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# The mutual advantage Simplyhealth's purpose journey to becoming a B Corp

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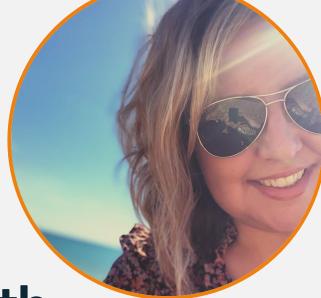
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# Purpose, people and planet

Caring for ourselves and each other starts with caring for the world we live in.

We're the first UK health insurer to be awarded B Corp status in line with our purpose and values, recognising our commitments to our employees, our customers, our communities, and the environment.

Proud to be a



### Leading with purpose

- ESG at Simplyhealth
- The B Corp movement
- B Corp Trailblazers
- The B Corp certification process
- Simplyhealth's B Corp journey
- Embedding B Corp
- Evolving B Corp standards from 2024
- B-Hive Community



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### B Corp – the 'so what?' for Simplyhealth



Simplyhealth has been walking the path to **do good in the world** for decades (since 1872):

- through our positive impact on the **environment**
- in the way we contribute to **society**
- and by governing ourselves in a responsible way

Becoming B Corp certified:

- is our genuine (and legal) commitment to uphold our Purpose, our values and beliefs
- gives us a framework to measure our actions, hold ourselves accountable and continuously improve our business
- gives us the chance to support other businesses become a force for good to carry the beacon that others can follow.

One day, we won't be the only UK health insurer to have achieved B Corp status. We can't wait for that day.

### The B Corp movement

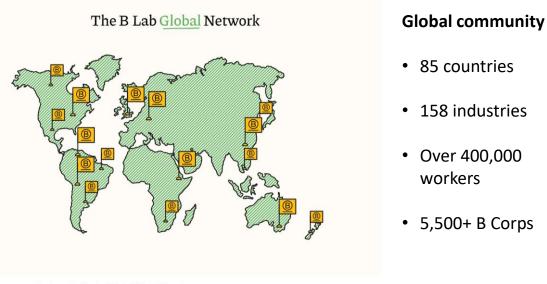
While becoming a B Corp is often referred to as a 'certification', it's so much more than that.

Over 15 years ago, the B Corp movement began with a vision of a new way of doing business: one that would bring **benefit not just to shareholders, but** <u>all</u> **stakeholders**.

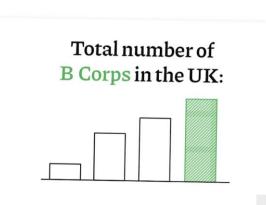
This ambitious vision was one that required large-scale changes to our economic system. Systemic change is neither simple, nor easy. It requires leadership.

Today, Simplyhealth is adding momentum to this important movement – one that is shifting the purpose and image business. We are modelling both the behaviours and the governance structures that require widespread adoption – a new kind of business, balancing profit, with people and planet.

Together, B Corps are transforming the global economy, and using business as a force for good.



The B Corp movement is stewarded by the B Lab Global Network



#### UK community

- 57 industries
- Over 46,400 workers
- Nearly 1000 B Corps



### **B** Corp Trailblazers





Patagonia's billionaire owner gives away company to fight climate crisis

Founder Yvon Chouinard announced that all the company's profits will go into saving the planet





Ben & Jerry's joins Tony's mission.. .. to make chocolate 100% slave free

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#### we think everyone has a right to #KnowAddedSugar

There's an added sugar crisis in the UK. So, we're on a mission to shine a light on how much added sugar is in the nation's favourite snacks, so that you can make informed choices when it comes to the best time of the day (snack time).





### The B Corp certification process

The B Impact Assessment by B Lab sets the highest standards of social and environmental performance. There are five categories and 179 separate review items to provide evidence against, aligned to the 17 UN Sustainable Development Goals for 2030:



### Simplyhealth's B Corp journey

In July 2022, Simplyhealth completed it's 18 month assessment process and was certified as the **UK's first** health insurer to become a B Corp.

Simplyhealth will re-certify in July 2025 and every three years thereafter.

