



# FULL MEMBERSHIP COVERNOTE AND APPLICATION FORM

## INTRODUCTION

In our Full Membership Application Pack we hope to provide you with the relevant information to complete a Full Membership Application Form for Penington's innovative and exciting cohousing development in Glasgow for those 50 and over.

We can offer one-to-one support by matching you with a Penington Cohousing "Buddy" who will advise and help you with all aspects of the application process. Your Buddy can answer any questions you have about the project and about cohousing in general.

## DO YOUR RESEARCH

Before completing the application form please read all information about the history, ethos and current status of the Penington Cohousing project on our website. It is also possible to contact us by email and phone. We will be happy to answer your questions. Contact details are listed below.

We also advise you to undertake additional research about the principles of cohousing and about how other cohousing projects operate in the UK and further afield. There is a growing movement worldwide, especially with senior cohousing and we are pleased to part of the global groundswell. Many links about cohousing can be found on our website. Your Buddy can supply you with a recommended reading.

## FULL MEMBERSHIP

Applicants can become property-owning members in households for 1 or 2 bedrooms in the Penington Cohousing community. Full Membership means you will make an in principle commitment to purchase a flat in Penington Cohousing, once you have been formally accepted as a Full Member at a Penington CoHousing's business meeting (Progress Meeting).

## THE MUTUAL SELECTION PROCESS

The process of becoming a Full Member takes approximately three months. Until an application for full membership is processed, applicants are referred to as an "Explorer".

Getting to know Full Members at social or formal meetings prior to being accepted as a full member is very rewarding. Explorer members must attend at least two socials and two business meetings. These meetings enable Explorers to learn about our collective decision-making processes and how to become actively involved as Full Members of our community.

The mutual selection process takes time to be accomplished to ensure its success. Explorers are required to meet all current members at social and/or business meetings, or on a one-to-one basis after which applications for membership will be considered at a Progress meeting. Once full membership has been given, the full member is encouraged to attend all business meetings and vote by household.

## **LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

When you become a resident, certain documents must be submitted. These include a copy of a current Will and details of two persons who have your Power of Attorney for any health and finance issues, which may arise. Copies of these documents should also be deposited with your solicitor (**NB:** We can provide you with the names of several solicitors who charge modest fees for these services).

## **SHARED COMMITMENTS**

Full Members must agree to serve on at least one working group and contribute their time per week to community tasks or the community building process. You can indicate which working group and which type of community tasks would interest you. Please note that working groups and community tasks are subject to change as the project develops.

## **THE PURCHASE COST OF YOUR PROPERTY**

Penington Cohousing is aiming that in negotiation with Southside Housing Association (SHA), the final total cost of a flat together with a percentage share in Penington Common House should not exceed £170K (at 2016 prices).

In order to be eligible for home ownership in the Penington Cohousing project and to complete the full membership application process, a membership fee of £250 must be paid, which is part of the application process. This payment represents a true commitment to purchasing a flat in the Penington Cohousing development and to becoming a Full Member of the Penington community. You will also be asked to pay an annual contribution of £80.

During the planning and building process, the project will require further finance. These payments will be offset against the final purchase price of your flat.

## **SHARED OWNERSHIP**

Apart from the possibility of buying a flat outright, the Southside Housing Association may offer shared ownership. A financial commitment from shared-ownership members will also be required. This option should represent an affordable amount for anyone interested in shared ownership.

## **CONTACT US**

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Our Website: [www.pencohousing.org.uk](http://www.pencohousing.org.uk)

Facebook: [peningtoncohousing](https://www.facebook.com/peningtoncohousing)

Twitter: PenCoHo

## FULL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM FOR BUYERS

Please complete this application form in full. Use extra sheet if you need more space. These details will be useful for our mutual selection process.

