

## Welcome

**Welcome to the Radical Routes Social Audit Questionnaire and Thank-you for sparing the time to take part.**

### **What's it all about?**

**Recently Radical Routes received some new grant funding to support its work. One of the things our new grant funders wanted to know was how we were keeping track of what Radical Routes was achieving and the impact of the organisation. From this the Radical Routes Social Audit was born – a short research project looking at 20 years of Radical Routes archives. We also decided to ask friends and members, former and present about their experiences with Radical Routes .**

**The purpose of this questionnaire is to get a better understanding of people's experience of Radical Routes and its member co-operatives. In particular we're interested in how living or working in a Radical Routes co-op improves people's lives and supports people acting for political, social & environmental change.**

**Click "next" to find out more. You can exit at any time if you decide you do not want to take part.**

## Introduction

# RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

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## What can I expect?

The questionnaire should take around 10-15 minutes to complete if you are a former member, less if you are a friend or customer of a co-op. It will mainly ask you how much you agree or disagree with various statements or to choose options from a list; it will also ask for a few facts about yourself and your time in co-ops. There is some opportunity to give longer answers, but only if you want to.

There is no 'correct' answer to any of the questions; we just ask that you select the answer which you feel best reflects your views at the present time – quick spontaneous answers are ideal.

**Note:** Items marked with a \* are mandatory (you have to enter them).

## How will the information be used?

The information gathered will be used as part of a written report about the Radical Routes network. We intend to get this report audited as recommended by the [Social Audit Network](#). The results of the report and audit will be made available and key findings published on our [website](#). The data you supply will not be shared or used for any purpose other than the audit. We will try to use it to make the network better at changing the world.

## Is it confidential, will you be asking personal questions?

The questionnaire is completely anonymous and will not ask for anything that would identify you personally. It will however ask a few possibly sensitive questions about, for example, race and gender identity. There is no obligation to answer any of these questions; however understanding the specific experiences of groups within the Radical Routes community is helpful. Radical Routes as an organisation aspires to challenge the privileges and oppressions that permeate mainstream society: which undoubtedly also enter our more radical spaces unless we take active steps to understand & counter them. So if you feel able to answer these questions we will use that information wisely.

## Who's carrying out the research

The Social Audit research is being carried out by [Catalyst Collective Ltd](#) on behalf of Radical Routes.

## Where can I find out more?

More about Social Auditing can be found on the [Social Audit Network](#)'s website.

More about Radical Routes at the [Radical Routes](#) website

**Clicking "Next" will take you to the first question**

## Relationship with Radical Routes

## RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

### \*Please could you tell us your current relationship with Radical Routes?

- I have been a member of a Radical Routes co-operative in the past.
- I'm someone who visits; uses the facilities of or is a customer of a Radical Routes co-operative (including Social Centre members)
- I'm aware of Radical Routes but don't have a direct relationship with the organisation
- I am currently a member of a Radical Routes co-operative (full, associate or prospective member)

**If you are not sure whether the co-op you know is a member of Radical Routes please check [this list](#).**

### Did you live in a Radical Routes housing co-op

#### \*Did you live in one (or more) Radical Routes housing co-op?

- Yes
- No

### Former members of one of more Radical Routes housing co-op

#### \*Between which years were you a member of Radical Routes housing co-ops?

Year I joined my first Radical Routes Housing co-op

Year I left my last Radical Routes Housing co-op

Year

#### \*Was this time living in co-ops continuous or did you spend time living somewhere else?

- Continuous
- I also lived in other places in this time

#### \*How many Radical Routes co-ops have you lived in in total?

#### How many years in total did you spend living in these housing co-ops (excluding breaks)?

#### \*Did you ever live in a Radical Routes co-op as a child?

- Yes
- No

# RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

## Housing co-op questions

**\* Thinking about your time in Radical Routes housing co-ops and comparing this to other accommodation options that might realistically have been available to you at the time, how much do you agree with the following statements?**

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
My housing situation was improved	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My housing was more affordable	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I had more security of tenancy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I had more control over who I lived with	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I felt less uncertainty in my housing situation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I had more control over how I lived	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I was able to act to improve the quality of my home and/or its facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I had a close bond of trust with those I lived with	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I felt less likely to experience prejudice or harassment within my home	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**So we can understand how your experience of prejudice or harassment might be different living in a Radical Routes co-op compared to other housing, please can you let us know how at risk of this type of discrimination you feel in general?**

- Very much at risk
- Occasionally or sometimes at risk
- No significant risk

## Housing co-op questions (continued)

## **RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire**

**A stated aim of Radical Routes is “build secure bases from which to challenge the existing capitalist system and encourage others to do so”.**

**We’d like to understand how living in a Radical Routes co-op may (or may not!) have helped you take part in activity that creates such challenge and change.**

