

# Chris Carabine

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## PERSONAL PROFILE

A versatile technically minded professional seeking a career change to become a Cloud and Data Engineer. Currently undertaking a Diploma Level 5 EQF, Full Stack Software Development course to develop web development skills, with the aim of completing an AWS Certified Solutions Architect course. Developed knowledge of HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Python, Django, Heroku, and GitHub. Analytical and methodical, continually looking for improvement. Trusted professional with a dependable reputation for managing complex projects and advising individuals on best course of action. Identifying and solving problems with innovative thinking and with the capacity to deal simultaneously with a number of rapidly changing and competing priorities; now looking to apply excellent transferable skills in order to achieve, excel and evolve in a technical support role.

## TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

HTML, CSS, Bootstrap, JavaScript, Python, Django, PostgreSQL, GitHub, Agile, remote learning through Code Institute management system

## KEY SKILLS

- Critical thinking
- Project management
- Automation
- Analytical problem solving
- Process improvement
- Risk analysis
- Effective communication
- Cross-functional collaboration
- Achieving strict deadlines
- Adaptable to change
- Accurate with attention to detail
- Technical understanding

## EDUCATION & TRAINING

**2021**

**Code Institute**

Diploma Level 5 EQF, Full Stack Software Development

**Technical skills gained:**

HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Python, Django, MySQL, GitHub

- Utilise technical skills to deliver numerous projects from inception to completion, identify and analyse core requirements and key features of projects

**Projects included: ( see GitHub readme files for details)**

- <https://coronavirusforum.herokuapp.com/>
- <https://people-payroll-application.herokuapp.com/>
- <https://ccarabine.github.io/memory-game/>
- <https://ccarabine.github.io/Churchbarn-holiday-let/>

**1998 - 2002**

**Oxford Brookes University**

BSc Software Engineering and Hospitality Management

## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Sep 2020 - Present

**Consultant** - Amoria

**Key Responsibilities:**

- Utilise commercial acumen and sector knowledge to create strategies to support a new business start-up
- Undertake technical research relating to manufacturing, food safety, staffing, and nutritional information

Feb 2020 - Mar 2020

**Contract Financial Analyst** - Reed Agency - Karium (FMCG)

**Key Responsibilities:**

- Tasked upon commencement to resolve a budgeting issue with the company, this was achieved by performing deep diving into a large dataset
- Supported with decision making by producing a variety of financial reports

Apr 2019 - Feb 2020

**General Manager** - Benugo Central Kitchen

**Key Responsibilities:**

- Held full operational management across the entire business, including compliance to all food safety and health and safety requirements
- Established relationships with an external software company to develop a bespoke additional functionality to the ordering/manufacturing system which met all business needs and optimised processes to increase efficiencies. to meet needs and streamline processes. This resulted in multiple customer groups having their own product list, pricing and agreed SLA's pre-programmed, new analytical reporting for both internal/external use and delivery notes with customer PO numbers
- Collated, analysed, and interpreted data to produce accurate and meaningful financial management information and financial forecasting
- Streamlined and improved ordering experience coupled with operational efficiency by introducing online ordering to Baxterstorey Customer Group

Jan 2014 - Apr 2019

**Finance and Projects Manager** - Benugo Clerkenwell Green

**Key Responsibilities:**

- Produced a variety of financial reports for the events group
- Managed and analysed the monthly trading accounts for the event group, maintaining accuracy and ensuring KPI's were met
- Full management of accounts, including processing sales/supplier invoices, stock transfers, banking, and payroll for Clerkenwell Green
- Led on development and setting of organisation's annual budget and long-term financial projections, in support of the overriding organisational strategy
- Managed all third party suppliers, assessed the strength of the supply chain network and devised practical and cost-effective solutions to streamline the process and achieve desired results
- Utilised technical expertise to redesign and build an automated spreadsheet, which acted as a crucial business tool, facilitating multiple venues with an operational schedule, recorded pipeline, including win/loss detail, financial reporting, such as breakdown of venue business and forecasting, plus individual salesperson statistics, enabling a full picture of the business
- Delivered time and cost efficiencies by building an automated quote system in Excel and PowerPoint, providing an end to end solution for sales, operations and finance departments, facilitating a fast and accurate quoting system with fixed but differing margins by product
- Applied commercial thinking to significantly enhance existing popup cafes, and bar business built client rapport and trust to promote repeat business. Increased Affordable Art Fair from one popup to three per year, increasing annual revenue by 367%, facilitating approximately 15,000-20,000 visitors per event
- Drove new business by securing Decorex, (£100k revenue across four days, 20,000 visitors, 4 cafes, 1 bar, plus VIP lounge), RHS London Shows, Tent London, Landscape Show, Collect, GBF, London Motor Show and British Art Fair

**Additional Employment History**

Mar 2012 - Jan 2014

**Events Operations Manager** - Benugo

Sep 2010 - Jan 2012

**General Manager Brooklands Museum** - Creativevents

Sep 2006 - Sep 2010

**Operations Director** - Mackintosh's Bespoke Caterer

**Additional Employment History Available Upon Request**

**ADDITIONAL EDUCATION & TRAINING**

City & Guilds (NVQ Level 4): Leadership, Territorial Army Officer Training Corps, Oxford University

BTEC Advanced GNVQ: Information Technology, Kingston College, Surrey

10 GCSEs (including Maths and English), The London Oratory School, London

**Professional Training:** Food safety Level 3, Health and safety Level 2, Allergy champion, First Aid, Personal Licence