



# Membership of Association

Please complete clearly in block capitals

*(The information on this form will be kept confidential in line with Data Protection legislation)*

- ❖ Please check with the secretary if there are places available on the proposed development. If there are, you can become a **member** by filling in this form and paying the annual membership fee of £35. Please complete the whole form and return with a cheque (payable to Cohousing Berkshire) for your annual membership fee, to Cohousing Berkshire, c/o RISC, 35-39 London Street, Reading, RG1 4PS. A receipt will be sent to you, together with the membership list and your place on it.

## BASIC INFORMATION:

Name: .....

Address: .....

Post Code: .....

email: .....

Phone / mobile.....

Do you want to be on an email group for Cohousing Berkshire? .....

Do you want to receive news about meetings and events by email? .....

What is your level of interest in cohousing? (e.g. just curious / want to learn more / definitely want to live in a co-housing community)

Where did you hear about Cohousing Berkshire? .....

What are the key features of cohousing that appeal to you? (e.g. social benefits, safe neighbourhood, shared facilities, eco-friendly housing, other):

Can you offer any relevant skills to the Cohousing Berkshire group? (e.g. lawyer, architect, builder admin, design, publicity, other)?.....

Are you able to attend meetings? .....(Currently rotating weekday evenings at 7:45 pm)

What other times you would be available for meetings?

In what other ways can you link in with the cohousing group? : web site .....

Email ..... other (please specify) .....

# Questionnaire

Please complete if you are interested in eventually living in the Cohousing development

## PREFERENCES:

### What type and size of property do you require?

Please tick: House ..... Flat/apartment ..... shared house .....  
buy ..... Housing Association rent or part buy .....

No. of bedrooms..... No. of bathrooms..... Private garden? Yes ..... no ..... Don't mind .....

### What is your preferred location?

Please tick: urban ..... rural ..... edge of town ..... don't mind .....

### How important to you is eco/green build?

Please tick: very important ..... moderately important ..... not very important .....

**Financial:** *please complete section A for buyers, section B for renters and part buyers*

### A. How do you intend to fund the purchase of a property?

Please tick:

- have sufficient funds without selling current property .....
- sell current property and buy outright .....
- sell current and apply for mortgage (what percentage of property do you estimate would have to be covered by mortgage?) .....
- have funds for deposit, and will apply for mortgage (what percentage?) .....
- other. Please specify.....

**When specific site(s) have been selected, you will be required to pay a deposit loan (probably in the region of £5,000 per household depending on size of property required) into the cohousing group funds to secure your full membership of the group. Will you be able to do this?**

YES ..... NO .....

**Will you be able to show evidence that you are in a position to put down a deposit (estimated at approx 30% of your projected property cost) at the time of site purchase?**

YES ..... NO .....

**B. To secure a renting / part buying property in the cohousing, you can become an Associate member, by paying a deposit loan (probably equivalent to 1 or 1.5 months' rent) to the co-housing group funds when this option becomes available. Will you be able to do this?**

YES ..... NO .....

*N.B. All quoted sums of money are estimated and subject to change, although they are realistic and reflect what has happened in other existing cohousing schemes. Final amounts will be agreed by the Cohousing group.*