



Cricklade Development Foundation

Membership Application



Membership Shares Application Form



Before you sign this form, you must carefully read and ensure that you have understood the terms and conditions of membership as set out below.

Membership Rules

The rules of Cricklade Development Foundation Limited are important, they define your rights as a member. You are encouraged to read them. They set out in detail your rights and obligations as well as the way in which the Society is run. A copy is available on request or can be found at, and downloaded from, www.crickladefoundation.org.uk

Who can Join

Any individual over the age of sixteen, or organisation, is eligible to become a member.

Foundation Membership Shares

To become a Foundation Member, applicants are required to complete an application form and buy one or more shares in the Society. Application forms are available from the Society. Each share costs £50 and members are limited to a maximum purchase of 2,000 shares i.e. £100,000. Irrespective of the number of shares purchased members only have one vote at the Annual General Meeting.

It is important to note that the value of the shares will not increase. The only financial benefit for members is any interest payment.

Transfer & Withdrawal of Shares

The shares are not transferable and cannot be sold. The only way to recover the value of the shares purchased is to give three months' notice of withdrawal to the Society. Shares cannot be withdrawn until at least two years have elapsed from the date that the share purchase is recorded on the Share Register and then only at the discretion of the Society and subject to appropriate reserves being generated. The Society may however consider withdrawal requests within the first two years if no property has been purchased.

Shares are not transferable except on a member's death or bankruptcy and are withdrawable at the sole discretion of the Society in accordance with the Rules. All withdrawals will be paid from trading surpluses or new share capital. The Society may refuse a withdrawal request if it would endanger the business.

Interest Payments on Shares

The Society will pay interest on member's shares once the total number of Foundation Membership shares held is 50 or more. Interest is earned and accrued from this qualifying date but will not be paid for a period of two years from the qualifying date. Any such interest payment will be proposed by the Directors within the limits specified in the Rules and put to a vote at the Annual General Meeting. Any such proposal will be based on the performance of the Society and if approved will be accrued and/or paid gross to the member by the Society and it is each member's responsibility to declare such earnings to HMRC if appropriate.

Interest Rate

It is the intention, subject to an appropriate surplus being available, that interest will be paid at a rate of 2% but not less than the Bank of England's monthly average of UK resident banks' sterling weighted average interest rate for new time deposits from individuals and individual trusts or such other index that the

Directors may decide from time to time, and with a maximum of 5%. These rates will be reviewed at the Annual General Meeting of the Society. Members should however note that there is unlikely to be a trading surplus during the development stage of the initial project and that it is therefore likely that the declared rate of interest will be 0% during the first two years.

The Risks



A risk that you could lose all or part of your investment

This will only happen if Cricklade Development Foundation Limited's liabilities exceed its assets. For example; we have no lease/rental income, yet we still have loan payments. It might be that if the Society eventually sells the premises it owns there is no surplus after repaying creditors. The Society could not in those circumstances repay your share capital. Your liability, however, is limited to the value of your shares.

We think this situation is very unlikely because:

- a) the Society will take professional advice such as obtaining valuations, undertaking building surveys and employing experienced solicitors on any relevant undertakings to satisfy ourselves that we are paying an appropriate price and will have good title to any property we purchase.
- b) the Society will not be trading from the premises we purchase so that there will not be trading losses from any commercial business leasing the premises. The Society will simply own the property and lease/rent it.

Nonetheless you must understand that there is a risk that you may not get all your money back and you should take that into account in deciding whether to purchase shares.



A risk that you may not be able to withdraw your shares

The Rules permit withdrawals only in certain circumstances, and only after 2 years. Thereafter, if many people want to withdraw their money in a particular year, then not everyone will be able to withdraw their money in that year. In those circumstances, the repayments will be made in the order in which notice to withdraw was received.

Directors are not able to withdraw their shares without the approval of members at a General Meeting called for that purpose.



A risk that you see no returns

Another possible, albeit unlikely, outcome, is that there is no scope to pay interest on the investment for several years. The best way to avoid this is to generate sufficient lease/rental income and to minimise lease/rental voids.

Consumer Protection

Membership shares are exempt from the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and subsidiary regulations. This means that there is no right of complaint to an ombudsman. A Community Benefit Society is registered with, but not authorised by, the Financial Conduct Authority and therefore the money paid for shares is not safeguarded by any depositor protection scheme or dispute resolution scheme. As the whole of your investment could carry a risk, please consider it carefully and, if necessary, seek independent financial advice.

Status Disclosure

Cricklade Development Foundation Limited is a Community Benefit Society registered under the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014, Registered No. 7847, Registered Office: Cricklade Town Hall, Cricklade SN6 6EA.

Membership Application Form



Your Details *(please provide full details of how we can contact you)*

Surname:

Forename(s):

Address:

Postcode:

Tel No:

Email:

Share Ownership *(please tick only one box)*

I am applying (please tick the relevant box below):

As an individual

On behalf of a business, organisation, or other incorporated or unincorporated body

To buy shares as a gift for someone else aged 16 years or older

In the case of the last two categories please provide contact details of the Body or Donee when submitting your application so that we can ensure that the ownership is registered appropriately on the Share Register.

Declarations *(please ensure that all these are ticked)*

I confirm that I have read the Share Prospectus and the Cricklade Development Foundation Limited Rules (both can be found on our website: crickladefoundation.org.uk) and that I am over 16 years of age.

I understand and agree that my name, address, phone numbers, email address and the number of shares I am purchasing will be held securely on a computer database. This information will only be used for the purpose of maintaining a register of members and for posting notices regarding the activities of the Society. This information will not be passed to third parties.

Payment *(enter the amount to be invested, tick only one of the boxes about payment method, sign, and date)*

Membership shares are £50 each and the minimum purchase is one share. Above this you may buy as many as you like to a maximum of £100,000.

I wish to purchase shares to the value of £

I have paid by electronic transfer (Cricklade Development Foundation, Sort Code: 30-13-35, Account Number 69921068) and put my name as the reference.

Please find enclosed my cheque made payable to Cricklade Development Foundation.

Signature:

Date:

The completed Application Form, together with cheque (if appropriate) should be returned to Mr David Tetlow (Society Treasurer), 1 Pleydells, Cricklade SN6 6NG