DocDuck Financial Business Plan

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1 The Product

DocDuck's aim is to create a product that is able to provide businesses with an application that can increase the efficiency of a maintenance engineering team. This is achieved by providing an easy and efficient way for engineers to access, edit, track and create documentation, as well as provide clear and easy communication between admins, operators and engineers. The project is expected to run over the course of 37 weeks (from the w/c 25th September 2023 - w/c 3rd June 2024).

2 Operation Costs

2.1 Labour

In order to create this product, our company needs to secure financial backing to cover the costs of several areas, the first and foremost of these being labour costs. Throughout the first semester, hours have fluctuated, as seen in table 1. This is due to numerous reasons, including vacation weeks and working to meet deadlines. From the w/c 6th November to the w/c 4th December, the team has on average put in 36 hours a week total, in order to successfully meet numerous deadlines, which has cost roughly £720.00, at £20.00 per person per hour. This provides a good basis in regards to estimated hours. Over the vacation period it is expected that not much work will take place, except for the potential for a weekly meeting, and so for the 3 weeks, 10 hours of work is budgeted which is £200.00 per week. For the remainder of Semester 1 and all of Semester 2, 50 hours a week on average should be considered a good estimate - it accounts for 2 standard deviations above the average, given the worked periods stated above, which should provide enough time during the week to accomplish all tasks. Thus, for all weeks that are not timetabled as vacation, it is budgeted at 50 hours of work per week, which is £1,000.00 a week.

2.2 Rent

The 2nd cost that needs addressing is the rent; our team has been allocated a 1,400sq foot office space, which costs £23.50 per sq foot per annum. This totals £32,900.00 for the year. This is one of the overhead charges that is paid every 4 weeks.

2.3 External Licences

The 3rd cost is for the appropriate licences for all applications, tools, media, libraries and APIs:

2.3.1 IDEs & Java JDKs

- InteliJ IDEA Ultimate: £479.00 per person for a perpetual fallback license first year. However a start up company scheme which is applicable for our company reduces it price by 50% for the first 5 years total price: £239.50 (only 1 user needed for scene-builder and UI design preference). [1]
- Eclipse: Open source for commercial use therefore free to use. [2]
- Java JDK 11 with JavaFX: Using Open-source versions of APIs which can be used commercially therefore free to use. [3]

2.3.2 UX & Graphic Design Licences

- Photopea (free alternative to Adobe Photoshop): Advert based and commercially viable [4]
- Figma (UX Design and CCS converter): Billed £11 per editor/month which amounts to £132 Annually for 1 user. [5]
- Font Licences: Google Fonts are free for commercial use. [6]
- Graphic Licences: photography of Duck: £20 full use [7]

2.3.3 External Libraries

VLCJ: Within a contract TBC however is free for commercial use due to the library being open source.

2.4 Additional Overheads

The 4th cost is for the use of utilities. They cost £150.00 per week, and are made up of £100.00 per week for IT, and £50.00 per week for utilities (ie. water, gas, waste disposal etc). This totals £6,000.00 and is also to be paid every 4 weeks.

2.4.1 Technology and Hardware

To meet the requirements for our product, extra hardware will be required for the back-end of the application to hold the databases and information. The main cost amongst this will be servers for communicating with the software to store all data and media files.

Initially we will use a 3rd party VPS provider whilst we are establishing ourselves, however in the future we plan to upgrade to high quality dedicated servers we run ourselves to give us more flexibility and control over the setup.

The cost of a 3rd party VPS with Oracle Cloud Infrastructure (OCI) would be paid per CPU core and GB of memory per hour used. The table below shows the costs per hour for a virtual machine with an ARM A1 processor:

Hardware	Cost Per Hour	Total cost (37 weeks)
2 x OCPU @ 3.0GHz	£0.015974	£99.29
2 x 1 GB RAM (2GB RAM)	£0.002396	£14.89
–	**Full Total:**	**£114.18**

Table 1: Arm A1 virtual machine costs per client [8]

2.5 Cost Expenditure Table

All of the costs for the company are laid out in the table below, which dictates weekly expenditure:

