

How can a Cohousing scheme benefit my community?



The Cohousing model is an intentional community bringing together like minded people or specific social groups like women or ex-service personnel. The main principles of this model is democratic decision making, affordability and sustainability.

The model is based on independent living with shared services and space. The scheme is designed to promote informal interaction and mutual support through shared meals and regular management meetings. The main benefits of the scheme are :

1. Cohousing communities are intentional communities and bring like-minded people together.
2. Schemes can deliver high quality environments with energy efficient homes.
3. Residents living alone feel less isolated as they meet formally and informally on regular basis.
4. Homes are kept in line with incomes through innovative financial models ([see here for details](#)) [hyper link to mutual home ownership page](#)
5. Shared services such as cars or washing machines are a more ecological friendly way of living.

More information can be found [here](#)