



A greener, more neighbourly way to live in Sheffield

Mission Statement

We want to create and live in a cohousing project in Sheffield. In cohousing, people create an intentional community based on private dwellings with a high degree of cooperation and shared space, costs, facilities and values.

We aim to build a scheme of about 20 dwellings plus a Common House, to high environmental standards with a view to reducing our carbon footprint as well as protecting ourselves against rising energy costs.

Alongside the private dwellings, we would like the shared spaces to include a meeting room and kitchen for get-togethers, guest bedrooms, a laundry, child-friendly spaces, gardens and workshops. Other facilities which could be shared include micro-generation energy/heating systems (e.g. solar panels, ground source heat pumps), vehicles, tools, and electrical and gardening equipment.

We want a multi-generational, diverse and family-friendly community. We also want to be good neighbours, interacting positively with the local community.

We are aiming for a model of ownership based on long leases, with different types of purchasing or renting arrangements so as to be able to offer permanently affordable homes to a range of households as well as security for those living and investing in the project.

Matters of common interest will be under the democratic control of all the residents, through regular meetings where we will aim for consensus. The planning, policies, organisation and management of the community will reflect the values shared by residents.

We are looking for people to join us who feel positive about creating housing for the future on more humane and cooperative principles rather than the profit motives which dominate the current housing market and foster isolation and fragmentation.

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