



Vidaråsen Landsby

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Co-worker Application Form for co-workers at Vidaråsen Landsby



Your details

All information provided in this application will be handled confidentially. Please be so kind as to return it as soon as possible.

Full name:

Please circle the name by which you wish to be known.

Date of birth:

_____/_____/_____
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Nationality:

As printed on your passport(s).

Permanent address:

Correspondence address:
(where applicable)

Telephone:

(+_____) _____
Country National

E-mail address:

_____@_____

Photograph

Please attach a recent photograph of yourself to this page.

(N.B. Should your application to Vidaråsen be accepted, it will save much time and effort and expedite the formalising of your status in Norway if you can arrive armed with a small number of recent passport photographs.)

Introduction

We are delighted that you are applying to be a co-worker at Vidaråsen. Together with this application form you may also find it useful to browse our website (www.vidaraasen.no), where you can read about different aspects of village life which will be of help in filling in your application. Please read through before filling in this form.

Answering such a comprehensive application procedure has two purposes:

Firstly, to give **you** the opportunity to learn as much as possible about life in Vidaråsen, so that you can make a conscious, informed decision as to whether or not you would like to come.

And secondly, to equip **us** to assess your suitability for the special but demanding village life.

There follows a number of questions which we have learnt from long experience it is useful to ask new applicants. It is important that we are able to form as full a picture of you as possible; of your wishes and intentions, and what you might be able to contribute to life here. Please take your time to answer the questions to the best of your ability. We hope that they do not put you off, as they are not intended to do so.

About you

- As a Camphill village, Vidaråsen is a residential and working community. About seventy adult villagers live here, with varying needs of special care. Living closely together with so many other people is demanding and strenuous, but can also be very rewarding. Do you feel up to this challenge?

- Where does your interest to come and live in our village stem from?

- Do you have previous experience in living or working in a curative or social therapeutic institution, or other relevant experience? Please describe.

- How do you know of the Camphill movement and Vidaråsen village?

- Is there any particular reason you are applying to a Camphill village in Norway (as opposed to another country)?

- Do you have any previous knowledge of the Camphill movement or anthroposophy? If so, please describe this. Vidaråsen has its own introductory course, which offers the opportunity to become better acquainted with the ideas at the heart of village life.

- Do you have any hobbies, interests or skills that you wish to share with others (e.g. music, dance, handwork)?

- Do you have any skills or training that you wish to make us aware of? Do you, for example, have a minibus/tractor driver's licence or are trained in the use of certain machinery/working with horses?

- Please describe earlier work experience and employment you might have had.

- What plans for the future do you have, educational or otherwise?

- It might be that you would have to change house or work-situation in the course of your stay in Vidaråsen, according to needs which might arise, sometimes unexpectedly. Are you prepared to help and work according to the needs of the village?

- The village is dependent on a certain degree of continuity, and we prefer that new co-workers stay for a full year. Is this possible for you?

- Do *you* have any questions you would like answered?

- Has Vidaråsen been recommended to you by a current or past co-worker? If so, who?

About your health

- Work in the village can be quite demanding both physically as well as mentally. Is there anything you would like to make us aware of? (For example: dizziness, epilepsy, migraine, diabetes or other afflictions – none of which need necessarily prevent you from joining us)

- Do you have any physical handicaps, such as reduced mobility or sight, etc?

- Do you have a mental health condition?

- Do you currently receive treatment for any physical or mental illnesses? If so, please attach a doctor's report.

- Have you suffered from any serious illnesses of late?

- Do you smoke or take any other addictive drugs? If yes, please describe the situation.

- Have you previously in your life taken any addictive drugs?

Please provide an emergency contact address (parent/guardian etc.):

Name:
Address:
Telephone:
Fax:
E-mail:

Make sure to visit your dentist and optician before coming, and ensure that everything is as it should be.

Background checks

- Do you have a criminal record? This need not be a hindrance for us accepting you as a co-worker but we do need to know if this is the case. Please obtain a police report and send it separately as soon as it is ready.

We also require the names of two people you would like to submit as references with whom we might make contact:

Name of reference **one**:

Address:

Telephone:

Fax:

E-mail:

Name of reference **two**:

Address:

Telephone:

Fax:

E-mail:

We hope that you can begin to learn Norwegian, so that you have even a small amount of Norwegian to build on by the time you arrive.

Please attach a customised CV.

Declaration

I have read this application form and www.vidaraasen.no.
I have answered to the best of my knowledge and wish to apply as a co-worker to Vidaråsen Village.

Date

Signature

Application checklist:

This application form

Your CV/Résumé

Recent photograph

Police report (can be posted later)

Any additional sheets used

Doctor's / optician's report (where applicable)

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