

OFFICE OF THE REGULATOR OF  
COMMUNITY INTEREST  
COMPANIES

QUARTERLY REPORT

April – June  
2008

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## **Organisational Structure**

Regulator:	Sara Burgess
Deputy Regulator:	Julie Court
Office Manager:	Phil Horrell
Case Manager:	Ann Hunt
Case Manager:	Jaci Mead
Case Manager:	James Stimson
Operational Support Officer:	Helen Huish

Johnny Bryon left the CIC Office on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2008  
Jaci Mead joined the CIC Office on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2008

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## **Legislation**

The Companies (Audit, Investigations and Community Enterprise Act 2004 (the "Act"), the Community Interest Company Regulations 2005 and The Companies Act 2006 (Commencement No.2 Consequential Amendments, Transition Provisions and Savings) Order 2007.

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## **Events and Meetings**

The Regulator **attended:**

- Business Advice Networking
- Centre of Excellence in Sustainable Community Conference
- Launch of CIC Forum

The Regulator **exhibited at:**

- Ethical Expo 2008

The Regulator was **interviewed via telephone by:**

- PACEC to discuss research for Birmingham Chamber of Commerce on the evaluation of REALISE, a social enterprise micro-cluster pilot project
- Social Enterprise West Midlands for a 'think piece' article on CICs for circulation to their members

The Regulator **met with:**

- BERR
- Charity Technology Trust
- FSA
- Healthcare Services
- National Assembly for Wales
- Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust
- Royal National College for the Blind
- SEC
- The Tool Factory

The Regulator **presented at:**

- CAVS & CAVO Workshop
- Croydon Voluntary Action Workshop
- Erlestone Social Enterprise
- Excel Conference
- Directory of Social Change and Community Matters
- Merthyr Tydfil Council Workshop
- NCompass
- Northern Ireland CIC Event
- S2S Trade Fair
- Skillbuilders
- Social Enterprise Joint Working Group
- UnLtd Unconference
- Withers LLP
- Worcestershire County Council Promotional Event

The Deputy Regulator **attended:**

- Launch of CIC Forum

The Deputy Regulator **met with:**

- BERR
  - FSA
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### **Awareness Exercises**

The CIC Office wrote to the following organisations in order to raise awareness of community interest companies and offer the opportunity to meet the Regulator:

- Vale of White Horse District Council

The CIC Office wrote to the following accountancy firms in order to raise awareness of community interest companies through placement of an article in their practice website/magazine publications:

- Association of Accounting Technicians
  - Association of Chartered Certified Accountants
  - Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales
  - Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland
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## Administration

During this quarter the Office of the Regulator of Community Interest Companies has dealt with:

<b>This quarter</b>		<b>Previous Quarter</b>	
<b>1,029</b>	Telephone enquiries	<b>859</b>	Telephone enquiries
<b>552</b>	E-mail enquiries	<b>460</b>	E-mail enquiries
<b>1,016</b>	Briefing packs issued	<b>907</b>	Briefing packs issued
<b>1,776</b>	Leaflets issued	<b>1,465</b>	Leaflets issued
<b>21,202</b>	Unique web visitors	<b>18,978</b>	Unique web visitors
<b>556,511</b>	Web Hits	<b>521,616</b>	Web Hits

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## Website Updates

The following information was made available on our website  
[www.cicregulator.gov.uk](http://www.cicregulator.gov.uk):

Additions to our website include:

- Information for Funders updated “Do charitable foundations fund CICs”
  - Link to Bankruptcy and Becoming Bankrupt
  - Link to “CIC Forum: Background and Objectives” included on Home Page
  - Link to Society Media
  - Scottish Housing Regulator logo
  - Spruce Carpet Tiles CIC wins the title of Social Enterprise of the Year 2008 at the prestigious Scottish Business in the Community Awards
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### **Annual Community Interest Company Reports**

All the directors of a company have an additional obligation to prepare an Annual Community Interest Report to be filed with their accounts. The purpose of the report is to show that the community interest company is still satisfying the Community Interest Test and that it is engaging appropriately with its stakeholders, in carrying out activities which benefit the community.

To date the Regulator has reviewed **400** Annual Community Interest Reports of which **101** were in this quarter.

