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CIC 36

Declarations on Formation of a Community Interest Company¹

Please complete in typescript, or in bold black capitals.

Company Name in full

Safe Soulmate *Community Interest Company*

Community Interest Company

SECTION A: COMMUNITY INTEREST STATEMENT – beneficiaries

1. We/I, the undersigned, declare that the company will carry on its activities for the benefit of the community, or a section of the community. [Insert a short description of the community, or section of the community, which it is intended that the company will benefit below]

The company's activities will provide benefit to ...

Safe Soulmate is a dating and friendship agency for adults with learning difficulties, learning disabilities and autism, which aims to help people find and nurture friendships and loving relationships with likeminded individuals, in a safe and supported way. The overarching aim is to prevent exploitation, loneliness and isolation.

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SECTION B: Community Interest Statement – Activities & Related Benefit

Please indicate how it is proposed that the company’s activities will benefit the community, or a section of the community. Please provide as much detail as possible to enable the CIC Regulator to make an informed decision about whether your proposed company is eligible to become a community interest company. It would be useful if you were to explain how you think your company will be different from a commercial company providing similar services or products for individual or personal gain.

Activities

(Tell us here what the company is being set up to do)

How will the activity benefit the community?

(The community will benefit by...)

We plan to support people to make safe connections with like minded people based on their personalities, interests and location.

Adults with additional needs are very vulnerable to exploitation from friends and partners. We have met and heard from the families of many adults who have been victims of sexual, emotional, physical, as well as financial abuse, when in relationships or when searching for relationships and friendships online and in person. This service will help people to find the relationships and friendships they want, but in a much safer way. We will provide education about how people stay safe in relationships and friendships, by working with organisations such as Diverse and by providing mentoring ourselves. We plan to interview and reference check all potential members, and each match will have a chaperone for at least the first meeting, more if deemed necessary. Our Community Interest Company has no direct commercial competitors, other than those online services which are not tailored towards adults with additional needs. Those people with additional needs often turn to these websites, because, particularly in Cambridgeshire, there is no other option for them. We aim to be the safe alternative. We will charge people to join the agency, but any profits we make will allow the organisation to eventually become self-funding.

Organise group social events within the community

As well as matching like-minded people, we will also run social events to enable adults to access their local community and feel part of it. They will know that there is a safe and welcoming group where they can naturally build friendships and/or relationships, and have fun.

Set up workshops alongside our groups and one to one matches to offer education on things like personal safety, positive relationships and online safety.

We aim to help people develop skills they need to form relationships and friendships, this often does not come naturally, due to lack of understanding, social skills and communication issues.

We hope that our service will help our members to lead happier, safer and more independent lives.

If the company makes any surplus it will be used for... Re-investing into the business.

(Please continue on separate sheet if necessary.)

CHECKLIST

Have the first directors signed the CIC36?

Is the company name consistent throughout all documents being sent?

This form must be accompanied by the following documents:

- (a) Memorandum of Association
- (b) Articles of Association, which comply with requirements imposed by section 32 of the Act and Part 3 of the Regulations or which are otherwise appropriate in connection with becoming a community interest company
- (c) Form IN01- you need to indicate that the proposed company is adopting bespoke articles.
- (d) Any completed continuation sheets
- (e) A cheque or postal order for £35 made payable to Companies House

You do not have to give any contact information in the box opposite but if you do, it will help the Registrar of Companies to contact you if there is a query on the form. The contact information that you give will be visible to searchers of the public record.

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When you have completed and signed this form, please ensure it is placed at the top of your application and send it to the Registrar of Companies at:

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DX 33050 Cardiff

For companies registered in Scotland: Companies House, 4th Floor, Edinburgh Quay 2, 139 Fountainbridge, EH3 9FF DX 235 Edinburgh

For companies registered in Northern Ireland: Companies House, 2nd Floor, The Linenhall, 32-38 Linenhall Street, Belfast, BT2 8BG

NOTES

1 This form will be placed on the public record. Any information relevant to the application that you do not wish to appear on the public record, should be described in a separate letter addressed to the CIC Regulator and delivered to the Registrar of Companies with the other documents.