career moment to date?

Winning the Derek Mickel Award for Excellence is definitely my proudest moment. I had seen others win it over the years and always thought it would be incredible to receive that recognition. When it finally happened, I was genuinely overwhelmed. It felt like all my hard work had been truly acknowledged, and it was a moment that meant so much to me.

Image left: Jacqueline with Andrew Mickel and Ross Mickel receiving the Derek Mickel Award.

How has Mac Mic Group supported your growth?

We currently have a female Finance Director, along with a history of women in senior roles. It's inspiring to see that the company actively supports women in leadership positions and offers opportunities for career growth. The environment at Mac Mic Group has always encouraged me to trust my abilities and pursue my goals with confidence.

If you could switch jobs for a day, what would it be?

I'd love to be a sports presenter for a day! It would be amazing to be in the thick of the action, discussing games and interviewing players. Sports have always been a passion of mine, and it would be such an exciting experience to be on the other side of the screen!



What superpower would you choose?

As a working mum, I think most parents would agree—my superpower would be the ability to instantly clean my house or get my kids to bed with a snap of my fingers! Life would be so much simpler.