

Business Suite for Facebook and Instagram

Meta Business Suite is a free tool that Facebook page admins can use to manage their pages and linked Instagram accounts. Note that you can't manage Facebook groups with it.

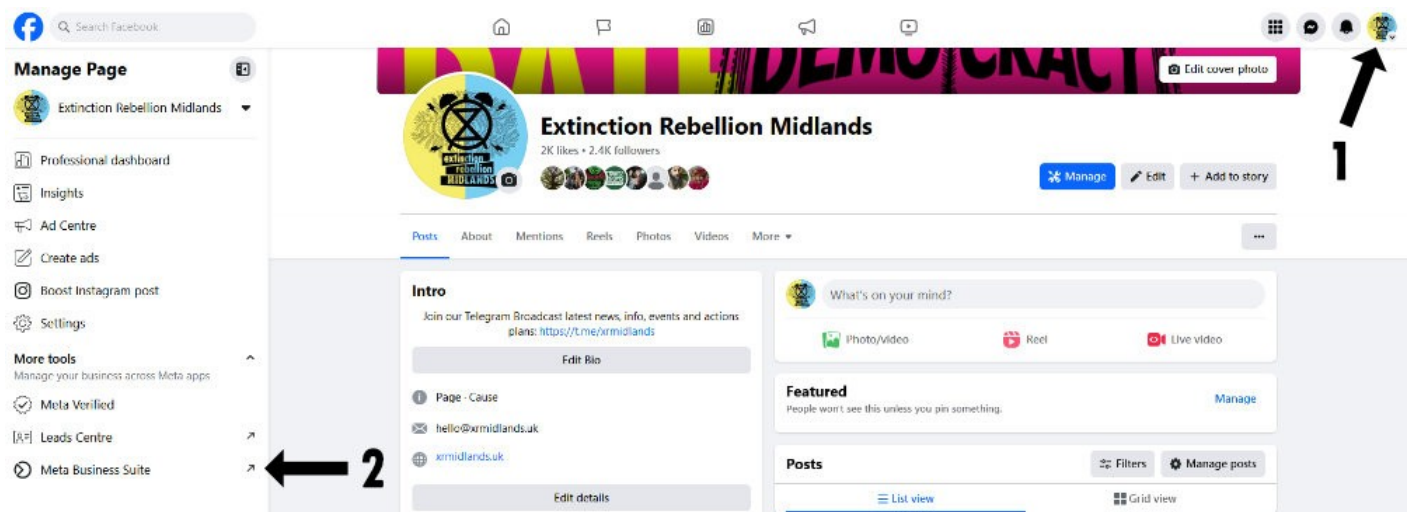
☐ A more detailed video tutorial is coming! We hope that the screenshots will help you navigate Business Suite for the time being.

There is a phone version of Business Suite but we're only covering the desktop version here.

☐ Accessing Business Suite

You can either follow this link: <https://business.facebook.com> or go to your Facebook Page and

