

Ethics form for student projects

SEAS group: Computer Science

Project title: Taxicoin

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Ethics questions

Please answer Yes or No to each of the following four questions:

1 - Does the project involve participants selected because of their links with the NHS/clinical practice or because of their professional roles within the NHS/clinical practice, or does the research take place within the NHS/clinical practice, or involve the use of video footage or other materials concerning patients involved in any kind of clinical practice? **No**

2 - Does the project involve any i) clinical procedures or ii) physical intervention or iii) penetration of the participant's body or iv) prescription of compounds additional to normal diet or other dietary manipulation/supplementation or v) collection of bodily secretions or vi) involve human tissue which comes within the Human Tissue Act? (eg surgical operations; taking body samples including blood and DNA; exposure to ionizing or other radiation; exposure to sound light or radio waves; psychophysiological procedures such as fMRI, MEG, TMS, EEG, ECG, exercise and stress procedures; administration of any chemical substances)? **No**

3 - Having reflected upon the ethical implications of the project and/or its potential findings, do you believe that that the research could be a matter of public controversy or have a negative impact on the reputation/standing of Aston University? **No**

4 - Does the project involve interaction with or the observation of human beings, either directly or remotely (eg via CCTV or internet), including surveys, questionnaires, interviews, blogs, etc?
Answer "no" if you are only asking adults to rate or review a product that has no upsetting or controversial content, you are not requesting any personal information, and the adults are Aston employees, students, or your own friends. **No**

Student's signature: Scott Street

Supervisor's signature: _____

Please submit this form as part of your Term 1 Progress Report. If any of the answers are "yes", you will need to complete an online application for ethics approval, which can be found at <https://www.ethics.aston.ac.uk> . You can log in with your usual Aston user name and password.