#### Minimum pass score required

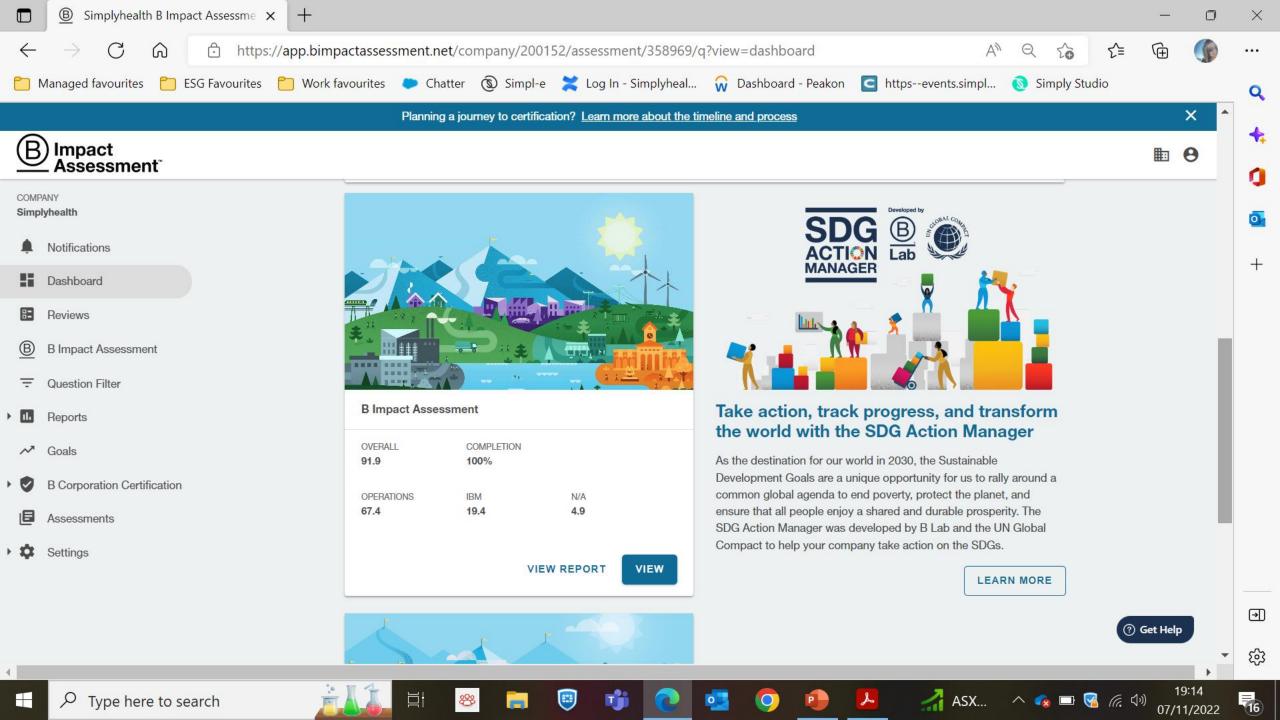
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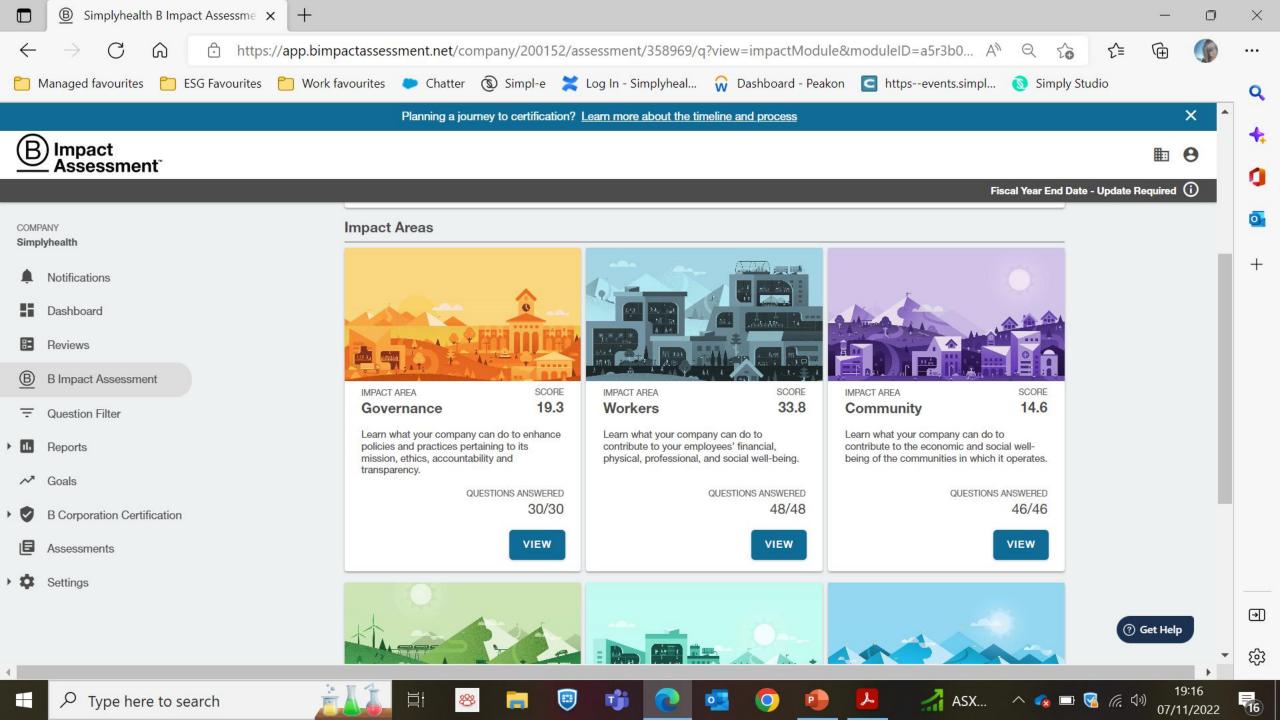
Simplyhealth's verified total score