1. Make sure you're logged in as your page
2. Click on Meta Business Suite on the left-hand side column

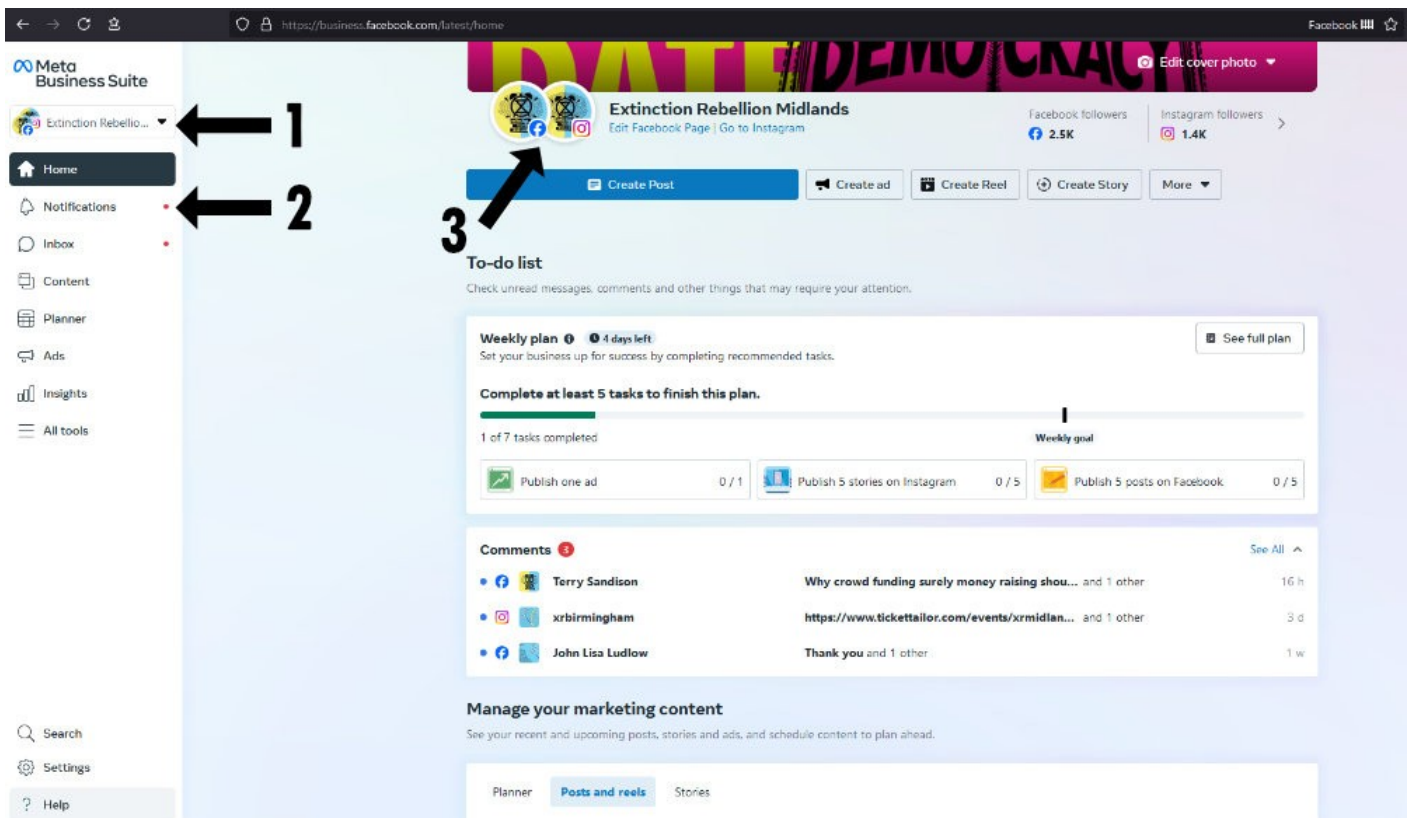


☐ Dashboard

The dashboard gives you an overview of your account.

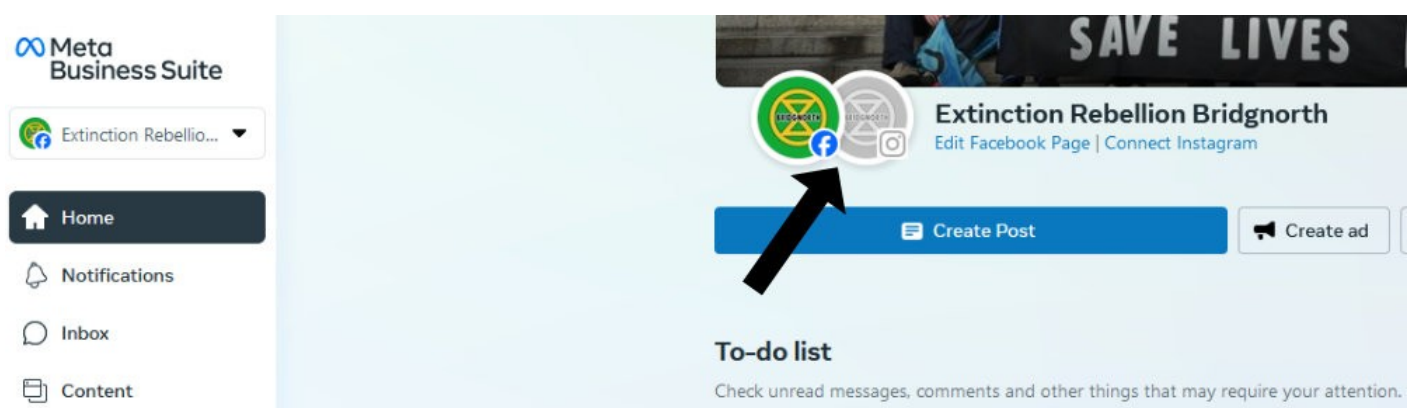
From there you can:

