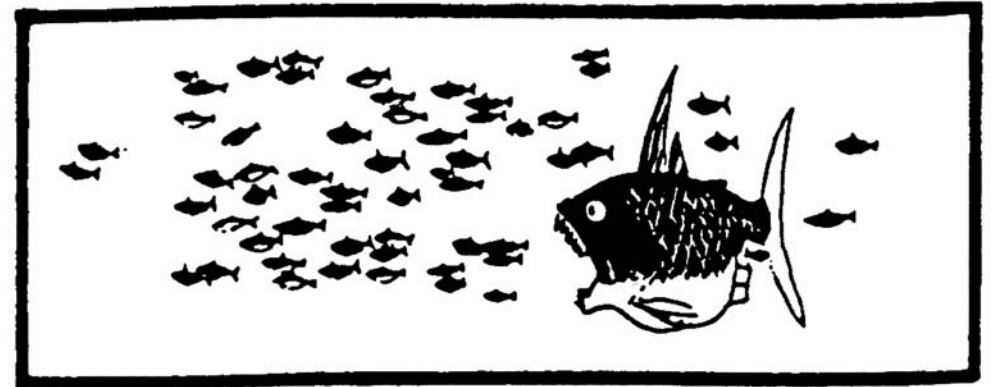
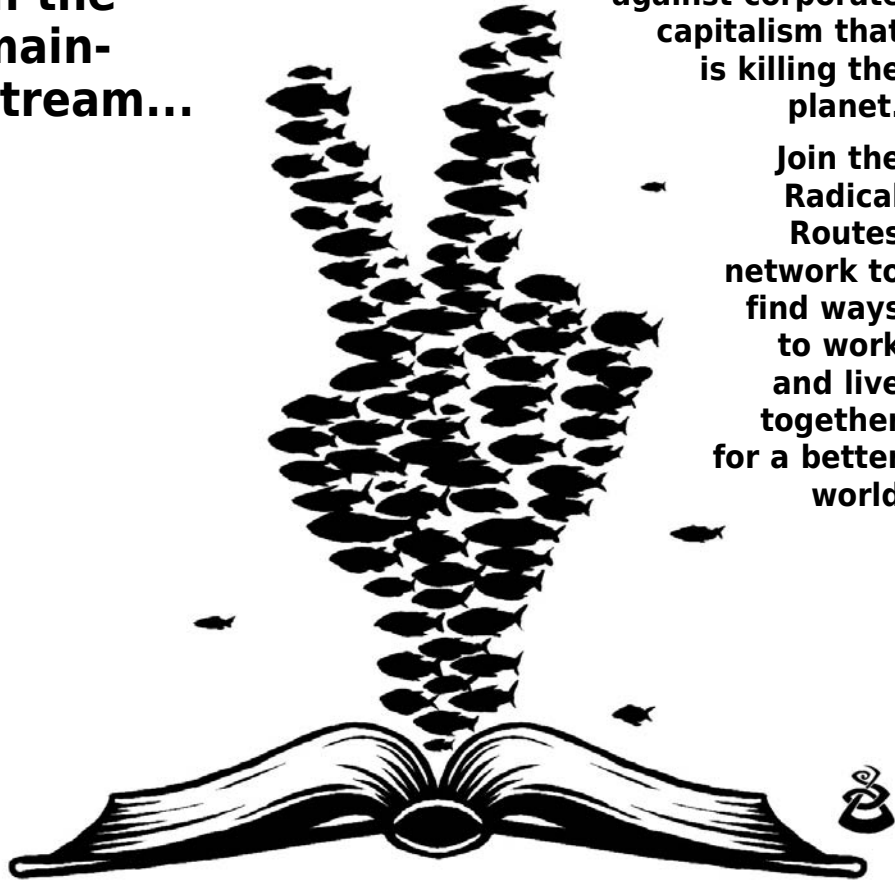