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### Simplyhealth's celebrations!

Part of being responsible for the future of this planet is making sure we are environmentally, socially and governance wise, top notch. It is a huge thing for our company because it shows we're taking our responsibilities very seriously. It is a beacon for us to carry in front of others.

#### Dr Sneh Khemka, Chief Executive

(announcing Simplyhealth's B Corp news during our 150<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations)







#### Embedding B Corp – typical approaches

#### **Functional scorecards &** checklists

A simple way of ensuring B Corp 'thinking and behaviours' become part of everyday processes and practices.

**B-Keeper roles** 



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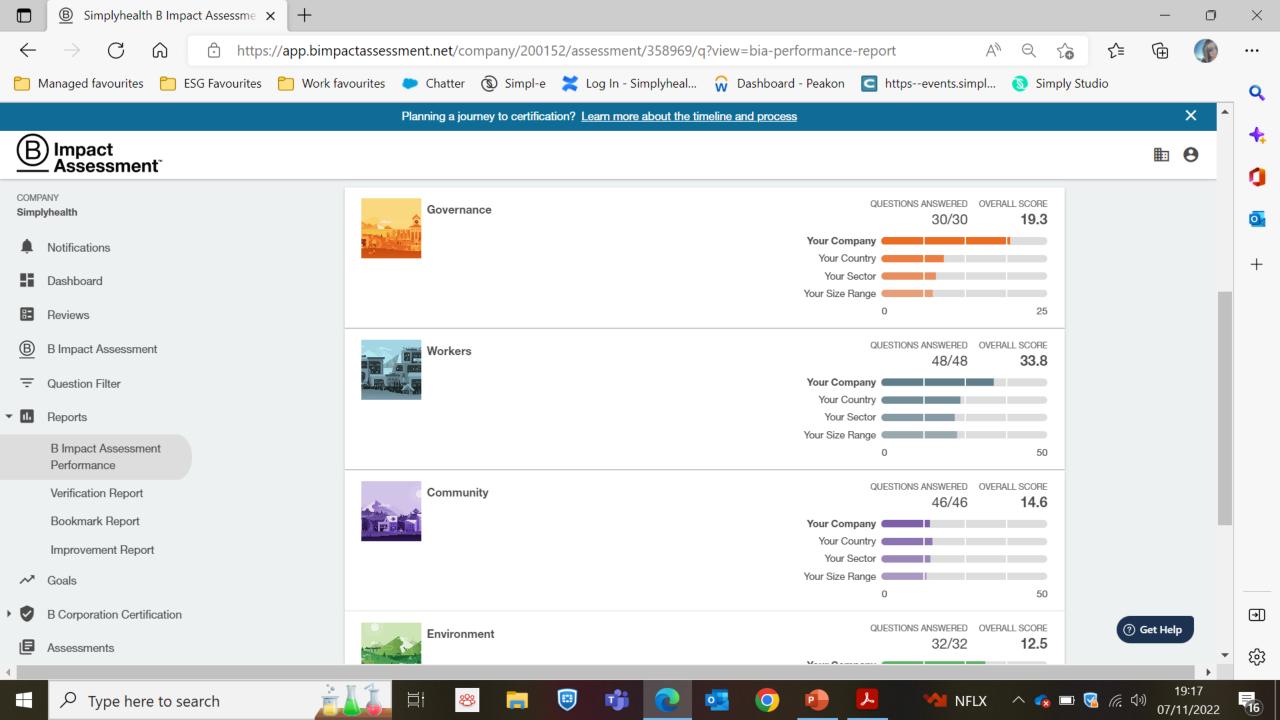
Using the B Impact Assessment tool to benchmark, set new goals, action plans for improvement and track progress.

