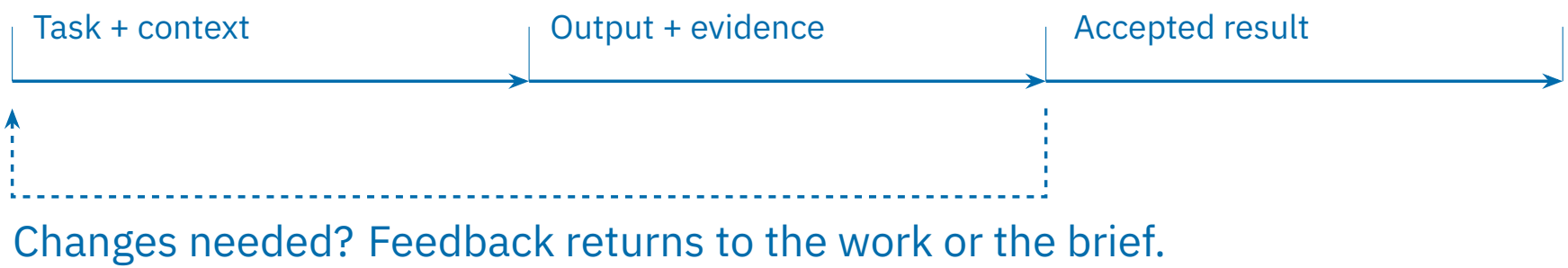
How I work with AI

I set the direction. AI agents help do the work.
We check the result and improve it together.

From an idea to working software, useful research and a result I can review.

Work, review, then decide

FRANCESCO	AI AGENT	REVIEWER	RESULT
Explain the need. Clarify the task.	Build directly or assign research.	Check the work and evidence.	Accept, use or deliver it.



Human review: I judge project outcomes.
Agent review: Sol checks editions before agreed delivery.

Different tools, clear responsibilities

DIRECT COLLABORATION

Me + Codex

Plan, build, test and revise. Project results come back to me.

Task + context →

← **Result + feedback**

SPARK / MY ASSISTANT

Runs in OpenClaw software

Sol / lead model

Plans, checks and finishes.

↓ Task down / findings back ↑

Local DeepSeek

15 October 2026. DeepSeek is one model across both Spark machines. Selected context passes between agents. Spark project

An idea became a newspaper I could use

BUILDING WITH CODEX

I described a reading app for my phone, iPad and Mac.

Codex built it and checked delivery. I tried the result and asked for a simpler card feed.

My contribution: direction and feedback.
The output: working software.

Today

LAYOUT ILLUSTRATION
Own public article

AI & WORKING METHODS

My AI Assistant Needed a Better Operating Model

Making the assistant useful required clear responsibility for judgement, evidence and completed work.

Public Spark case study →

Build: 11–12 October 2026, paraphrased. Card title/excerpt: my public article. This illustration is not a claim that the card appeared in an edition.

An edition under an agreed brief

1 / SCHEDULE STARTS

Sol receives the agreed brief and assigns a limited research task.

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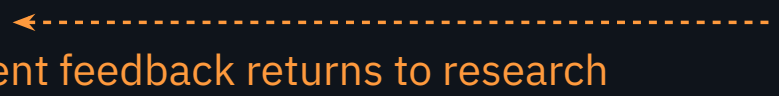
2 / DEEPSEEK RETURNS

The local worker brings back findings, source links and gaps.

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3 / SOL CHECKS

The lead corrects, asks for a revision or finishes the work itself.



Software publishes the exact content Sol approved. I read the edition and give feedback that can improve the next brief.

Current process, documented 15 October 2026. Instructions I have already approved allow delivery without a fresh decision on every run. Spark project

Feedback changed the starting point

BEFORE	MY FEEDBACK	AFTER
Generic discovery	Start with my sources	A source-led brief
Broad searches drifted from the publishers I selected.	FT, Bloomberg, WSJ and The Economist. Find useful leads, then investigate.	Selected accounts, supporting research, then Sol's evidence checks.

WHAT REVIEW CHANGED

Sol rejected stale and unsupported material, corrected attribution and labelled older reporting as background.

12 October 2026. Instructions paraphrased. Five cards delivered using Qwen researchers; finance/F1 source searches timed out, so coverage was partial. Public Spark case study

This page followed the same method

CODEX COLLABORATION / 15 OCTOBER 2026

Brief

I discussed the goal. One Codex session wrote the handoff.

Build

Another session built this page and presentation.

Review

I asked the first session for an independent review.

Feedback: clearer phone controls and more visible examples of the actual work.

This revision responds to the review. I approved the page and presentation for publication.

Based on the build brief and independent review. Codex sessions collaborated here; this was not a Spark / Sol / DeepSeek task.

Reading that helps answer a later question

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLE / USING MY PUBLIC SPARK ARTICLE

THE SOURCE

My AI Assistant Needed a Better Operating Model

Secondbrain keeps the path from notes back to the source.

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EXAMPLE QUESTION

What should I check before accepting an AI agent’s work?

ANSWER OUTLINE

The actual output, its sources, unresolved gaps and whether delivery happened.

Illustration of Secondbrain’s method, not a private conversation or a claim about archive contents. Open the source, challenge the answer and refine the question.

Where I stay involved

PROJECTS AND CONSEQUENTIAL DECISIONS

I review the outcome. I can ask for changes, accept the finished work or authorise the next action.

ALREADY AGREED RECURRING WORK

The workflow can deliver within the agreed brief. I judge usefulness and change the instructions over time.

Approval has a scope. It does not mean pressing a button before every recurring edition.

A reviewable local build, a published site and a checked live result are separate states. Typefully draft creation is separate from public posting.

Change the tool. Keep the judgement.

BEFORE / QWEN

Sol + two independent local services



SINCE 13 OCTOBER / DEEPSEEK

Sol + one model across both Sparks

CODEX IMPLEMENTED THE CHANGE

The edition used to test it delivered six additions. Sol kept useful findings and filled gaps.

I REVIEWED THE USEFULNESS

I felt the quality was better. Review and feedback still mattered.

13 October 2026. Research was partial, with timeouts and service failures. Both models made errors in the comparison; DeepSeek was slower. My preference is subjective. Public Spark case study

Four words I use precisely

DELEGATION

Do this part and bring back the result.

COLLABORATION

Check, challenge and improve the work together.

AUTOMATION

Run an agreed process at a time or event.

APPROVAL

Decide the work is ready and permit the next action.

Every task needs a clear result. It does not always need several agents.

Explore the work

How I work with AI

The permanent page, guided examples and this presentation.

Public Spark case study

The dated decisions, delivered work and continuing limits.

Spark technical paper / Visual architecture

Secondbrain project / Spark project

LET'S DISCUSS THE WORK

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