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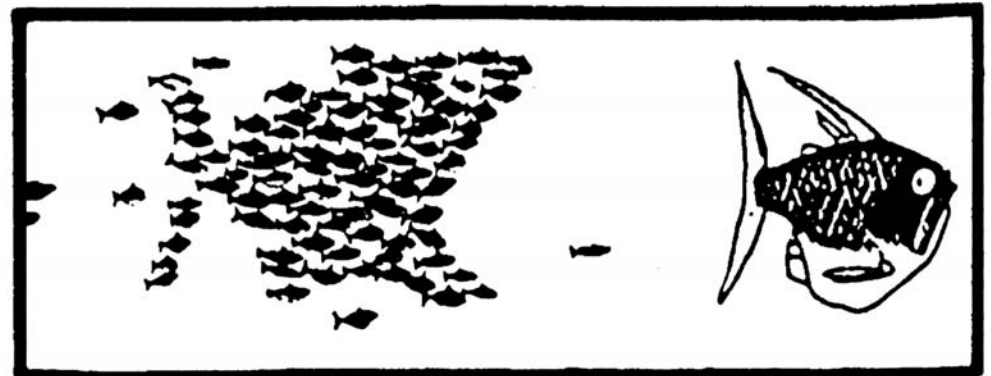
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Radical Routes

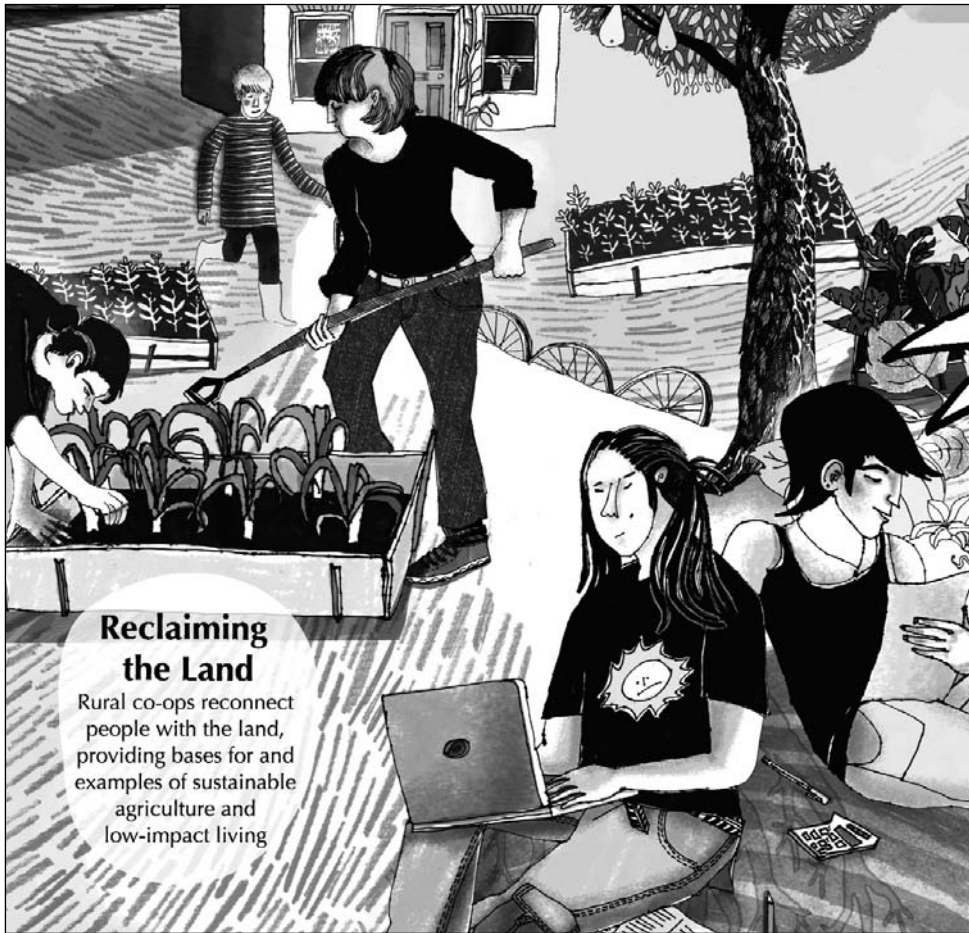
2009 Directory of Member Co-ops



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This £1 booklet is a directory of the current member co-ops of Radical Routes.