1. Switch between different accounts (if you're the admin of multiple Facebook pages)
2. See where your attention is needed when there is a red dot (meaning you have new notifications such as messages, comments etc.)
3. Check if your Instagram account is linked to your Facebook page





Link Instagram and Facebook

On the screenshot below you can see that there isn't an Instagram account linked (the logo remains grey). It can be because it hasn't been connected yet, a problem with the connection, or just because you don't have an Instagram account (which is the case here).




To link your Instagram account to your Facebook Page, click "Connect Instagram" (on the right-hand side of the two logos with the tiny Facebook and Instagram icons). Then follow the process.


Click "Log in to Instagram" (blue button):





Connect to Instagram

After connecting your Facebook Page **Extinction Rebellion Burton on Trent** to Instagram, people who manage the Page or Instagram account will be able to manage tasks for both profiles. Depending on people's assigned access, these tasks may include:

 Content and ads

 Insights

 Messages and comments


 Settings and permissions

You can review people's assigned access by going to **People in Settings**. [Learn more](#)


Create a new Instagram profile

Log in to Instagram

Tick yes for "allow access to Instagram messages in inbox":



Choose Instagram message settings

 **Allow access to Instagram messages in Inbox** ☒

Depending on their Page roles, people who help manage your Page may have access to view and respond to Instagram messages. You can change this in your settings at any time.
[Learn more](#)

Cancel

Continue

Enter your login details (username or email + password).

⚠ And we mean your XR account login details, not your personal one.

Instagram



Instagram

Phone number, username, or email

Password


☐ Save login info

Log in

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If you're stuck and need support, please contact @lucielc on Mattermost.

Notifications

To access the notifications, hover your pointer over the left-hand side column until it appears more detailed, then click "notifications" (bell icon).

That will give you an overview of the most recent interactions people had with your page.

From time to time, you will see a blue button that says "Send 20 invitations". If you click it, it will send a notification to 20 people who recently interacted with your page to invite them to follow it. This way you might gain more followers, yay!

The image shows a split-screen view of a Facebook page. The left side displays the 'Notifications' section, which includes a sidebar with navigation icons (home, notifications, posts, insights, etc.) and a main area titled 'High priority'. This area lists five notifications: Terry Sandison, Jack Beck and Richard Chamberlain commented on your post (16 hours ago); John Lisa Ludlow, a follower, commented on your photo (a week ago); Steve Collier commented on your post in Non-Violent Direct Action & Action Planning Training - Shrewsbury (3 weeks ago); Steve Collier commented on your photo (3 weeks ago); and Extinction Rebellion NYC mentioned you and other followers in a comment (7 weeks ago). Each notification includes a profile picture and a blue dot indicating it's new. Below the notifications is a 'Suggestions' section with a 'Hide' link and a button that says 'Send 20 invitations'. The right side of the image shows a blurred view of the Facebook page, including the 'To-do list' section with a 'Weekly plan' and a progress bar for 'Complete at least 5 tasks' (1 of 7 tasks completed).

