

# Application to join an Emmaus community



**Before completing this application form, please read the following information carefully. We want to be sure that you fully understand what Emmaus is and how we might be able to support you.**

## About Emmaus

We support people who have experienced homelessness and social exclusion by offering a home and meaningful work. Unlike a hostel, we are a community of people who live and work together, supporting ourselves and one another through our social enterprise. Emmaus is not a religious organisation and we welcome people from all faiths and backgrounds.

There is no limit to how long you can stay at an Emmaus community, as long as you agree to take part in community life and follow a few simple rules.

## What is it like to live in an Emmaus community?

If you want to live in an Emmaus community we ask that you sign off all benefits, with the exception of housing benefit (we do also accept people with no recourse to public funds), and agree to work for 40 hours per week, to the best of your ability, in our social enterprise. This aims to help you to brush up the skills you might not have used for a while, gain new skills and experience and move forward with your life in a positive way.

## What can I expect?

In an Emmaus community everyone has their own room, with communal areas for eating and socialising. During the day, companions, as our residents are known, work in our social enterprises, which are mainly charity shops. The work could include working in the shop, sorting items in the warehouse, going out to make deliveries in our vans, or working in the community home.

Emmaus will provide:	You will be expected to:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A home for as long as you need it</li> <li>• Clothing, food and a small weekly allowance</li> <li>• Support to overcome any problems you may be experiencing</li> <li>• Work experience, training and support to help you to realise your aspirations and potential</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sign off all benefits, with the exception of housing benefit</li> <li>• Work in the charity's social enterprise for up to 40 hours per week, to the best of your ability</li> <li>• Engage with the support on offer</li> <li>• Take part in community life and support the Emmaus ethos</li> </ul>

Please answer all of the questions on this form honestly as this will enable us to make a fair assessment of your application.

To learn more about Emmaus and what we have to offer go to [www.emmaus.org.uk](http://www.emmaus.org.uk)

## Declaration

- I confirm that I have read the above information and understand that to live in an Emmaus community I would be expected to live in a community setting and work in

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the community's social enterprise. Having read and understood this, I would like to continue with this application.

### Referrer details

*Please complete this section if you are making a referral on behalf of someone else.*

Name:	Contact details:
Agency (if applicable):	Relationship to applicant:
<input type="checkbox"/> I confirm that the applicant has given their consent for me to send this application on their behalf and is happy, based on the information given on the previous page, that Emmaus could offer appropriate support to meet their needs.	

### Personal information

Name of applicant:		Gender:
Date of birth:	Nationality:	National Insurance Number:
Contact telephone:	Contact email:	
What would be the best way to contact you?		
Are you eligible for to claim Housing Benefit?  Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		If no, please say why

### Current housing situation

Sleeping rough: <input type="checkbox"/>	Social housing: <input type="checkbox"/>	Family Home: <input type="checkbox"/>
Hostel: <input type="checkbox"/>	Facing eviction: <input type="checkbox"/>	Private rental: <input type="checkbox"/>
Sofa surfing: <input type="checkbox"/>	Long stay hospital: <input type="checkbox"/>	Prison: <input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please give details)		
Where are you currently living? – address / site / town		

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<p>Have you lived at an Emmaus community before?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>If yes, which Emmaus community/communities?</p>
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### Support needs

*Please answer these questions honestly. Answering yes to any of these questions will not automatically exclude you from joining an Emmaus community, but it is important we have this information so we can make sure we can offer the support you need.*

Do you have any physical or mental health support needs?

Yes

No

If you have answered yes, please provide further information about the illness and what you would need from Emmaus to best support you:

Are you currently using drugs (non-prescribed medication)?

Yes

No

Have you taken part in a drug treatment programme?

Yes

No

Are you currently on a drug reduction programme?

Yes

No

If yes to any of the above, please give details

Do you consider yourself to have a problem with alcohol?

Yes

No

Have you had a problem with alcohol in the past?

Yes

No

Have you ever gone through a detox programme?

Yes

No

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If yes to any of the above, please give details

Do you consider yourself to have a problem with gambling?

Yes

No

If yes, please give details

### Offending history

Do you have any unspent criminal convictions?

Yes

No

Under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 unspent convictions are those records that will appear on a basic criminal record check.

If yes, please provide details of those offences, including the date and nature of the offence:

Are you currently on the Sex Offenders' Register?

Yes

No

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Please use this space to provide any further information you feel might be relevant to your application to joining an Emmaus community.

**There are 29 Emmaus communities across the UK. Please state which communities you would be happy for your referral to be passed to.**

**Please note:** all Emmaus communities are independent charities and have their own privacy statements. You should read the privacy statement for the community/communities you are applying to before submitting your application. These can be found at:

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Bolton	<input type="checkbox"/>	Greenwich	<input type="checkbox"/>	Merseyside	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Brighton &amp; Hove</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hampshire	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mossley (G. Manchester)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bristol	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hastings & Rother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Norfolk & Waveney	<input type="checkbox"/>
Burnley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hertfordshire	<input type="checkbox"/>	North East	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cambridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hull & East Riding	<input type="checkbox"/>	Oxford	<input type="checkbox"/>
Colchester	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lambeth	<input type="checkbox"/>	Preston	<input type="checkbox"/>
Coventry & Warwickshire	<input type="checkbox"/>	Leicestershire & Rutland	<input type="checkbox"/>	Salford	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dover	<input type="checkbox"/>	Leeds	<input type="checkbox"/>	South Wales	<input type="checkbox"/>
Glasgow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Carlton (Bedford)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gloucestershire	<input type="checkbox"/>	I would be happy to be considered by any Emmaus community:			<input type="checkbox"/>

**Declaration**

Emmaus Brighton & Hove will process your application in accordance with our privacy statement for companions. This provides more information about what information we collect, how and why we process it, as well as your rights with respect to the data. You can read our privacy statement at

In line with the terms of the Data Protection Act 1998 and General Data Protection Regulations, the information you have provided will only be used to process your application and for administrative purposes. It will only be used by the communities you have indicated you would be happy to have your referral passed to and will not be shared with third parties.

The information I have supplied is true and correct. I understand that giving information I know to be false may lead to my licence to occupy being withdrawn.

Signature of applicant:

Date:

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Please send your form to [Nick@emmausbrighton.co.uk](mailto:Nick@emmausbrighton.co.uk) . If you need any further information, please contact Nick Eaton, Community Manager, Emmaus Brighton & Hove on 01273 426 475

**What happens next?**

Once we receive your application we will look at whether we have any places available that may be suitable for your needs. If we don't have a place available, we will pass your application to Emmaus UK who will look into whether one of the other communities you have agreed to consider has availability. If one of our communities has a place available, someone from that community will make contact with you direct to discuss your referral and get more information from you before a decision can be made about your referral.

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