# **CIC 36**

## **Declarations on Formation of a Community Interest Company<sup>1</sup>**

Please complete in typescript, or in bold black capitals.

**Company Name in full** 

Counselling Rooms CiC

Community Interest Company

### SECTION A: COMMUNITY INTEREST STATEMENT – beneficiaries

 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<sup>2</sup>. [Insert a <u>short description of the community</u>, or <u>section of</u> <u>the community</u>, which it is intended that the company will benefit below]<sup>3</sup>

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

In particular the company's activities will be carried out for the benefit of people in need of accessing counselling services and who are unable to afford to pay commercial rates. The company's activities will also benefit counsellors who wish to build their businesses and market their services. **Counselling Rooms CiC** 

#### **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)	<b>How will the activity benefit the community?</b> (The community will benefit by)		
Provide a professional counselling space and other services at affordable rates to private counsellors who are willing to provide their services at reduced rates	Counselling is of great benefit to many people who suffer with a wide range of psychological problems. It is in high demand and is historically expensive - making it unaffordable for those on low incomes. The current economic situation has led to many free or low cost counselling services being closed or reduced, leaving a gap between supply and demand that cannot be met by the NHS alone. The company will make it possible for, and encourage, private counsellors to offer reduced rate counselling, particularly to people on low incomes, those in receipt of benefits and those who could otherwise not afford to pay for counselling themselves.		
Provide marketing and support services to private counsellors, assisiting them to build their businesses and benefit from economies of scale. Ensure that they pass on some of these benefits by providing reduced cost counselling to the public	Private counsellors have many overhead costs, including room hire, marketing and advertising costs which they have to recoup by incorporating them into their hourly rate. The company will offer marketing assistance in order to generate work for counsellors. The company will also offer them peer support and networking opportunities. In return the company will require them to offer a certain amount of low-cost counselling sessions to the public, thus increasing the supply of affordable counselling.		
If the company makes any surplus it will be used for Any surplus will be reinvested in the company to continue to support the work described above and to develop the company's activities.			

(Please continue on separate continuation sheet if necessary.)

#### **COMPANY NAME**

**Counselling Rooms CiC** 

#### **SECTION C:**

- 1. We/I, the undersigned, declare that the company in respect of which this application is made will not be:
  - (a) a political party;
  - (b) a political campaigning organisation; or
  - (c) a subsidiary of a political party or of a political campaigning organisation.<sup>4</sup>

#### **SECTION D: SIGNATORIES**

Each person who will be a	Signed	Date	28/6/11
first director of the	Signed	Date	28/6/11
company must sign the	Signed	Date	
declarations.	Signed	Date	
	Signed	Date	

(Please continue on separate continuation sheet if necessary.)

#### **CHECKLIST**

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 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.

	Tel
DX Number	DX Exchange

## When you have completed and signed the form, please send it to the Registrar of Companies at:

*For companies registered in England and Wales*: Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff, CF14 3UZ DX 33050 Cardiff

*For companies registered in Scotland*: Companies House, 4<sup>th</sup> 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

<sup>2</sup> The community interest test is referred to in section 35 of the Companies (Audit, Investigations and Community Enterprise) Act 2004 and is expanded upon in regulations 3, 4 & 5 of the Regulations.

<sup>3</sup> E.g. "the residents of Oldtown" or "those suffering from XYZ disease".

<sup>4</sup> A company is not eligible to be formed as a community interest company if it will be an "excluded company". If you are not sure whether the company which you wish to form falls into any of these categories, you should refer to the definitions of the terms "political party", "political campaigning organisation" and "subsidiary" (and of the related terms "election", "governmental authority", "public authority" and "referendum") in Regulation 2 of the Regulations before completing this form.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.