Inbox: messages and comments

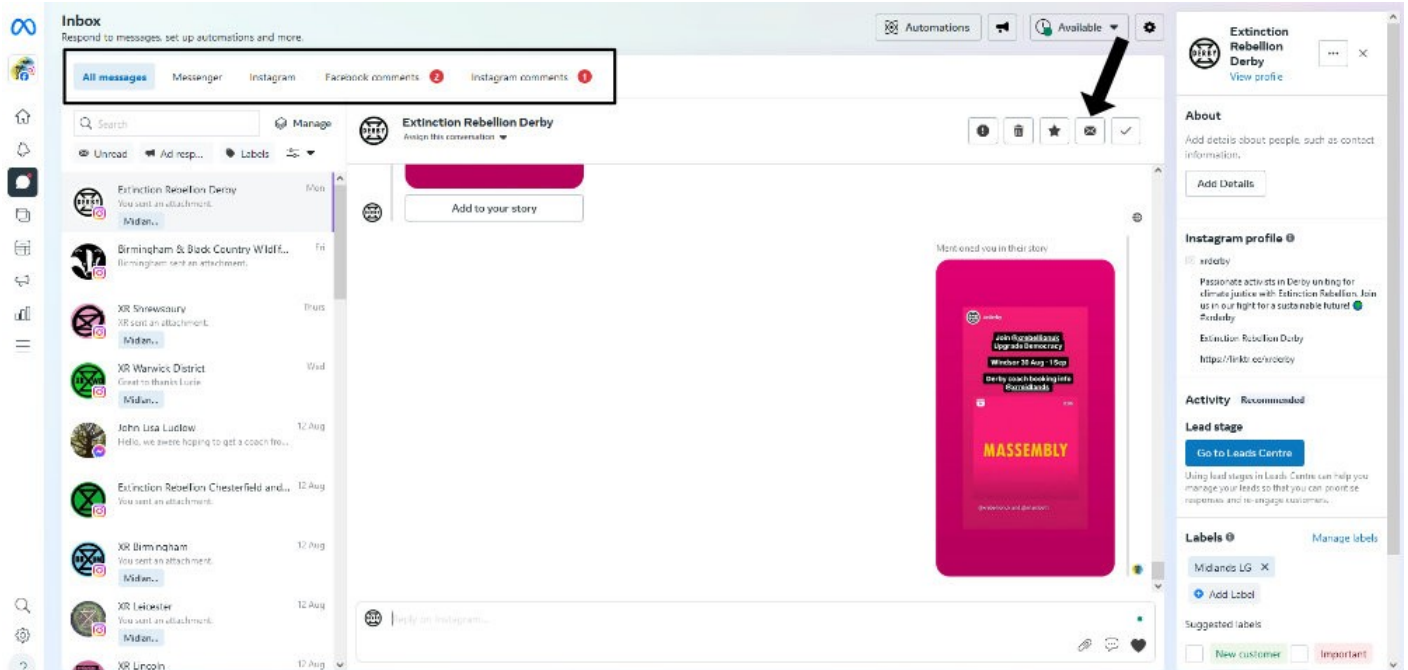
A very important feature! Click the speech bubble in the left-hand side column.

This is the place where you'll be able to read, answer and manage your messages and comments. If you have a new message or comment, you'll see a red circle with a number in it in the horizontal

menu.

Terms:

- Messenger: messages sent to your Facebook Page
- Instagram: messages sent to your Instagram account
- Facebook / Instagram comments: comments people have written underneath one of your posts



