



# 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:

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

Date of birth:

\_\_\_\_\_

DD                  MM                  YYYY

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.

## Introduction

We are delighted that you are applying to be a co-worker at Vidaråsen.

***Before filling in the application form we advise you to read the information on our website; <http://vidarasen.camphill.no/en/applying-to-vidaraasen/>, where you can find out about different aspects of village life which will be of help in filling in your application.***

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

- Vidaråsen is a residential and working community. About fifty 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. How do you feel about this challenge?
  
- Please describe your motivation to come and live in our village?
  
- 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?
  
- You will be asked to assist the villagers with personal hygiene. For example bathing, showering, cleaning teeth etc. How do you feel about this?

- 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 car or minibus licence or are you trained in the use of certain machinery?
  
- 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 you suffer from allergies. If so, what are you allergic to? (E.g. food, animals) Do you require special diets?
- 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?
- Please be aware that use of addictive drugs is prohibited at Vidaråsen, and that breaking of this rule will lead to dismissal.

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

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| 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. (This is very expensive in Norway)**

## 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. **If you are accepted as a co-worker at Vidaråsen, you will be asked to 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:

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| Name of reference <b>one</b> : |
| Address:                       |
| Telephone:                     |
| Fax:                           |
| E-mail:                        |

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| Name of reference <b>two</b> : |
| Address:                       |
| Telephone:                     |
| Fax:                           |
| E-mail:                        |

We wish 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](http://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*  
*Any additional sheets used;*  
*Doctor's / optician's report (where applicable)*

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