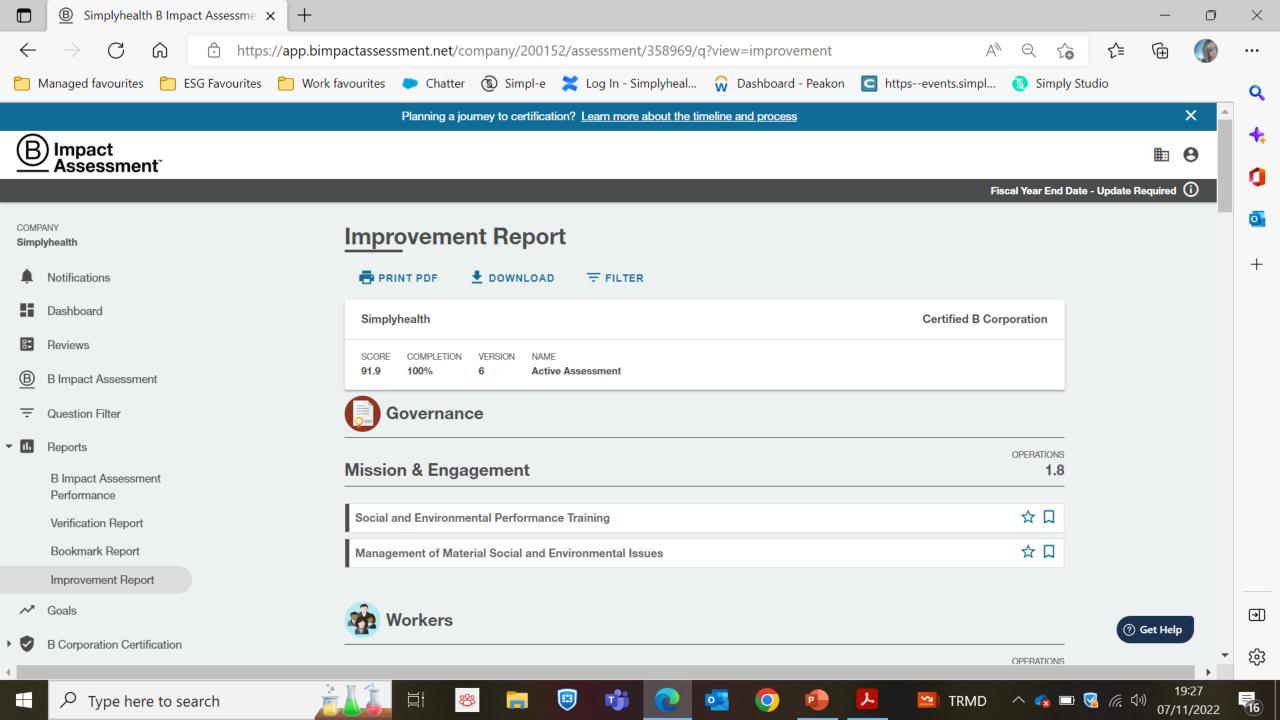
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**Individual B Corp** objectives