It provides contact details, for members to stay in touch, and for interested people to find their nearest Co-ops. For a list of our other publications, including guides to setting up your own co-op, please visit our website: www.radicalroutes.org.uk



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Highbury Farm, Redbrook, NP25 4LX.
Tel: 01600 713 942
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c/o 16 Railway St, Brighton, BN1 3PF.
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Fullards Farm, Trull, Taunton TA3 7PE
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Web: www.upstart.coop

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Web: www.soundbitesderby.org.uk

Xanadu Housing Co-op

31 Cliff Mount, Leeds LS6 2HP.
Tel: 0113 244 4376

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E-mail: info@accountancy.coop

Affinity Housing Co-op

Steward Community Woodland, Moretonhampstead, Newton Abbot, Devon, TQ13 8SD. Tel: 01647 440233/ 07050 674464
E-mail: info@stewardwood.org

Bridge Street Worker's Co-op

5 Bridge Street, Buxton, Derbyshire, SK17 6BS.
Tel: 01298 22843

Cog Housing Co-op

5 Daisy Road, Bristol, BS5 6JS.
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c/o Nautia (see member co-ops section)

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c/o Nick, Flat 78, 65 Cedar Street, Glasgow G20 7NB. Tel: 0141 331 0693
E-mail: jack@theatlanticbreakers.com / theburghangel@gmail.com
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Unit 6, 13 Harbour Road, Inverness IV1 1SY
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14 Mornington Grove, London, E3 4NS
Tel: 020 8980 4534

Ringo Housing Co-op

53 Beaconsfield Villas, Brighton, BN1 6HB.
E-mail: ringohousingcoop@yahoo.co.uk

Introduction

Here we are in twenty-first-century Britain, in a world not of our making but one that has been moulded over thousands of years of exploitation and injustice. Our world is shaped by the forces of greed, capitalism and materialism, where maximum production and optimum profits are vigorously pursued, making life a misery for many and putting us and the environment at risk.

The system is ultimately controlled by the rich and powerful, the capitalists and bureaucrats, through the use of many mechanisms such as ownership of the economy (making people slaves to a job) and control of the media (creating a passive culture).

Radical Routes is a network of co-ops and individuals seeking to change all this. We want to see a world based on equality and co-operation, where people give according to their ability and receive according to their needs, where work is fulfilling and useful and creativity is encouraged, where decision making is open to everyone with no hierarchies, where the environment is valued and respected in its own right rather than exploited.

We want to take control over all aspects of our lives. However, as we are not all in a position of control we are forced to compromise in order to exist. We are working towards taking control over our housing, education and work through setting up housing and worker co-ops, and co-operating as a network. Through gaining collective control over these areas we aim to reduce reliance on exploitative structures and build secure bases from which to challenge the system and encourage others to do so.

Radical Routes developed from an idea in the mid 80s into a secondary co-op registered in April 1992. In 1986 New Education Housing Co-op was loaned £7,000 by supporters to put down a deposit on a house in



For more info see:

www.radicalroutes.org.uk

Birmingham. From that housing co-op Radical Routes has grown via staging educational events, the spreading of information, a will to seek likeminded people and investment from supporters into an expanding nationwide network of like-minded co-ops and individuals.

The formation of the secondary co-op provided a legal structure to pursue our collective aims in a more efficient way, and made it possible to raise investment centrally through a national investment scheme.

In 1998, this idea was taken a stage further with the establishment of Rootstock (www.rootstock.org.uk), an investors co-operative which raises the funds that Radical Routes then lends to member co-ops as top-up loans for house purchases or loans to buy equipment for workers co-ops. Radical Routes' "peer-to-peer" lending approach has proved remarkable successful and robust, with no outstanding bad debts after almost 20 years of operation.

Radical Routes has limited resources and recognises that its particular work towards the above aims is one part of a spectrum of many valid activities. The specific means that Radical Routes is pursuing are:

- The setting up of housing co-ops to house people and projects with the above aims.
- The setting up of workers co-ops which operate with the above aims.
- The promotion and organisation of participatory education through skills- and knowledge-sharing events, Taking Control events, informative material and workshops.
- The raising of finance to take control over resources (property, technology, land...) through co-operation and economic interlocking of the co-ops.
- The support of like-minded projects.

Radical Routes is a network of radical co-ops whose members are committed to working for positive social change. Four times a year, the member co-ops get together at "gatherings". These weekend events have a social function, but are also the places at which all important decisions are taken. They are open meetings and anyone is welcome to attend, though active decision-making is limited to nominated representatives of the member co-ops. Radical Routes uses consensus decision-making to try to achieve the best possible decisions that all the members can live with. In addition, at every gathering there is a parallel programme of introductory workshops for new groups and individuals, and plenty of time for informal networking and socialising.

