The Busy Manager's Guide to Marketing

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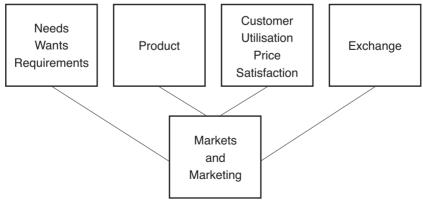
Marketing is merely a civilised form of warfare, in which most battles are won with words, ideas and disciplined thinking

Albert W Emery

THE PROCESS

The marketing process is continuous, analytical and progressive. It combines the strategy of long-term business objectives with the tactics of short-term goals. It co-ordinates the various sub-elements of marketing in mutual support of business aims and maintains the focus on the customer. It formulates from strategic planning the necessary marketing action plans and carries them out. It provides an evaluation and analysis of the different stages of business performance, giving you the opportunity to adjust and change direction where necessary.

Figure 2.1 The basic elements of marketing



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