Manage messages

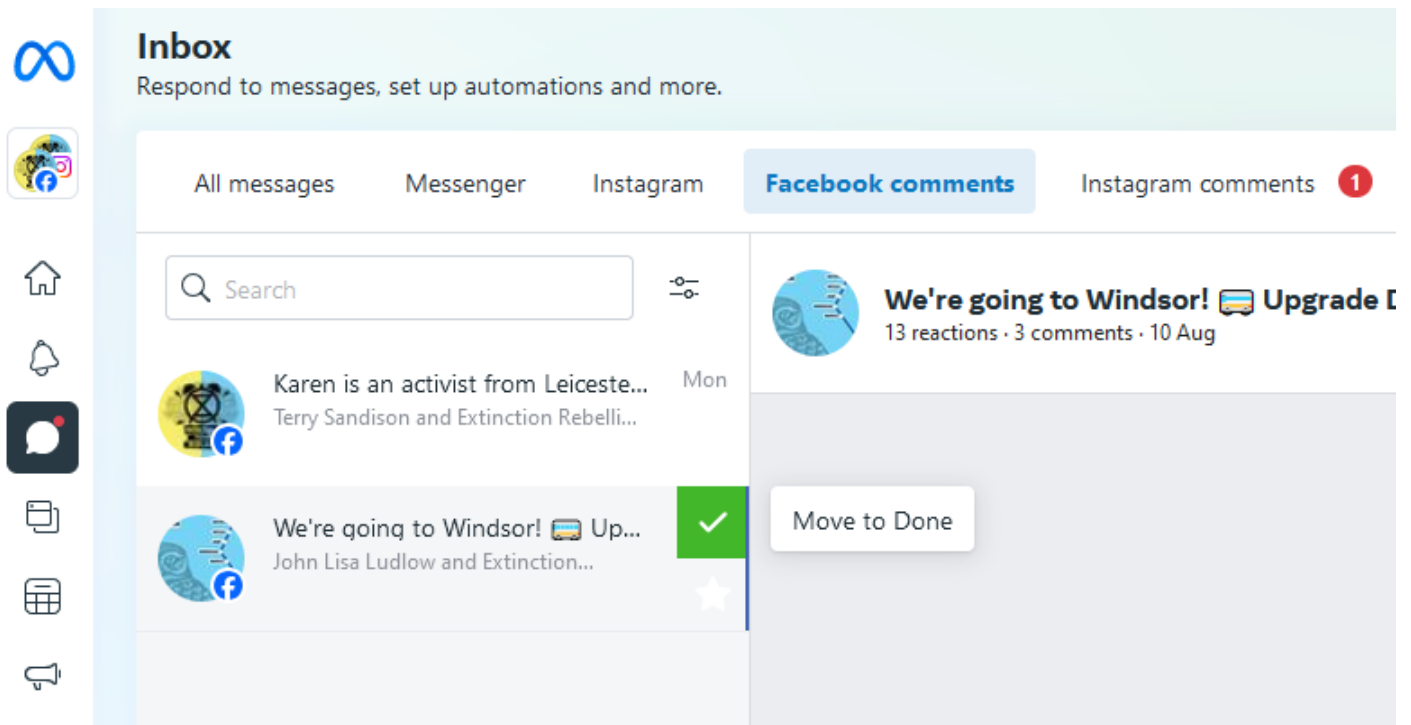
There is a search bar if you're looking for an old message from a specific person or account.

When you open a message, you can see more information about the person or account who sent it on the right-hand side of your screen.

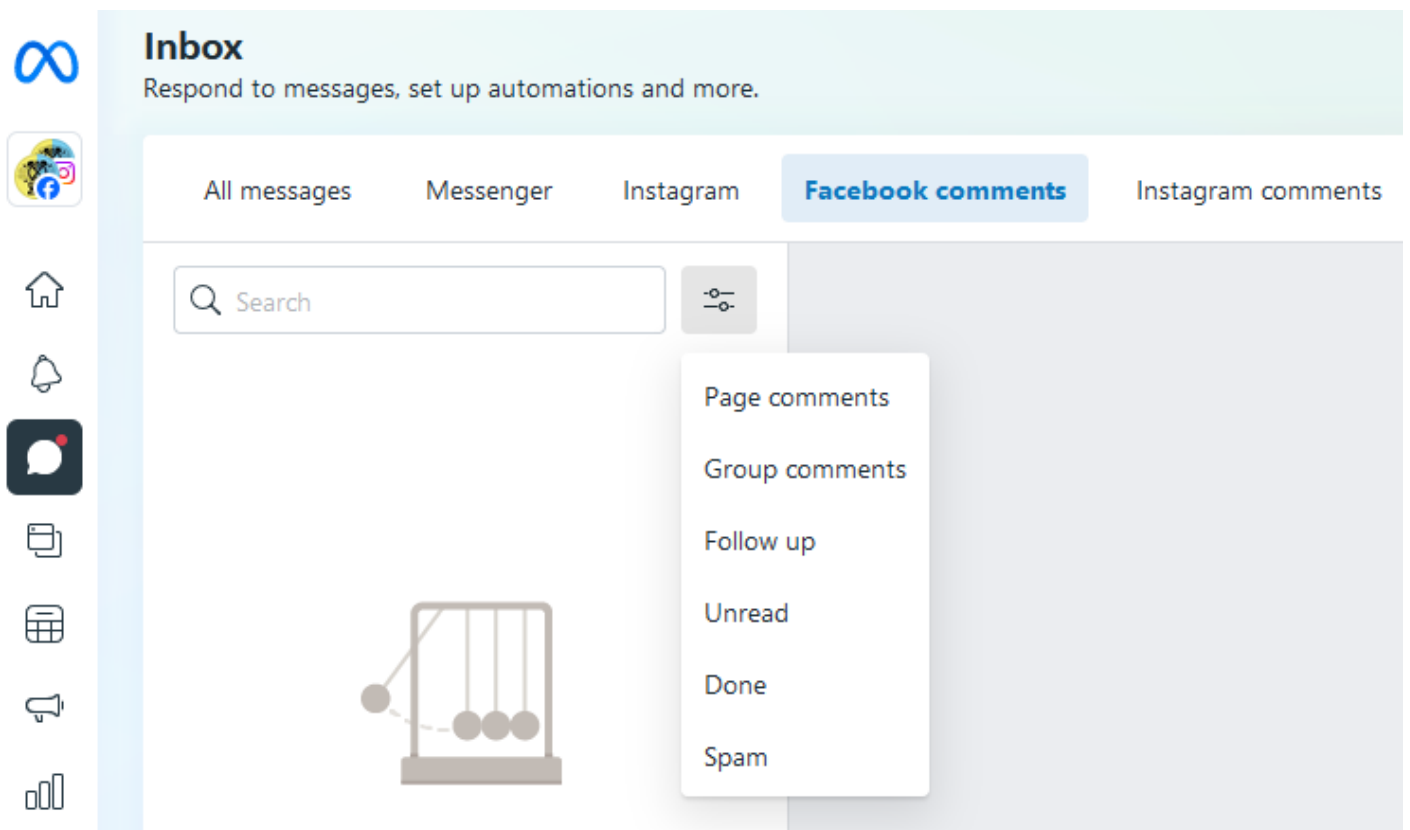
☐ If you open a message but can't or don't want to answer straight away, make sure to click the little envelop icon above the conversation to mark it "unread" (this way you won't miss it next time you visit Business Suite, or someone else from your team can spot it and deal with it).