### **Annual Community Interest Reports Approved**

<b>This quarter</b>	<b>Previous quarter</b>	<b>Total on Register</b>
<b>101</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>400</b>

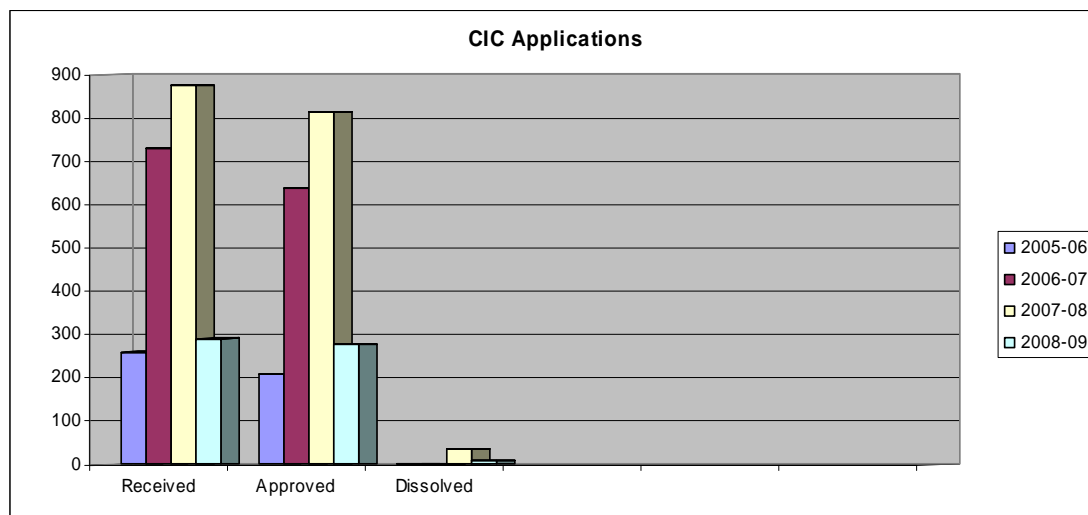
## Statistics

The tables which follow provide statistical data on the:

- 1 **Status of applications received and processed**
- 2 **Numbers of community interest companies on the Register**
- 3 **Types of community interest companies on the Register**
- 4 **Regions covered by the community interest companies on the Register**
- 5 **Sectors covered by the community interest companies on the Register**

### 1. Analysis of the status of applications received and processed

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	Total
RECEIVED	260	729	873	291	2,153
APPROVED	208	637	814	278	1,937
INELIGIBLE	1	0	0	0	1
DISSOLVED	0	0	35	8	43
CHARITIES CONVERTED TO CIC	0	1	1	1	3
CICs CONVERTED TO CHARITY	0	0	3	0	3



**2. Analysis of the number of community interest companies on the Register at 30 June 2008**

<b>United Kingdom</b>	
Incorporations	<b>1,617</b>
Conversions	<b>274</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,891</b>
<b>England</b>	
Incorporations	<b>1,498</b>
Conversions	<b>259</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,757</b>
<b>Northern Ireland</b>	
Incorporations	<b>7</b>
Conversions	<b>1</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Scotland</b>	
Incorporations	<b>61</b>
Conversions	<b>10</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>71</b>
<b>Wales</b>	
Incorporations	<b>51</b>
Conversions	<b>4</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>55</b>

**3. Analysis of the type of community interest companies on the Register at 30 June 2008**

<b>United Kingdom</b>	
PLC	<b>0</b>
Private	
Incorporations CLG	<b>1,258</b>
Incorporations CLS	<b>359</b>
Conversions CLG	<b>125</b>
Conversions CLS	<b>146</b>
Charities converted to a community interest company	<b>3</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,891</b>
<b>England</b>	
PLC	<b>0</b>
Private	
Incorporations CLG	<b>1,170</b>
Incorporations CLS	<b>328</b>
Conversions CLG	<b>117</b>
Conversions CLS	<b>139</b>
Charities converted to a community interest company	<b>3</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,757</b>
<b>Northern Ireland</b>	
PLC	<b>0</b>
Private	
Incorporations CLG	<b>4</b>
Incorporations CLS	<b>3</b>
Conversions CLG	<b>0</b>
Conversions CLS	<b>1</b>
Charities converted to a community interest company	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Scotland</b>	
PLC	<b>0</b>
Private	
Incorporations CLG	<b>43</b>
Incorporations CLS	<b>18</b>
Conversions CLG	<b>5</b>
Conversions CLS	<b>5</b>
Charities converted to a community interest company	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>71</b>