There are various ways you can find out more and get involved:

- Check out the website (www.radicalroutes.org.uk) for more information and documents to download
- Contact Radical Routes by email (enquiries@radicalroutes.org.uk), phone (0845 3304510), or mail (RR Enquiries, 16 Sholebroke Avenue, Leeds, West Yorkshire LS7 3HB)
- Come along to a gathering (see website for details of upcoming gatherings)
- Last but not least, use this Directory to get in touch directly with member co-ops near you!

Member Co-ops: Worker Co-ops

Catalyst Collective Ltd

We are a workers' co-operative, who offer free help and advice for and about housing and worker co-ops, plus a cheap registration service for new co-ops. We have over 14 years experience, and more than 100 satisfied customers.

We can visit you if appropriate, to help you develop your co-operative ideas. Contact us for more details.

We are based in Norfolk, however we work with groups nationwide, you can also catch us at many events throughout the year. We offer a cheap/free service because we believe in what we do, and are always open to donations to further our work. We are developing the skills sharing we can offer, including conflict resolution, consensus decision making, roles in a housing co-op (secretary, treasurer, etc), and others on demand. We are also the finance worker co-op for radical routes.

Catalyst Collective, (Radical Routes Finance Worker Co-op), 16 Princess Way, Earsham, Bungay NR35 2SY. Tel: 0845 223 5254
Email: hayley@catalystcollective.org
Web: www.catalystcollective.co.uk



Footprint

Footprint Workers Co-operative is a printing co-operative based at Cornerstone Housing Co-op in Leeds. We currently have five members and two different sorts of printing equipment - Riso digital duplicators and a Konica laser

printer. We sadly dismantled our offset litho in 2008 and sold it for scrap.

Most of our customers are environmental and social activist organisations, bands and individuals,

but we also print for a number of small businesses in and around Leeds. For more information regarding our set up and our environmental and social policy take a look at the website or our myspace site.

16 Sholebroke Avenue, Chapelton, Leeds LS7 3HB West Yorkshire. Tel: 0113 262 4408
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Web www.footprinters.co.uk



Member Co-ops: Social Centres

The Cowley Club

The Cowley Club is a social centre on London Road in Brighton. It houses a cafe and bookshop during the day, a members bar during the evenings, a library, and is a base for a variety of other projects.

The club is collectively owned and run as a base for those involved in grassroots social change and those sympathetic to such activities, giving us control over our social space and resources. It is run entirely by volunteers - no one gets paid, and no one is making any profit. Instead, we are trying to provide a much needed alternative to everything else around us.

12 London Road, Brighton, BN1 4JA.

E-mail: cowleyclub@riseup.net

Web: cowleyclub.org.uk



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The Sumac Centre

The Sumac Centre (formerly the Rainbow Centre) is an activist and community resource centre and a secondary co-operative with two housing and three worker co-ops as members. These co-ops are Ned's and another so far unnamed housing co-op, Veggies catering co-operative, Wild Things who are involved in eco-education with children of all ages and Monster Massive, childrens entertainers who dress up as monsters.

The centre has a cafe, a bar, a radical library and computer facilities. We aim to provide housing, work, social facilities and advice and help to people working towards social change.

245 Gladstone Street, Forest Fields, Nottingham, NG7 6HX. Tel: 0845 458 9595

E-mail: info@veggies.org.uk

Web: www.veggies.org.uk/sumac/



Member Co-ops: Housing Co-ops

Brambles

Brambles is a home for an eclectic mix of people and urban wildlife and a stop-over point for many more. We come from a mix of genders and social backgrounds with a wide range of skills to share between us. The co-op itself has been running for over 10 years and has housed over 60 people during this time; with members staying from months to many years. We share two neighbouring houses, vegetable patches, fruit trees, wildlife garden and frog pond in a vibrant, multicultural but economically poor area of Sheffield. Brambles provides its members with a secure, supportive environment from which we both work together and do our own stuff too. The co-op acts as a focal point for resources and information and as a free meeting space for local groups. Brambles is ecological and anarchic in focus with no rotas and very few boundaries and a lot of learning under our collective belts. Communal meals generally happen and the recycling and compost systems are pretty funky and efficient.

Tel: 0114 279 7164

Branches

Branches is a new Housing Coop set up in Bradford. We are a group of people who meet through the local Peace movement and the local Peace Department. We are all committed to working in the local community and have close links with the local squatting and social centres scene.