Manage comments

A good practice to keep your inbox tidy and up to date, is to tick the "done" box once you've answered and/or interacted with the comments people wrote.



Don't panic if you clicked by mistake! Head to the filters menu next to the search bar, and click "done" and you will see appear all the old comments you've already dealt with.



📄 Create Posts

Click on "content" in the lefthand side column.

1. Menu

- Published: all your past posts
- Scheduled: all your future posts (if you've been using the scheduling option)
- Drafts: posts that still need to be worked on (by you or someone else from your team)

2. You can see if a post was (or will be) published on Facebook or Instagram by looking at the small icon in the corner of the preview image.

3. Click the blue button on the top right-hand side corner to create a new post.

The screenshot shows the Facebook Content Manager interface. On the left is a sidebar with navigation options like 'Posts and reels', 'Stories', 'A/B tests', 'Feed and grid', 'Mentions and tags', 'Clips', 'Collections', 'Facebook Photos', 'Playlists', 'Series', 'Creative assets', 'Ready-made reels', and 'Videos you can crosspost'. The main area displays a list of posts. A red box labeled '1' highlights the 'Published' filter tab. A red arrow labeled '2' points to a small icon in the bottom right corner of a post's preview image. A red arrow labeled '3' points to the 'Create post' button in the top right corner of the interface.