Week:	Labour Hours:	Labour Costs:	Utilities:	Rent:	Licences & Contracts:
W/C 25th Sep	11.25	£225.00	£600	£3,290.00	£3.09
W/C 2nd Oct	9	£180.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 9th Oct	9	£180.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 16th Oct	13.5	£270.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 23rd Oct	14	£270.00	£600	£3,290.00	£23.09
W/C 30th Oct	15	£300.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 6th Nov	42	£830.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 13th Nov	38	£760.00	£0	£0.00	£135.09
W/C 20th Nov	23	£460.00	£600	£3,290.00	£242.59
W/C 27th Nov	42	£830.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 4th Dec	36	£720.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 11th Dec	36	£400.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 18th Dec	10	£200.00	£600	£3,290.00	£2003.09*
W/C 25th Dec	10	£200.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 1st Jan	10	£200.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 8th Jan	50	£1000.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 15th Jan	50	£1000.00	£600	£3,290.00	£3.09
W/C 22nd Jan	50	£1000.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 29th Jan	50	£1000.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 5th Feb	50	£1000.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 12th Feb	50	£1000.00	£600	£3,290.00	£3.09
W/C 19th Feb	50	£1000.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 26th Feb	50	£1000.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 4th Mar	50	£1000.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 11th Mar	50	£1000.00	£600	£3,290.00	£3.09
W/C 18th Mar	50	£1000.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 25th Mar	10	£200.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 1st Apr	10	£200.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 8th Apr	50	£1000.00	£600	£3,290.00	£3.09
W/C 15th Apr	50	£1000.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 22nd Apr	50	£1000.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 29th Apr	50	£1000.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 6th May	50	£1000.00	£600	£3,290.00	£3.09
W/C 13th May	50	£1000.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 20th May	50	£1000.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 27th May	50	£1000.00	£0	£0.00	£3.09
W/C 3rd June	50	£1000.00	£600	£3,290.00	£3.09
TOTALS:	1338.75	£26,775.00	£6,000.00	£32,900.00	£2505.68
–	–	–	–	**Full Total:**	**£68,180.68**

Table 2: Company Cost Table

*Contracts have been negotiated but are yet to be signed for the £2000 deal and in turn would be net-neutral as shown in Section 3: Contracts

2.6 Loan

As is seen in the table, the overall total required to meet these costs is £68,066.50, which is what our company requires to break-even. The loan we require from the Financial Backer would be for the sum of £70,000.00, in order to make sure we have assets to account for over-budgeting.

2.7 Interest

The interest needing to be paid is 16.86% of £70,000.00, which is £11,802.00, making the total amount needed to pay off the loan and interest £81,802.00.

3 Contracts

3.1 Contracts with BookCook Limited

Figure 1: Bookcook logo: courtesy of BookCook Limited

3.1.1 BookCook Contribution: Video

A contract has been agreed for DocDuck to purchase a video media handler from BookCook for a value of £1,000.00 total. It has also been agreed that BookCook will provide maintenance of the handler in the case of discovered errors.
This is to fill the full specification requirements, being able to change: source file and position on screen

3.1.2 BookCook Contribution: Audio

A contract has been agreed for DocDuck to purchase an audio media handler from BookCook for a value of £1,000.00 total. It has also been agreed that BookCook will provide maintenance of the handler in the case of discovered errors.
This is to fill the full specification requirements, being able to change the source file

3.1.3 DocDuck Contribution: Graphics

A contract has been agreed for DocDuck to sell a graphics handler to BookCook for a value of £1,000.00 total. It has also been agreed that we will will provide maintenance of the handler in the case of discovered errors.
This is to fill the full specification requirements, being able to add or change: circles, lines, solids, colour, shading, position on screen, size, duration

3.1.4 DocDuck Contribution: Text

A contract has been agreed for DocDuck to sell a text handler to BookCook for a value of £1,000.00 total. It has also been agreed that we will will provide maintenance of the handler in the case of discovered errors.
This is to fill the full specification requirements, being able to change: source file, size, colour, font, position on screen, duration.

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