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### **PRACTICE NOTE**

January 2024

## **Requirements re stationery etc and publicity/fundraising materials for:** A community interest company (CIC) limited by guarantee

Pursuant to company law, CICs must include the following on all correspondence and official documents including letters, invoices, email footers, the company's website and on publicity and fundraising materials:

- the full registered name of the company (irrespective of whether or not the company operates under a "trading as" name);
- the fact that the company is a CIC: usually by setting out the company's full name which will include either "Community Interest Company" or "CIC" at the end of the name;
- the company's registered number;
- the fact that the company is a company limited by guarantee;
- where the company is registered; and
- its registered office address.

#### Naming the directors

If you want to include directors' names, you must list ALL of them.

#### Example wording

Please see below an example of how you might comply with the above requirements:

[Insert full name of company] [Community Interest Company][CIC], a company limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales, company number [insert company number], whose registered office is at [insert address of registered office].

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#### Displaying the company name and status at its registered office

The name and status of the company should also be displayed at its registered office; any other place where it carries on business; or where its statutory registers are available for inspection by the public (except where such address is residential/living accommodation).

#### Consequences of failure to comply with disclosure requirements

A breach of any the requirements referred to in this note may have civil and criminal law consequences, including that the company and/or its directors may be liable on summary conviction to a fine.

#### Further disclosure

Please note that as well as the above general rules, there may be other legislation and regulations applicable to the company which may require further disclosure.

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