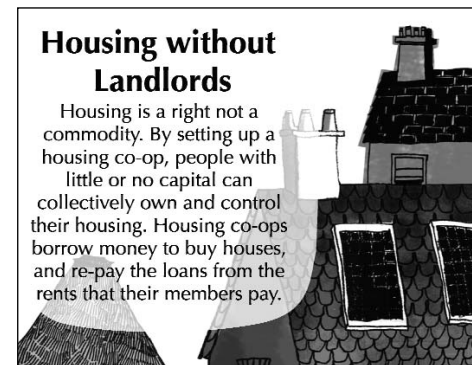
We always welcome friends and visitors for tea but make sure that you tell us first - we may not be in!

Branches Housing Cooperative, 106 Preston Street, Bradford, BD7 1DP

Email: branches@riseup.net

Housing without Landlords

Housing is a right not a commodity. By setting up a housing co-op, people with little or no capital can collectively own and control their housing. Housing co-ops borrow money to buy houses, and re-pay the loans from the rents that their members pay.



Cornerstone

Established in 1993, Cornerstone has two three story Victorian houses in Chapeltown, (an ethnically diverse and run-down area of) Leeds. Both houses need a lot of maintenance, but have large gardens front and back, where the odd co-op member does their best to create beautiful and productive landscapes. We house up to fifteen people between the two houses and there are often short and long-term visitors swelling our numbers.

Members spend their time studying, gardening, printing, Diy, squatting social centres, campaigning on peace, environmental, social and animal rights issues. One property houses a large number of cats while the other is pet free. Evening meals are vegan and communal.

Footprint workers co-op is based in one of the houses. We are also the enquiries point for Radical Routes publications. The e-mail address and phone number below are checked but not very regularly.

16 Sholebroke Avenue, Chapeltown, Leeds, LS7 3HB, West Yorkshire.

Tel: 0113 262 9365 E-mail:

cornerstone@cornerstonehousing.org.uk

Web Site: www.cornerstonehousing.org.uk

Coventry Peace House

Coventry Peace House opened in January 1999. We were born out of the Coventry Peace Camp as a permanent resource for our city. We support refugees, mend bikes and put up exhibitions! We run Worldwide, a Peace Education project, and Delicious and Nutricious a green (as possible) vegetarian catering company. We have space for new members. Criteria for membership involves commitment to working actively towards peace, living a simple green life style, and being involved with the support and fun co-operative living brings.

We are made up of six little houses painted bright yellow! We are fifteen minutes walk from the city centre in a multicultural area and have a nice big garden.

Coventry Peace House, 311 Stoney Stanton Road, Coventry, CV6 5DS, Warwickshire. Tel: 02476 664616

E-mail: info@covpeacehouse.org.uk

Web: www.covpeacehouse.org.uk

Dragonfly

Dragonfly housing coop has been running since 2000, housing 5 people in a quiet road in East Oxford that backs onto Florence Park. The house was previously home to Jigsaw housing coop.

Our current members have campaigned against GM, war, roads and runways and worked for sustainability, NVDA training, activist trauma support, activist legal advice, campaign publicity / props and the Climate Camp.

Dragonfly Housing Cooperative,
178 Campbell Road, Oxford, OX4 3NR.
Tel: 01865 770833

Enheduanna

Enheduanna is a co-op of five living in Birmingham. We're currently looking for a property to house us and raising loanstock. Please get in touch with us if you want to know more, if you can help out, or if you want to get involved.

E-mail: brumcoop@gmail.com

Equinox

Equinox Housing Co-op was set up in 1994 and moved into a large house in inner-city Manchester. Its aims were to provide affordable, quality accommodation to people involved in social change work. We are a group of 8 (plus dog) living communally and trying to build a supportive community based on the principles which we believe will help to make a better world.

Our members are involved in a wide range of activities and projects including local community groups, non-violent direct action groups on many issues, from no borders to genetics, ecological renovation, climate campaigning, seed saving, vegan organic farming, herbalism, websites, woodlands, Radical Routes and many others. We also find time to enjoy the gardens, be sporty, play music and have (we are told) legendary parties. We have carried out extensive environmental improvements (rainwater toilets, insulation, community office) and are looking towards further renovations (solar heating/PV) which will make us more sustainable. We are also in the process of setting up a community allotment project, involving active workshops on vegan organic food production, permaculture design and eco-building (we will be building a cob kitchen). Exciting times ahead! Visitors and helpers welcome. Membership waiting list in operation – contact us!