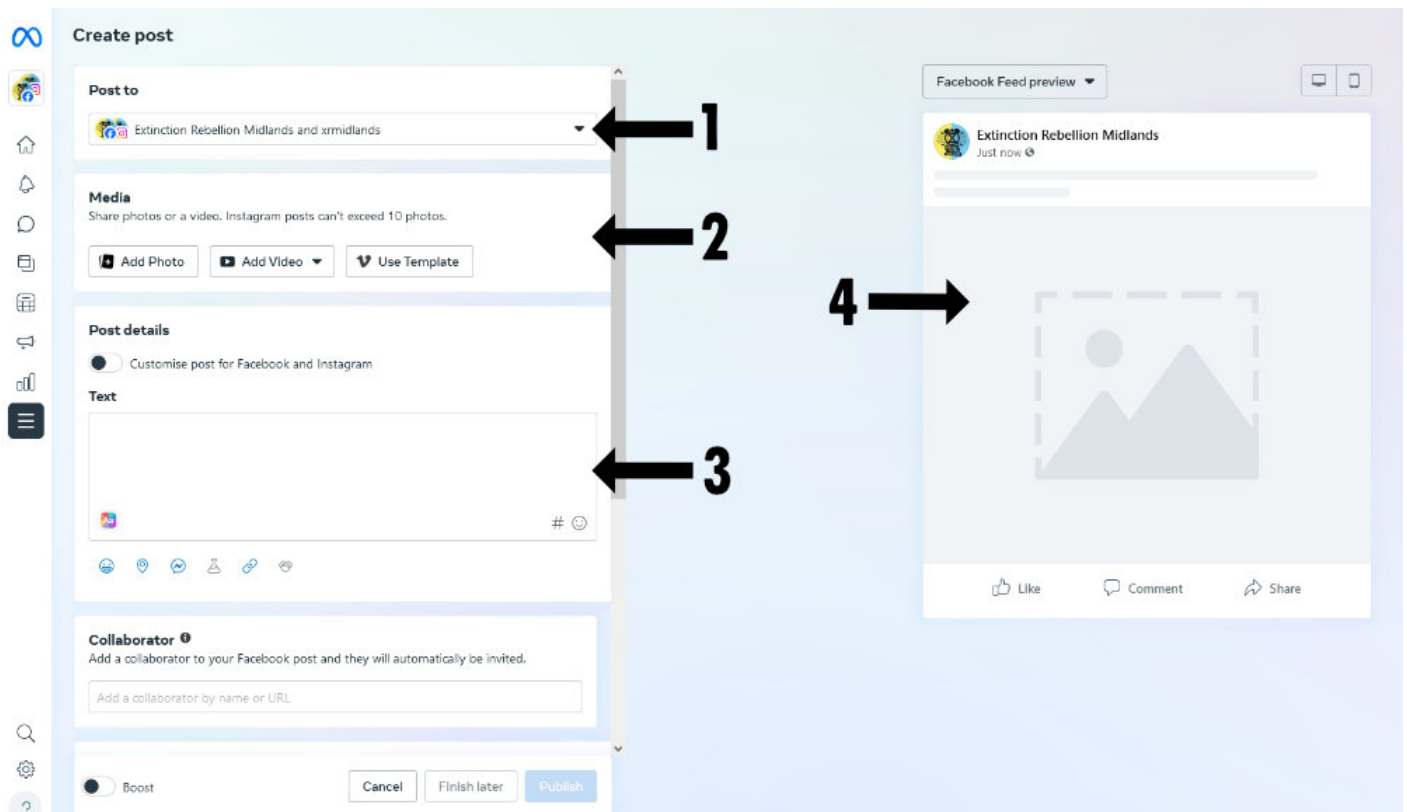
Title	Date published	Status	Reach	Likes and reactions	Comments	Shares
This post contains no text...	19 August 18:24	Boost unavailable	16 Reach	1 Reactions	0 Comments	0 Shares
Don't miss this great opportunity...	19 August 07:17	Boost unavailable	34 Reach	0 Reactions	0 Comments	0 Shares
Beautiful river action at Ambrosgate...	19 August 07:07	Boost unavailable	74 Reach	7 Reactions	0 Comments	0 Shares
Karen is an activist from Leicester...	16 August 13:12	Boost unavailable	352 Reach	7 Reactions	6 Comments	0 Shares
Bus stop shelters were spotted bei...	11 August 10:22	Boost unavailable	54 Likes	0 Comments	6 Shares	
Time to book your bus ticket to WL...	10 August 20:34	Boost unavailable	60 Reach	1 Likes and reactions	0 Comments	0 Shares
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1. **Post to:** select if you want to create a post for Facebook, Instagram or both (it's both by default).

2. **Media:** add a selection of photos, graphics or a video to your post. Read [this page](#) for guidance on content.