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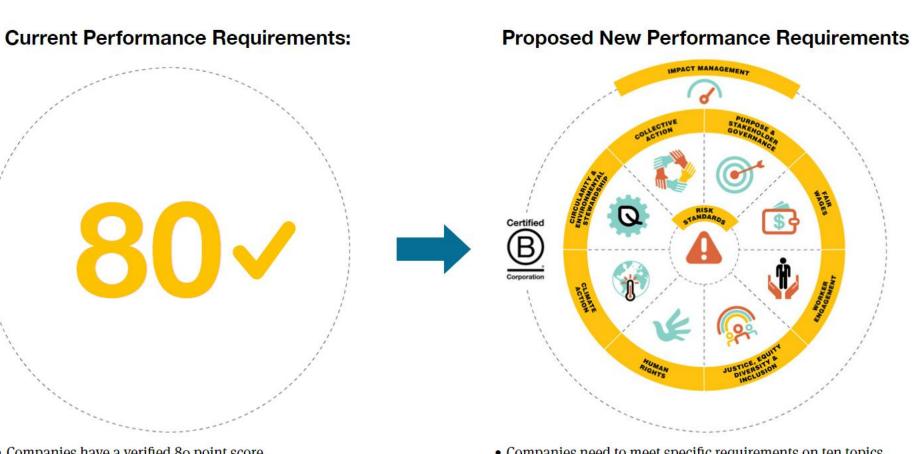




