Structure	Simple	Private	Constitution	Separate Membership	Profit	Trading	Charitable?	Limited Liability	Regulator
Sole Trader	Yes	Yes	None	None	Yes	Yes	No	No	None
Partnership	Yes	Yes	Stat provisions & partnership deed	None	Yes	Yes	No	No	None
Limited Liability Partnership	No	No	Stat provisions & partnership deed	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Companies House
Company (Shares)	No	No	Table A / Schedule 1 Model	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Companies House
Company (Guarantee)	No	No	Table C / Schedule 2 Model	Yes	No	Yes (limited if charitable)	Maybe (if charitable objectives)	Yes	Companies House (and Charity Commission)
Company (CIC)	No	No	Model constitutions based on Sch1 or Sch2	Yes	Limited	Yes (for community)	No	Yes	Companies House and CIC Regulator
Trust	Yes	Yes	Trust Deed	None	No	Yes (limited if charitable)	Maybe (if charitable objectives)	No	Charity Commission if charitable
Association	Yes	Yes	Rule book	Yes	Maybe	Yes (limited if charitable)	Maybe (if charitable objectives)	No	Charity Commission if charitable
Charitable Incorporated Organisation	No	No	Constitution (Association / Foundation)	Yes (Association)	No	Yes (limited)	Yes	Yes	Charity Commission
Registered Society (Community Benefit Society)	No (the most complex)	No	Community Benefit Society Rules	Yes	Limited	Yes (for community)	(if charitable objectives)	Yes	Financial Conduct Authority
Registered Society (Co-Operative)	No (the most complex)	No	Co-operative Rules	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Financial Conduct Authority

NB: Charities / Credit Unions / Industrial and Provident Societies / Friendly Societies / Public Bodies / Universities and Colleges / Statutory Bodies / Royal Charter organisations / Livery companies / Joint Ventures / Collaborations / Federations / Groups / Social Enterprises