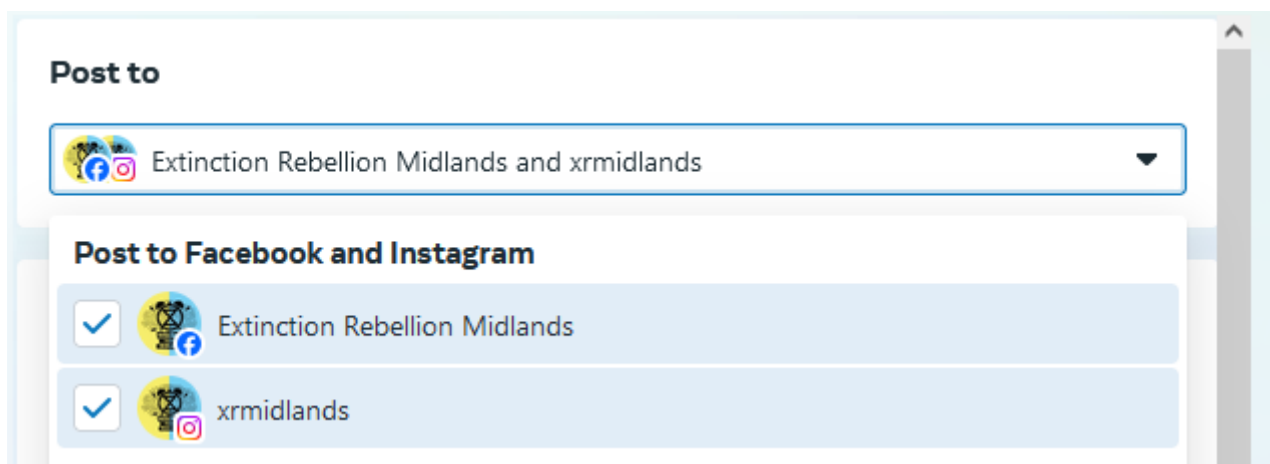
3. **Post details:** Write your text

4. **Preview:** this is what your post will look like once published.



Select Facebook and/or Instagram.

Keep in mind that these platforms have specific requirements so not all posts should be "mirrored". For example, links are not clickable on Instagram. Read below for more explanations.



Once you've written your text, you might want to adjust it to fit the requirements of both platforms. Tick "Customise post for Facebook and Instagram". You will see the Facebook and Instagram icons appear.

To edit the Facebook post, click the Facebook icon, and vice versa for Instagram. To keep the same example as earlier: if you have links in your text, delete them for Instagram (add them to your [story](#) or [LinkTree](#) instead).

Post details

☒ Customise post for Facebook and Instagram

 Facebook

 **Instagram**

Instagram text

Blahblahblah but for Insta

😊

You can add collaborators to your Instagram post (note that if you do that you won't be able to add the scheduling option). Not familiar with collaborative posts? Read more about it [here](#).

Collaborator ⓘ

Add a collaborator to your Facebook post and they will automatically be invited.

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 [Copy invitation link](#) ⓘ

Post straight away or schedule for later (a great option if you want to schedule posts ahead when you have time to keep your socials active, posting regularly is key to reaching more people!).

The "active times" button will give you options for when your followers are more likely to be active and then might engage with the content you post. Note that this option is not always available.

Scheduling options

Set date and time ☒

Schedule your post for the times when your audience is most active, or manually select a date and time in the future to publish your post.

Facebook

 20 August 2024	 12:29
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Instagram

 20 August 2024	 12:29
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 Active times

It's now time to publish your post or save it for later.

Review

Request review ☐

Your post will be saved as a draft. Other people who manage content for your Facebook Page or Instagram account can review and publish this post.

Privacy settings

Adjust your privacy settings to control who can see your post in News Feed, in Watch, in search results and on your profile.

- ☒ Public
Anyone on or off Facebook will be able to see your post.
- ☐ Restricted
Choose certain people on Facebook who can see your post.

☐ Boost

Cancel

Finish later

Schedule

Insights

If you like statistics, you'll enjoy this part of Business Suite!

This is the place where you'll learn more about your reach (how many people have seen your posts), engagement (how many interactions your posts received), your audience (demographics, location)...

If you have time, you can investigate the "Weekly Plan" that Business Suite created for you to keep you posting more content (which should in turn help you get a better reach and more engagement, theoretically).

⚠ Creating content for social media is incredibly time-consuming so don't feel obligated to do more than what you're able to do time wise!