161 Hamilton Road, Longsight, Manchester M13 0PQ. Tel: 0161 248 9224

Tortoiseshell Housing Co-op

Tortoiseshell is a Brighton-based group of four adults and two children, who are currently looking for property.

c/o Radical Routes enquiries, 16 Sholebroke Avenue, Leeds LS7 3HB

Uncarved Stone

A group of 7 people based in Cornwall, aiming to make 7 self build ecologically sound dwellings within a semi rural site that will allow us to practice elements of self-sufficient permaculture.

Tel: Paul Martin 07752818759 / Clayton Eliot 07967588038 / Pete Dangerfield 07980606188
E: cornwallhousingcoop@googlegroups.com

Walden Pond

Walden Pond was set up in 1997 to provide affordable and secure housing for people working for social change. The co-op is committed to social justice, environmental responsibility and community involvement. Walden Pond aims to provide its members with living, working and campaigning space, to nurture a creative spirit of collaboration and sharing, and to promote engagement with wider society.

In January 2001 Walden Pond bought a large Victorian house in St Leonards on Sea, East Sussex, and we settled into a much more stable and productive lifestyle! In 2002 the co-op bought a nearby flat to house more members. In 2006 saw the completion of council -funded renovation work on our flat, and we decided to rent the 3 other flats in the same building to allow us to accommodate an increased membership and have control of the entire house and garden. Areas in which our members are active include anti-war campaigning, climate change activism, promoting cycling, alternative/appropriate technology, allotments, and home education.

We do not generally seek new members but we will gladly provide advice and support for anyone interested in learning about co-ops and thinking of setting up their own.

29 Gensing Road, St Leonards on Sea, TN38 OHE East Sussex. Tel: 0845 4589572
E-mail: waldenpond@btinternet.com

Wild Peak

For co-operative and sustainable housing in the Peak District. Initially, we aim to buy property and land in the Peak District. As well as housing the members and managing the property, the Co-op has further project ideas for the future, including:

- Conserving and developing the architectural and heritage value of our buildings.
- Exploring the possibility of sustainable and/or low impact new buildings and conversions to enhance the architectural and landscape value of the site.
- Ecologically based land management to conserve and enhance the biodiversity of the site.
- Sustainable, local, quality food production and food services.
- A base for community enterprise and cultural and recreational activity.
- A place for children to experience educational contact with nature and food production.
- Developing renewable energy solutions that work in harmony with the sensitive landscape of the Peak District.

Wild Peak Housing Co-op, 3 Granby View, Smalldale, Bradwell, Hope Valley, S33 9JQ. E-mail: wildpeak@phonecoop.coop
Web: www.wildpeak.org.uk

Stepping Stones

Stepping Stones is based at Highbury Farm, overlooking the beautiful Lower Wye Valley near the village of Redbrook. We are currently renovating the old farm house which houses some members and provides communal living space, while other people live in caravans and other low impact structures.

The co-op is inspired by a vision of finding ecological and socially sustainable ways of living together as a community. We are exploring how to manage our land without exploitation of animals and all food on the farm is vegetarian or vegan. We regard children and young people as an essential part of any sustainable community and are developing our policies to ensure that they and their parents are always able to participate in the running of the cooperative

Projects at Stepping Stones include renovating an old cider apple and perry pear orchard, managing local rare species rich unimproved grassland, working with English Nature to coppice in adjacent Highbury Woods (a national nature reserve), establishing new vegetable gardens and fruit tree plantings and designing and building systems to supply our own energy needs. We are also able to host small gatherings for like minded groups and would like to develop the site as a space for environmental education camps and courses.

We welcome WWOOFers and other working volunteers to help with our projects, but please contact us in advance to arrange a visit. We have vacant accommodation and are currently looking for new members to join us.

Highbury Farm, Redbrook, NP25 4LX, Monmouthshire, Wales. Tel: 01600 713942
E-mail: highburyfarm@yahoo.co.uk
Web: www.highburyfarm.freeserve.co.uk

Talamh

Talamh is Gaelic for earth or soil, and the co-op is fortunate to be set in 50 acres of fields and mixed habitats with a 17th century farmhouse (needing constant maintenance!).