<b>Wales</b>	
PLC	<b>0</b>
Private Companies	
Incorporations CLG	<b>41</b>
Incorporations CLS	<b>10</b>
Conversions CLG	<b>3</b>
Conversions CLS	<b>1</b>
Charities converted to a community interest company	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>55</b>

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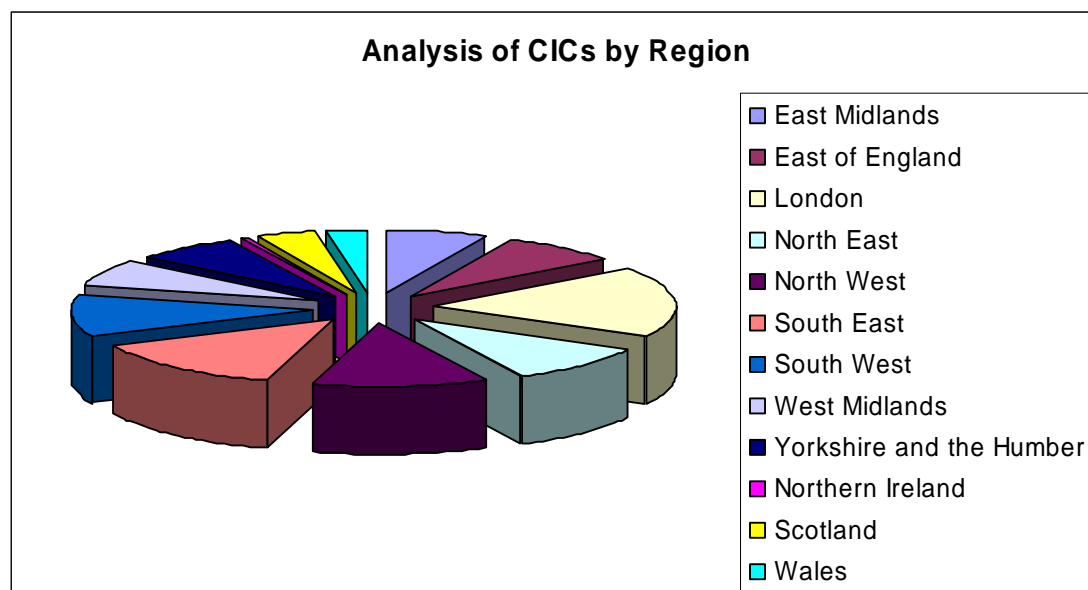
**4. Analysis of community interest companies converted to a charity at 30 June 2008**

<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>This quarter</b>	<b>Previous quarter</b>	<b>From 25 July 2005 todate</b>
<b>England</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Northern Ireland</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Scotland</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Wales</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>

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## 5. Location of community interest companies on the Register at 30 June 2008

Location of registered office	Number	%
East Midlands	126	7%
East of England	154	8%
London	347	17%
North East	181	10%
North West	219	11%
South East	263	14%
South West	205	11%
West Midlands	126	7%
Yorkshire and the Humber	136	7%
Northern Ireland	8	1%
Scotland	71	4%
Wales	55	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,891</b>	<b>100%</b>



## 6. Analysis of community interest companies dissolved

<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>This quarter</b>	<b>Previous quarter</b>	<b>From 25 July to date</b>
Defunct	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>11</b>
Voluntary	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>43</b>

<b>England</b>	<b>This quarter</b>	<b>Previous quarter</b>	<b>From 25 July to date</b>
Defunct	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>11</b>
Voluntary	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>40</b>

<b>Northern Ireland</b>	<b>This quarter</b>	<b>Previous quarter</b>	<b>From 25 July to date</b>
Defunct	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Voluntary	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

