

East Whins Poll

1. Aspirations and Values

1. What are your aspirations for living in the East Whins Cluster?

2. How important is the co-housing aspect for you?

Very Important Reasonably Important Not Very Important Not Important at all Don't Know

Co-housing for me is:

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More in your own words:

3. Which co-housing values do you hold dear?

- Shared Space
- Communal Social Activities
- Private Time
- Time Together
- Communal Garden
- Private Space
- Community Meetings
- Community Newsletter
- Shared Responsibility for Communal Spaces

Any more values you would like to mention?

4. How do you see the balance between privacy and collectivity? What are your strategies for personal sustainability in the complex and demanding community that surrounds the Findhorn Foundation Community?

2. Developing the Residents Group

1. How do you see the residents form a group capable of creating a sustainable and nourishing culture for the cluster as well as management structures to maintain the collective assets responsibly?

2. How do you see decisions being made in the residents group?

- Duneland board makes as many decisions as possible beforehand without involving future residents
- Duneland board consults with future residents and makes decisions
- Small group of future residents delegated to make the decisions
- Future residents group to make decisions together
- using attunement
- using consensus
- using sociocracy

If you selected 'Future residents group to make decisions together' what other way would you suggest they make decisions?

3. What communication structures would facilitate information sharing and management as well as social networking?

- use of IT
- use of email list
- google group, google docs
- a residents website
- Or other method? (please specify)

3. Household Requirements

1. Does anyone in your household have special requirements for disabled facilities?

Yes

No

If you answered 'Yes', what facilities would you require? (please specify)

2. How many cars do you foresee your household to own? (The cluster needs to provide for all car parking needs of its residents.)

How many bikes would you like to store in the Communal Bike Shed?

Cars

Bikes

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3. How do you want to do your waste management: Use individual green bins and recycling bins?

Yes

No

If 'Yes' where to store them and where to locate the pick-up points?

4. Use collective waste bins and recycling facilities?

Yes

No

If 'Yes' where to locate them?

5. What arrangements do you want for composting organic waste?

4. Collective Ownership: Common Land

1. how much of the surrounding common land do you want to belong to the East Whins Cluster?

2. How do you see that common land taken care of?

3. Who will pay for the management?

4. What rules do you want to see for the private gardens, semi-public courtyards and the more public spaces within the cluster?

5. Collective Ownership: Common Room

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1. How would you like to see the Common Room used?

2. What would be your preferred lay-out of the room?

6. Collective Ownership: Common Guest Room

1. Given that the houses and flats are modest in size do you feel that a common guest room (in the flexiunit next to the common room) would add value to the cluster?

Yes

No

Please comment on your choice:

2. How do you see that guest room being managed and financed in the long term?

7. Collective Ownership: Additionally collectively owned assets

1. Do you want any other flexi-unit to be owned by the cluster, for example to be used as movement and workshop space, or any other purpose (which one?)

8. Collective Ownership: Laundry/Bikeshed/Boilerhouse (LBB)

1. Could you envision yourself using the collective laundry? How many washing machines do you think are needed for the cluster?

2. Would you use a collective drying room? How would you want to see that space laid out?

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3. Would you want to see the LBB include a workshop area which can be used for DIY?

Yes

No

9. Collective Ownership: Income earning cluster

1. Would you like to see aspects of the cluster to earn some income which could finance the ongoing management of the collectively owned assets?

Yes

No

If 'Yes' what aspects of the cluster do you think would earn income?

2. How would you see such an entrepreneurial spirit developed within the cluster?

3. What in your mind would be a suitable model to manage such a collective enterprise?

4. Which aspects do you think would be desirable/feasible?

- Generate more energy with Biomass boiler and export it to other areas - e.g. 1B, Pineridge, etc.
- Use roof surfaces for photovoltaic panels for electricity production (?in collaboration with Findhorn Windpark?)
- Income generation through market gardens/allotments
- Rent out car parking spaces allocated to East Whins but not used by residents
- amenity land - manage surrounding amenity land for the whole community and raise a charge to cover those costs
- Allow others in the community access to these facilities for a charge - such as Common Room, common guest room, use of laundry etc.
- Other (please specify)