

CIC 34

Community Interest Company Report

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Company Name in full 1ORadio CIC

Company Number 6004254

Year Ending 31 December 2007

This template illustrates what the Regulator of Community Interest Companies considers to be best practice for completing a simplified community interest company report. All such reports must be delivered in accordance with section 34 of the Companies (Audit, Investigations and Community Enterprise) Act 2004 and contain the information required by Part 7 of the Community Interest Company Regulations 2005. For further guidance see chapter 8 of the Regulator's guidance notes and the alternate example provided for a more complex company with more detailed notes.

PART 1 - GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE COMPANY'S ACTIVITIES

In the space provided below, please insert a general account of the company's activities in the financial year to which the report relates, including a fair and accurate description of how they have benefited the community, or section of the community, which the company is intended to serve.

This is 1ORadio's first annual report.

1ORadio incorporated in November 2006 with the purpose of providing a community radio service for the Ten Parishes around Wiveliscombe and Milverton on the edge of Exmoor in Somerset. At the same time as incorporating, we applied to Ofcom for a Community Radio Licence which would enable us to broadcast year round on FM for five years.

In January 2007 we were informed that we had been successful and that we had two years to start broadcasting. 2007 was therefore spent securing resources and making all the necessary arrangements to broadcast from January 2008. Our activities included:

- Securing over £10,000 in grants and donations towards our start-up costs.
- Raising public awareness through press and media work (including articles in local papers, appearances on local BBC radio, articles in community magazines, operating our own website www.1ORadio.org, and through our own email group of 80 members from within the local community).
- Holding community meetings to which members of the public were invited to meet past presenters, use the equipment, discuss the start-up process and share ideas for broadcast.
- Holding monthly Directors meetings which were open to anyone to attend.
- Establishing sub-committees to be responsible for defined areas of activity.
- Attending local events, such as the Brewfest and the community carnival, to raise awareness of 1ORadio.
- Arranging broadcast licences.

- Securing and adapting premises to house the broadcast studio and ancillary accommodation.
- Identifying and obtaining the necessary permissions for the transmitter site.
- Acquiring and adapting all the broadcast equipment.
- Budgeting and business planning.
- Drafting operational policies.
- Running training programmes in many aspects of making and broadcasting radio programmes.
- Running a youth engagement and training programme and launching a Youth Forum.
- Promoting 1ORadio to students and teachers at Kingsmead school.

In this time, 1ORadio was entirely managed by volunteers including ten Directors who were all local residents. All the work in setting up 1ORadio was undertaken by volunteers with the exception of some additional project management capacity which was bought in. Trainers, most of whom were also from the local community, were paid on a sessional basis.

1ORadio met its target and started broadcasting in January 2008.

The next year will focus on establishing our schedule of programming in line with our commitments to Ofcom, at increasing the level of community involvement in our programming, at developing income streams, at raising awareness of 1ORadio in the local community, and at increasing the number of volunteers who are helping out behind the scenes.

PART 2 – CONSULTATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS – Please indicate who the company's stakeholders are; how the stakeholders have been consulted and what action, if any, has the company taken in response to feedback from its consultations? If there has been no consultation, this should be made clear.

1ORadio's stakeholders are all members of the local community i.e. those who live, work, are being educated or trained in the Ten Parish area, or who share their interests. Our ethos has always been to invite the participation and involvement of everyone locally. We work almost entirely on a consensus basis while encouraging people to take responsibility and initiate their own ideas.

This approach to community engagement is underpinned by our formal structures and working approach. To this end, all the Directors of 1ORadio are members of the community and all ten of the Directors meetings in 2007 were held in open forum having been advertised via our website and email group of 80 members. We also held two more informal community meetings which were a chance for ideas to be shared.

The email group is an established forum for debate which is open to anyone in the area who wishes to join.

The contributions of our stakeholders have informed and directed our decision making throughout 2007.

PART 3 – DIRECTORS’ REMUNERATION – Please insert details of any remuneration received by the Directors, even if already stated in the accounts. If no remuneration was received you must state that “no remuneration was received” below.

No remuneration was received

PART 4 – TRANSFERS OF ASSETS OTHER THAN FOR FULL CONSIDERATION – Please insert full details of any transfers of assets other than for full consideration e.g. Donations to outside bodies. If this does not apply you must state that “no transfer of assets other than for full consideration has been made” below.

No transfer of assets other than for full consideration has been made.

(N.B. Please enclose a cheque for £15 payable to Companies House or the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment, as appropriate)

PART 5 – SIGNATORY

The original report must be signed by a director or secretary of the company

Signed Date

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 the form please send it to the Registrar of Companies:

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