<b>Scotland</b>	<b>This quarter</b>	<b>Previous quarter</b>	<b>From 25 July to date</b>
Defunct	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Voluntary	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>

<b>Wales</b>	<b>This quarter</b>	<b>Previous quarter</b>	<b>From 25 July to date</b>
Defunct	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Voluntary	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

**7. Analysis by sector of the community interest companies on the Register**

<b>United Kingdom</b>	
Group A - Agriculture, Hunting and Forestry	7
Group B - Fishing	0
Group C - Mining & Quarrying	0
Group D - Manufacturing	49
Group E - Electricity, Gas and Water Supply	18
Group F - Construction	9
Group G - Wholesale, Retail; Certain Repair	66
Group H - Hotels and Restaurants	38
Group I - Transport, Storage & Communication	53
Group J - Financial Intermediation	19
Group K - Real Estate, Renting & Business	377
Group L - Public Administration & Defence	19
Group M - Education	402
Group N - Health and Social Work	308
Group O - Other Social & Personal Services	667
Group P - Private Households with Employees	1
Group Q - Extra Territorial Organisations	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,034</b>
<b>England</b>	
Group A - Agriculture, Hunting and Forestry	6
Group B - Fishing	0
Group C - Mining & Quarrying	0
Group D - Manufacturing	37
Group E - Electricity, Gas and Water Supply	15
Group F - Construction	7
Group G - Wholesale, Retail; Certain Repair	58
Group H - Hotels and Restaurants	34
Group I - Transport, Storage & Communication	51
Group J - Financial Intermediation	18
Group K - Real Estate, Renting & Business	356
Group L - Public Administration & Defence	19
Group M - Education	376
Group N - Health and Social Work	300
Group O - Other Social & Personal Services	613
Group P - Private Households with Employees	0
Group Q - Extra Territorial Organisations	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,891</b>

<b>Northern Ireland</b>	
Group A - Agriculture, Hunting and Forestry	0
Group B - Fishing	0
Group C - Mining & Quarrying	0
Group D - Manufacturing	0
Group E - Electricity, Gas and Water Supply	1
Group F - Construction	0
Group G - Wholesale, Retail; Certain Repair	0
Group H - Hotels and Restaurants	0
Group I - Transport, Storage & Communication	0
Group J - Financial Intermediation	0
Group K - Real Estate, Renting & Business	3
Group L - Public Administration & Defence	0
Group M – Education	1
Group N - Health and Social Work	0
Group O - Other Social & Personal Services	3
Group P - Private Households with Employees	0
Group Q - Extra Territorial Organisations	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>

<b>Scotland</b>	
Group A - Agriculture, Hunting and Forestry	1
Group B - Fishing	0
Group C - Mining & Quarrying	0
Group D - Manufacturing	7
Group E - Electricity, Gas and Water Supply	1
Group F - Construction	2
Group G - Wholesale, Retail; Certain Repair	5
Group H - Hotels and Restaurants	2
Group I - Transport, Storage & Communication	2
Group J - Financial Intermediation	1
Group K - Real Estate, Renting & Business	5
Group L - Public Administration & Defence	0
Group M - Education	13
Group N - Health and Social Work	7
Group O - Other Social & Personal Services	30
Group P - Private Households with Employees	0
Group Q - Extra Territorial Organisations	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>76</b>

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**Wales**

Group A - Agriculture, Hunting and Forestry	0
Group B - Fishing	0
Group C - Mining & Quarrying	0
Group D - Manufacturing	5
Group E - Electricity, Gas and Water Supply	1
Group F - Construction	0
Group G - Wholesale, Retail; Certain Repair	3
Group H - Hotels and Restaurants	2
Group I - Transport, Storage & Communication	0
Group J - Financial Intermediation	0
Group K - Real Estate, Renting & Business	13
Group L - Public Administration & Defence	0
Group M - Education	12
Group N - Health and Social Work	1
Group O - Other Social & Personal Services	21
Group P - Private Households with Employees	1
Group Q - Extra Territorial Organisations	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>59</b>

**NB: Group O - Other Social and Personal Services includes:**  
Physical Well Being Activities; Sporting Activities; Radio and Television  
Activities and Artistic and Literary Activities

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