Talamh has been in existence since 1993, and a housing co-op since 1996 and has housed many people over that time. Talamh currently houses nine adults and two children plus often extra visitors. Talamh has gardens, woodland, wetland, a lake, veg terraces, a polytunnel, and lots of wildlife about. We either live in the farmhouse or in caravans on the land.

Over 10,000 native broadleaf and conifer trees have been planted on the land not including hedgerows. Although rural, Talamh is adjacent to large open-cast coal mines, the M74, dairy farming and a gravel quarry. Talamh allows individuals access to land and resources and is idiosyncratic and active with a DIY style. Membership is firstly by spending time here, visiting and volunteering.

Birkhill House, Coalburn, South Lanarkshire, ML11 ONJ, Scotland. Tel: 01555 820555 or 820550. E-mail: talamh@lineone.net
Web: www.talamh.org.uk

Torch

We are a group of people who collectively own our two properties in Birmingham. One is a five-bedroom Georgian Style house. The other is a larger building owned by us which includes offices plus a Community Meeting Room as well as an eight bedroom maisonette. As a member you would be expected to help with running the Co-op and have your say on Financial Matters & Co-op policy.

10 Richmond Road, Hockley, Birmingham B18 5NH. Tel: 0121 554 4256 / 551 3161
2 Charleville Road, Birmingham, B19 1DA

The Hive

The Hive began as a bunch of people who spent months drinking in the Beehive Inn, pretending to be planning a housing co-op, until one day we realised we'd taken it a bit too far... We are from a diverse range of tendencies [anarchist, socialist, suicidal...] united by a shared belief in social change through grassroots action [solidarity campaigns, housing and student rights, community food growing and catering...] and of course, co-operation. We have all spent five years or more in Bradford; for our sins and for cheap curries and dubious nightlife. We reached a limit of tolerance of squalid living conditions and naughty landlords that dominate the Bradford property scene. So we decided to own our own squalid living conditions, in a friendly, sustainable and DIY manner.

In June 1997, having secured an Ecology Building Society mortgage and a Radical Routes loan, we dived into a brilliant but sadly neglected four storey house in sunny Manningham. Initially, much of the energy of the co-op was invested in setting our house in order and doing lots of repair work.

Since then, we've dug in a bit, or rooted, or whatever it is you're meant to do, had the odd change of member, and at a steady pace waddled towards many of our original aspirations, whilst revising others. These include: a reasonable bit of DIY repair and renewal, the most exciting moments occurring in the upper echelons of the building, nothing to do with the view of the Valley Parade corner flag; the development of a nice wee garden cum scapyard; the establishment of a street association and community garden; playing an active role in Radical Routes, and a bicycle breeding programme that's seen us chasing off Raleigh corporate spies. Just around the corner are our more daring dreams: serious eco-renovation, a unilateral declaration of independence, and a permanently tidy hallway.
E-mail: hive@riseup.net

Mary Ann Johnson

We are a group of individuals from north London, most of us are either on welfare benefits or low waged. To solve our joint housing problems, and to take control of this part of our lives, we have set up a housing cooperative. We recently bought and converted a house in North London.

All of us are also involved in Haringey Solidarity Group which is a non-aligned local campaigning group. As part of the housing cooperative we hope to incorporate a meeting space and a few small office/ work spaces, for campaigning groups and others. If you want to know more get in touch.

PO Box 2474, London N8
E-mail: maj@haringey.org.uk

Nautia

Nautia is a housing co-op based in Norwich.

Nautia, 3 Eade Road, Norwich, Norfolk, NR3 3EH. Tel: 01603 663546
E-mail: nautia.house@googlemail.com



Ned's

Ned's is a housing co-op based in Forest Fields, Nottingham that has been going since 2001. It is less than a minutes' walk from the Sumac Centre and was brought at about the same time.

It consists of a large townhouse (housing 7 people), a converted garage that is now a self-contained flat (housing 2 adults and 3 children), a converted flour loft (housing one adult) and a large ex-factory space used for workshops and hosting gatherings.

Ned's Housing Cooperative, 73 Beech Avenue, Forest fields, Nottingham NG7 7LR
Tel: 0845 458 9595
E-mail: nedshousingcoop@riseup.net

New Education

New Education Housing Cooperative was founded in 1986 and was originally based in inner city Birmingham. The co-op relocated in July 200 because of a change in aims and direction.

