



JOE CROXFORD

FRANCHISEE SINCE 2020

Working for a luxury car maker on the production line, Joe was a crucial cog in a very repetitive process. "I realised I was only ever going to be a number and I didn't want that for the rest of my career. I wanted something which suited me, my schedule and my interests." After accepting voluntary redundancy, Joe said "I looked into different options, and franchising caught my eye."

"I have an interest in cars, and I've tried my hand at vehicle repairs in the past, so ChipsAway looked particularly interesting. After I paid my deposit, I began looking ahead to the training. Even before that point though, the ChipsAway team was on hand to offer their support or answer any questions I had about getting set up."

Joe is reaping all the benefits of working for himself and knows there is even more to come. "I now have a daily schedule which is built around my family and hobbies, my mood is better, and I feel more alive than I did in my previous career. I have the freedom to do last-minute coffee dates with my fiancée or play a midweek football match, which I was previously missing out on. I see more of my family and friends, and I've worked daily exercise into my routine."

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Many ChipsAway specialists don't have a history of working with cars. Franchising with ChipsAway enables people with any kind of professional background to change careers and achieve a better work-life balance. Such was the case with Nick Abraham. "I began looking into franchising, and ChipsAway came up as an option. I didn't need any experience to start, the potential income looked intriguing, and I could be my own boss in terms of workload and when and where I'd work."

"Throughout the onboarding process, I felt very well supported, because ChipsAway provides mentors and advisors to help you get started. I'd speak to my mentor once a week but I could also pick up the phone when I faced any challenges. I had full training and worked in the field shadowing other specialists so that I could pick up the real-time parts of the job you can't always understand in training."

Despite being new to working on cars, Nick quickly got to grips and developed his customer base with the support of ChipsAway head office.

"You live and learn out on the job, and you realise what you're comfortable with, and that expertise continues to develop as you progress further."

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PHIL TAYLOR
FRANCHISEE SINCE 2011

Phil Taylor finally decided to leave the printing industry and pursue his long-held dream of being a business owner. "I'd been thinking about buying a franchise for years, I thought the proven business model would make it easier to succeed.

My job meant that I was often away during the daytime and wasn't really able to lead a normal life, but now that has changed dramatically. I have time for the important things - like taking my son to school in the morning."

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Previously, I had no interaction with the customers, as I was often stuck in the back office, but it's a great feeling seeing client satisfaction first hand!"

"Working for myself is so much more rewarding than working for an employer. I love having my destiny in my own hands. It's the little things like finishing early on a Friday or having the afternoon off to play golf. The harder I work, the bigger the benefits, the only person I'm dependent on now is me – thanks to ChipsAway! I don't have any regrets about joining the franchise, I'm still enjoying it every day!"



RICHARD DEXTER
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Richard had a career as an experienced Film and TV animator, where he worked on films such as Lord of the Rings and Avatar. Whilst glamorous on the surface, this role came with long hours, and a lifestyle which left Richard spending less and less time with his children; it even began to affect his health. After 16 years in the industry, he decided he needed a new challenge and a change in his work-life balance.

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"My work had become something I no longer enjoyed, and my work/life balance non-existent. Watching my children grow up was more important to me than my career, and I knew I needed to make a change. I wasn't particularly looking for a franchise but my wife found out about ChipsAway and the nature of the work really appealed to me, so we looked into it further.

"ChipsAway has given me all the things I was looking for and has made my life so much better. Rather than being stuck in front of a computer, I can be my own boss and continue to do something creative. "I couldn't have started this type of business without the training, support and backing of an established company behind me.



COLIN HALL
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Colin Hall joined the industry as an apprentice at 16 years old and spent the next three decades representing large employers. Self-employment had always been an ambition, but Colin had reservations about such a big step. Encouraged by friends who knew his dream was to run his own business, Colin came across ChipsAway which had the reputation, authority and ready-made package of support he needed to take the leap.

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Within six months of working for ChipsAway, Colin has built up a network of customers which sees him repair more than 40 cars per month, resulting in income of over £9,000. For Colin, though, the true benefit of franchising has been the flexibility it allows to be more present at home than ever before.

He said: "My working hours vary around my family, which is a huge bonus. I'm able to pick my children up from school and enjoy a big part of their day, then organise the business admin around their schedule. This is a really nice change and the improved work-life balance has definitely been the best part about moving to self-employment. I'm so much happier.

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