

Nominet Foundation

The idea of a Nominet Foundation was floated in 2005 and we are now proposing to create a Nominet Foundation as a charity and company limited by guarantee, with a first year donation of £5m.
Please read the full details of the proposal on Nominet's web site.
This survey contains four questions.

This document contains respondents between 23 and 23 inclusive.

1. What do you think about the proposal for a Nominet Foundation?

Very sensible - there are few philanthropic resources in the UK interested in smart and impactful social uses of the Internet, and none with the capacity to evaluate the quality of projects as Nominet would be.

2. What are your views on the types of potential beneficiaries and are there any you would like added to this list?

We would encourage you to add the class of organisation that builds tools of direct benefits to citizens. This class of organisation is often less visible than those which encourage people to use pre-existing tools, but is a crucial source both of innovation and public good.

3. What projects or organisations are you aware of that could benefit from a grant from the Nominet Foundation?

Our own - mySociety.org , a charity-based non-partisan democracy hackers group who run many of the best known civic and democratic websites in the UK, from TheyWorkForYou.com to PledgeBank.com to FixMyStreet.com

Furthermore there are other small organisations and companies like ukvillages.co.uk which offer extensive help to local communities across the UK on tiny and often insecure budgets.

4. What other comments do you have?

Please make sure that you are capable of awarding funding not just to groups like mySociety who have some initial funding and a legal entity already set up. Many good new ideas for social uses of the net come from people with no organisation and no money - please make sure you can help them, somewhat in the manner of UnLTD.

5. Please give us your contact details

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