New Education now owns outright a 4 bedroom house with a long garden in a semi-rural area 15 miles north of Swansea in the Upper Swansea Valley. The location was chosen for its mountain views and walks and its accessibility by public transport to the outstanding beauty of the Brecon Beacons and the Gower Peninsula coastline.

At the time of writing the co-op is in the process of reviewing its priorities and projects but is specifically concerned with: instantaneous and complete radical change in individuals and therefore society; health promotion; vegan issues; growing food organically; collectively owning resources; workers co-operatives; home education, creative parenting and living lightly. If all these areas are of concern to you and you would like to know more about our work please write enclosing a stamped addressed envelope to New Education: c/o Werndolau, Gelli Aur, SA32 8NE, Carmarthenshire, Wales

Nutclough Housing Co-operative (previously known as Zion)

We moved into the Nutclough Tavern in Hebden Bridge, West Yorkshire in December 2002. Current residents are nine humans, two cats and three budgies. We each have a small private space. The majority of the old pub and gardens is communal and we encourage neighbours to enjoy the studio and gardens. Many of our members are performers, artists and activists so they are often away from home at weekends and over the summer.

Our evening meals are vegan delights and we often have guests to eat and stay. We welcome visits from members of other co-ops and love to share our knowledge of the flora and fauna in the beautiful woods on our doorstep. Check out HX7 8HA. We encourage perspective members to participate fully in the co-op. When a room becomes available all unhoused members are considered. We welcome contact from anyone wishing to know more.

Nutclough Tavern, 6-8 Nutclough, Hebden Bridge, HX7 8HA. Tel: 01422 845990
Email: info@zionhousingcoop.org.uk
Web: <http://www.zionhousingcoop.org.uk/>

One Community

Keveral Farm has been an organic farm community for twenty five years. The house and farm-buildings are owned by our housing co-op One Community Limited [OCL] and the land is owned by Keveral Sustainable Land Holdings. Keveral Farmers Limited [KFL] manages the land and farm-buildings as a workers co-operative.

The 25 acres of farmland is organically certified by the Soil Association. We purchased Keveral in January 1997, with the help of loans from Radical Routes and Triodos Bank, after previously renting from Patchwork Housing Association.

The land consists of vegetable plots, polytunnels, a walled garden, camping field, orchard, woodland, and pasture. Permaculture ideas are being developed around the farm. Farm-based activities include horticulture, veg boxes, camp site, orchards, apple juice and cider, preserves, woodland and tree work, joinery, mushrooms, and herbal medicine. Some of us also work off the farm.

We take working visitors (including WWOOFers) to help us with our activities, in exchange for food and accommodation. Our camping area is available to holidaying visitors, and our Visitor's Barn is available for hire as a venue for courses or small groups.
Keveral Farm, Looe, PL13 1PA, Cornwall.
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Out of Town

We are a group adults and children who have been renting houses in Brighton for many years. In early 2009 we finally achieved our dream of buying and converting a large house giving us 9 bedrooms and lots of space. However we don't all fit it the new house so we continue to rent other places. Ultimately we aim to rescue a second ramshackle palace from the clutches of naughty landlords!

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Pangaia

Pangaia Housing Cooperative owns Hen Parcau Farm, a twelve acre small holding adjoining several thousand acres of woodland and situated in North Pembrokeshire, on the edge of the Preseli Mountains.

Pangaia has been closely involved with Growing Heart workers co-op for the past 14 years. Pangaia leases the land and outbuildings at Henparcau to Growing Heart to enable them to pursue their aims of earth restoration. In return, Pangaia has housed workers offering a safe space.

Initially when we moved here Henparcau was a derelict factory chicken farm, which the previous farmer had trashed when his business went bankrupt. When we moved here in late 1993 the house and buildings were neglected and full of dead animals, the cleaning was done mainly by the original group and plenty of volunteers. The outbuildings are now used mostly as workshops and the land has been brought back into use including certified organic status growing vegetables top and soft fruit.

In the late 1990's after a long period of turmoil the housing coop and worker coop elements finally harmonised and now members of the housing cooperative are required to be working with Growing Heart.

Hen Parcau Farm, Bwlch-y-groes, Boncath, SA37 0JY, Dyfed, Wales.
Tel: 01239 841675 / 659

Random Camel

Currently we are a co-op without a house! We've been setting up a co-op in our lovely town of Ipswich at a pace the snails envy! Feel free to contact us.

Random Camel Housing Co-op, 165 Burrell Road, Ipswich, IP1 8AA.