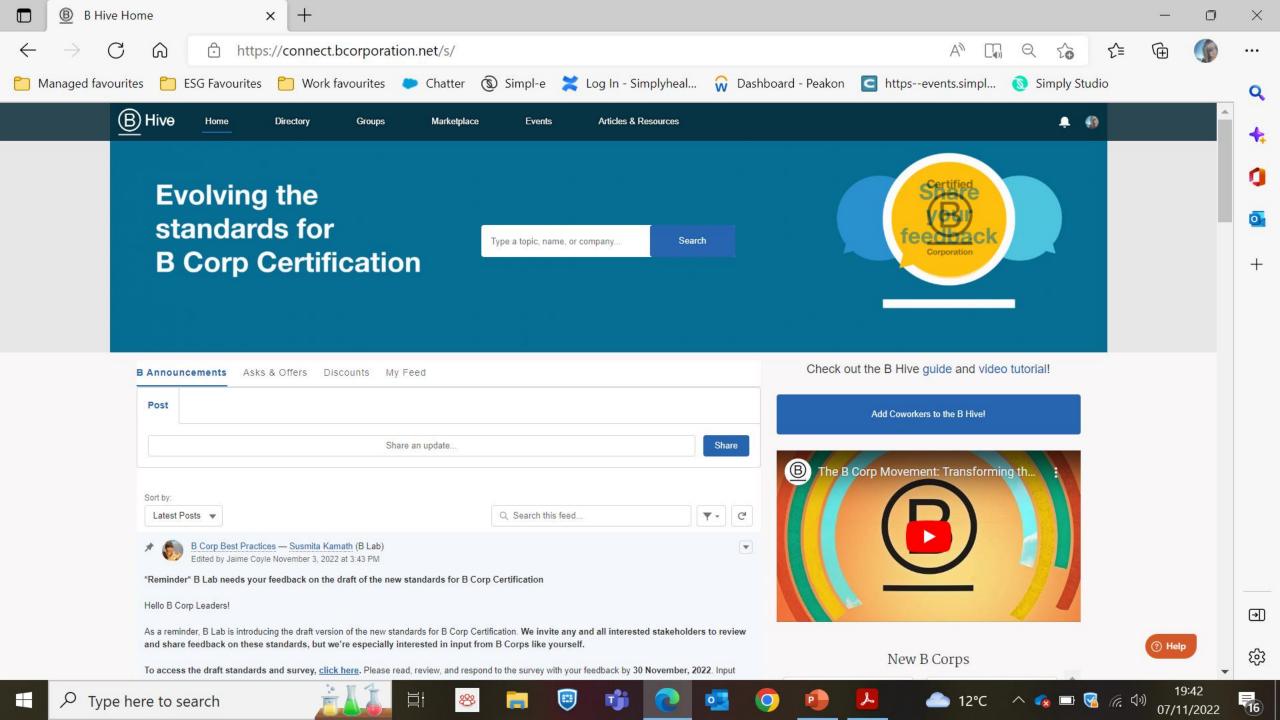


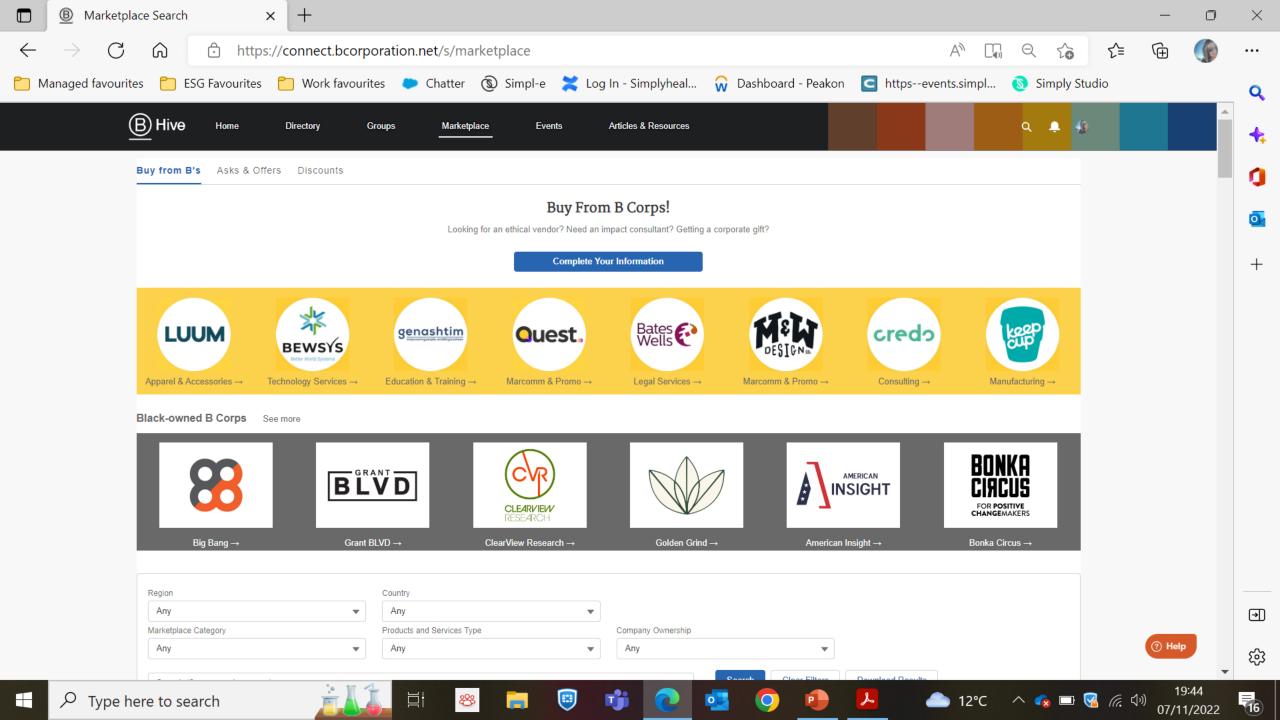
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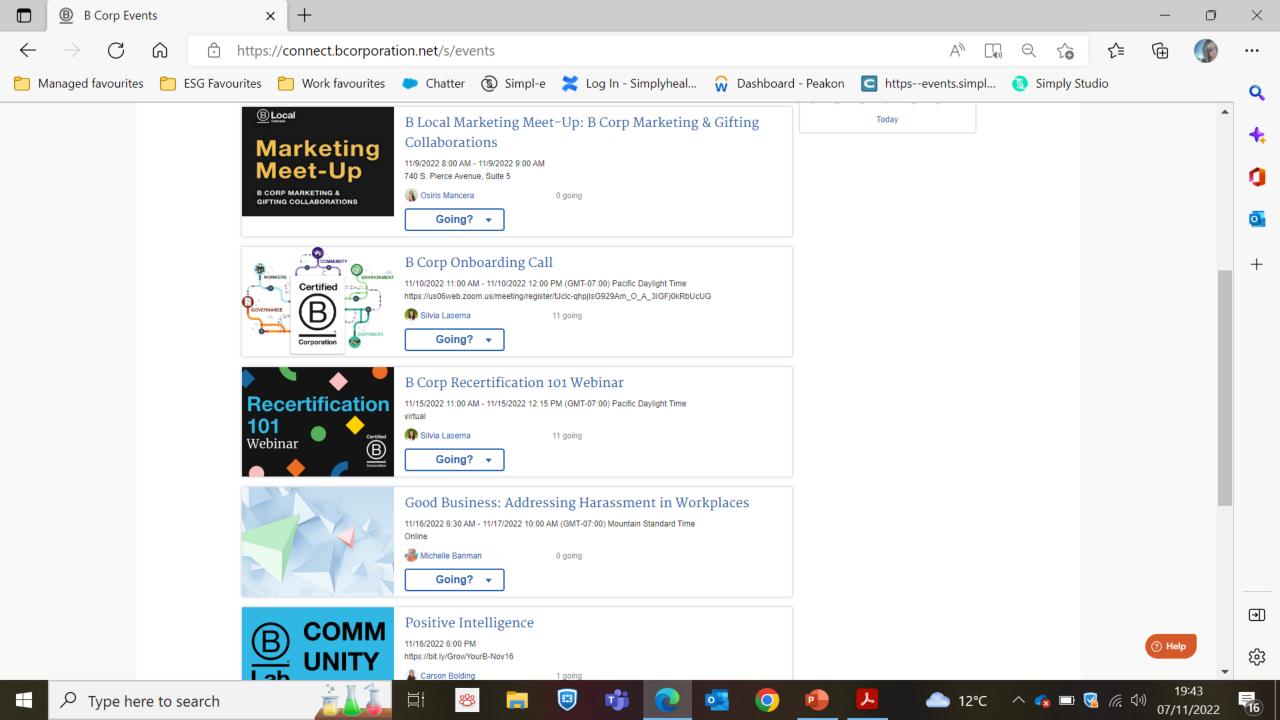
#### 3. The draft of the new standards for B Corp Certification B