<b>APPLICANT No. 1</b>	<b>APPLICANT No. 2</b> (IF APPLICABLE)
TITLE:	TITLE:
SURNAME:	SURNAME:
FORENAMES:	FORENAMES:
DATE OF BIRTH:	DATE OF BIRTH:
ADDRESS:	ADDRESS:
POSTCODE:	POSTCODE:
TELEPHONE NO:	TELEPHONE NO:
MOBILE NO:	MOBILE NO:
EMAIL ADDRESS:	EMAIL ADDRESS:
PERSON TO BE CONTACTED IN THE CASE OF AN EMERGENCY:	PERSON TO BE CONTACTED IN THE CASE OF AN EMERGENCY:
ADDRESS:	ADDRESS:
POSTCODE:	POSTCODE:
TELEPHONE/ MOBILE NO:	TELEPHONE/ MOBILE NO:

NAME OF SOLICITOR  ADDRESS:  POSTCODE: TELEPHONE NUMBER:	NAME OF SOLICITOR:  ADDRESS:  POSTCODE: TELEPHONE NUMBER:
NAME OF THE PERSON WITH YOUR POWER OF ATTORNEY: Full name and contact details if not listed on this form	NAME OF THE PERSON WITH YOUR POWER OF ATTORNEY:
NAME OF GP OR HEALTH CENTRE:  ADDRESS  POSTCODE TELEPHONE NUMBER:	NAME OF GP OR HEALTH CENTRE:  ADDRESS;  POSTCODE: TELEPHONE NUMBER:
IF APPLICABLE, DESCRIBE YOUR MOBILITY ISSUES:	IF APPLICABLE, DESCRIBE YOUR MOBILITY ISSUES:
LIST ANY PARTICULAR HEALTH ISSUES WHICH SHOULD BE CONSIDERED:	LIST ANY PARTICULAR HEALTH ISSUES WHICH SHOULD BE CONSIDERED:
WHAT DID YOU DO IN YOUR WORKING LIFE?	WHAT DID YOU DO IN YOUR WORKING LIFE?
LIST HOBBIES AND INTERESTS:  Use another sheet if necessary	LIST HOBBIES AND INTERESTS:

## COHOUSING AND YOU

1. If possible, please state in a few words what attracted you to the cohousing way of life?  
(Continue overleaf if necessary)

2. Please list any challenges you think you may encounter in a cohousing community and explain how you would work creatively with fellow members to deal with those challenges  
(Continue overleaf if necessary)

3. Please circle a number closest to your goals for the community  
(1 = slight agreement / 10 = absolute agreement)

(i) Good neighborliness  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

(ii) Organising and sharing certain meals with other members  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

(iii) Ecological lifestyle  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

(iv) Consensual decision making  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

4. What skills or experiences do you wish to share with the community?  
(Continue overleaf if necessary)

5. Thanks to the support of Southside Housing Association the following types of ownership are available. Please tick the appropriate box to indicate which type of ownership interests you

(i) Outright ownership

(ii) Shared ownership\*

\*Please indicate how you will fund your purchase of a shared ownership flat:

5. Please provide any other useful or relevant information here below  
(Continue on extra sheet if necessary):

## FINAL CHECK LIST

Please tick each box to confirm the following:

- (i) I/We have read The Explorers Pack
- (ii) I/We have read "Values, Aims and Objectives" on the Penington Cohousing website
- (iii) I/We have read The Penington Cohousing Memorandum and Articles of Association
- (iv) I/We share the Penington Cohousing vision
- (vi) I/We have discussed the commitments of membership with current full members
- (vii) I/We have been advised that we must take independent legal advice

### MEMBERSHIP FEE

Please tick the appropriate box to indicate how your membership fee has been made:

- (i) I/We enclose a cheque for £250 made payable to Penington CoHousing
- (ii) I/We enclose a copy of the £250 bank transfer slip to Penington Cohousing

Triodos Bank sort code 16-58-10 account no. 20411499 name Penington CoHousing Ltd

### LEGAL DOCUMENTATION

You will be asked when you are resident in PenCoHo for a copy of the following items. Please tick the appropriate box to confirm that you will provide these:

- (i) Sealed copy for each member of your Will
- (ii) A Power of Attorney for health and financial issues

**Please print your name in block capitals below (1<sup>st</sup> Applicant):**

\_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date & Place \_\_\_\_\_

**Please print your name in block capitals (2<sup>nd</sup> Applicant):**

\_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date & Place \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you from all members of Penington Cohousing for sharing our vision and for joining us to make it possible.

