

CIC 36

Declarations on Formation of a Community Interest Company

Company Name in Full

OpenCulinary C.I.C.

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.

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

Individuals and families seeking to discover and prepare healthy, affordable food & nutrition matching any dietary constraints they may have.

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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	How will the activity benefit the community?
Developing and operating a free recipe search engine	<p>The community will benefit from free, online public access to a smart recipe search engine which helps individuals and families make the most of the ingredients they have available to them.</p> <p>As a website and also as a smartphone application, the search engine will provide simple and effective tools for diverse community members with varying dietary requirements, time limits, economic constraints and cooking experience.</p> <p>The search engine will not be funded by advertising, financial sponsors, or by selling user data -- and as such the content and features it includes will be led by (and cater to) the community’s requirements as opposed to outside interests.</p>

<p>Developing and operating a free meal planner</p>	<p>The community will benefit from access to a free online meal planner, which will assist with scheduling of meals both for individuals and group meals with family and friends.</p> <p>This will provide relief and assistance to community members in the important and potentially time-consuming tasks of kitchen stock management and ingredient shopping.</p> <p>At present this kind of planning can and is often done on paper, and there are for-profit businesses which are starting to provide similar online meal planning tools.</p> <p>OpenCulinary differentiates itself by taking a strong stance on privacy. All user data is stored on each user's own devices and is never shared with – let alone sold to – the service or any third party. This follows a set of principles for developing 'local-first software'.</p> <p>Over time we believe that building tools which strongly respect user privacy will provide a great service to the community and also build their deserved trust and feedback, leading to further service improvements.</p> <p>The service will allow users to 'send' the shopping list for their meal plan to online supermarkets in order to arrange delivery <i>if they choose to</i>, but this will always be an optional feature and the service will always provide meal planning without the need to create any user accounts or interact with any third-party food suppliers.</p>
<p>If the company makes any surplus it will be used for...</p>	<p>Further investments within the company to improve the service provided, including but not limited to: increasing the number of recipes and ingredients included in the service, improving accessibility and translating the service for user in other languages, improving the level of detail and accuracy of ingredient information, providing relevant cooking education and guidance, and providing documentation to users.</p>

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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.

SECTION D:

Signed



Date

20th November 2019