- · Companies have a verified 80 point score.
- Companies have flexibility in how to achieve the 80 pt. score.
- At recertification: Companies need to again have a verified 80 point score.
- Companies need to meet specific requirements on ten topics.
- · Each requirement will be verified for certification.
- At recertification: Companies need to demonstrate ongoing compliance with the requirements, progress on topic-specific plans, and on goals set in the impact management topic.







### Learn more about B Corp

#### www.bcorporation.net



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# Thank you

We're genuinely honoured to use our heritage and become a leading light in this inspirational and pioneering B Corp community.

If you have any questions, please contact Simplyhealth's B Corp representative and ESG Lead, <u>Charlotte Cook.</u>



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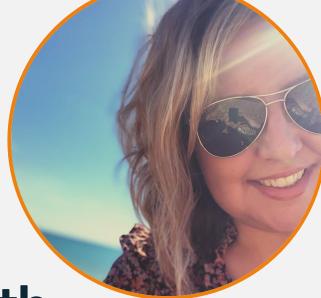
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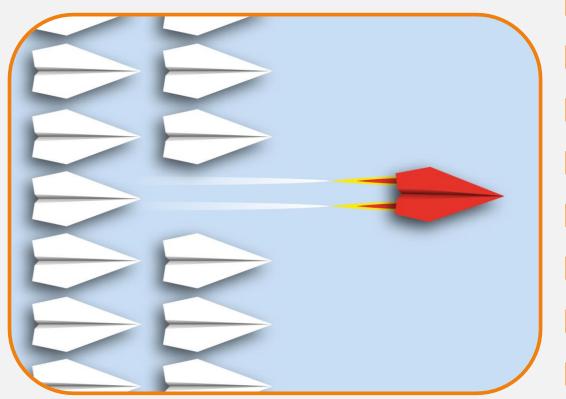




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#### Leading with purpose

- Mutuality as an enabler and authenticator of a purpose-driven business strategy.
- Sustainability as a strategic differentiator that creates long-term, sustainable value for all stakeholders.
- Expanding on ESG commitments in an integrated approach towards a net-zero future.



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