**The debate about “what is social change activity” is still on-going within Radical Routes (and in a changing world will probably always need revisiting). For simplicity here we just ask that you use whatever definition your co-op used, or the one that makes most sense to you.**

**The questions deliberately avoid reference to the specifics of what social change activity you engaged in, in order to respect the confidentiality people may wish to have in respect of these actions.**

**We will be making a separate call to current member co-ops to provide us with examples of their social change activities, where we can be confident all the participants consent to that story being used.**

# RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

**\* Compared to the time before you lived there, how far do you agree or disagree with the following statements about living in a Radical Routes co-op?**

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
Living in a co-op made it easier for me to participate in social change activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Living in a co-op inspired me to work more towards social change	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My co-op provided me with safe respite and social support that helped me work for social change	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I felt I could depend on my co-op for solidarity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Living in a co-op made it easier to meet people with whom I could work for social change	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I considered living co-operatively to be in and of itself an act of social change	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My co-op gave me access to space and or resources (e.g office facilities, tools and equipment, telecommunications) that assisted my social change work.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I think living in a co-op reduced my resource consumption, compared to other housing options that might reasonably have been available to me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I'm more personally and/or politically confident as a result of my time in a Radical Routes co-op	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

## Why did you leave?

## RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

**\*You no longer live in a Radical Routes co-op. Can we ask why you decided to leave?**

**You can tick as many answers as you feel apply to you.**

- No particular push or pull – I just felt it was time for me to move on
- I needed to move (for example for work, personal reasons or education) and there wasn't a suitable place in a co-op where I needed to live
- Living in the co-op no longer suited me personally
- Living in the co-op no longer suited my family (or plans to start a family)
- I wanted a change from communal living
- I experienced an interpersonal difficulty in my co-op
- I no longer felt I was actively participating in the co-op
- I found the commitment of time to the co-op (either directly to co-op work and meetings or to related work like Radical Routes) was more than I could give
- There was a conflict between my commitment to the co-op and other political or social change activity I wanted to participate in
- I made a positive choice to move to another co-op or community (but not a Radical Routes affiliated one)
- I made a positive choice to move, but not to another co-op or intentional community
- My financial situation improved which gave me other housing options
- My co-op folded
- My co-op evicted me
- I'd prefer not to answer this question

Other (please specify)

**\*Assuming an appropriate accommodation was available, would you consider living in a Radical Routes co-op again?**

- Yes
- No
- Maybe
- Prefer not to say

**Where are you living now?**

**We'd like to gain an idea how living in a Radical Routes co-op might fit in with subsequent life choices. Please can we ask:**

# RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

## What type of accommodation do you live in now?

- I rent from a council or housing association
- I live in a non-Radical Routes co-op or other intentional community
- I travel or am itinerate with a live-in vehicle (e.g. truck, boat or wagon with living quarters)
- I travel or am itinerate without a live-in vehicle
- I have housing provided with my work
- I squat
- I own a home
- I privately rent
- I'd prefer not to answer this question

Other (specify if you wish)

## \*What types of accommodation have you lived in since leaving your last Radical Routes co-op? (you can chose as many as you wish)

- Council or housing association rented
- Non-Radical Routes co-op or other intentional community
- Travelling or itinerate with a live-in vehicle (e.g. truck, boat or wagon with living quarters)
- Travelling or itinerate without a live-in vehicle
- Housing provided with my work
- Squat
- Home which I own
- Privately rented
- I'd prefer not to answer this question

Other (specify if you wish)

## Who do you live with now?

- I live alone
- I just live with a partner
- I live with my family (any configuration of adults and children you consider your immediate family)
- I live with people outside my immediate family (all adults)
- I live with people outside my immediate family (a mixture of children and adults)
- I prefer not to say



## RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

**\* Regardless of where you now live, how far do the following apply compared to your time living in a Radical Routes co-op?**

	Applies more than before	Applies about the same as before	Applies, but less than before	No longer applies	Prefer not to say
I co-operate and share resources	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I aspire to and practice an ethical lifestyle	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I aspire to and practice live a low impact lifestyle	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

### Did you work in a Radical Routes workers' co-op

**\* Have you worked in one (or more) Radical Routes workers' co-op?**

- Yes  
 No

### Former members of one of more Radical Routes workers' co-op

**\* Between what years were you a member of Radical Routes workers' co-ops?**

Year	Year I joined my first Radical Routes Housing co-op	Year I left my last Radical Routes Housing co-op
Year	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

**\* Was this time working in co-ops continuous or did you spend time working somewhere else?**

- Continuous, only working in the Radical Routes co-op (or co-ops)  
 Continuous, but I had other jobs at the same time  
 I had periods in this time when I was not a co-op member

**\* How many Radical Routes co-ops have you worked in in total?**

**How many years in total did you spend working in these co-ops (excluding breaks)?**

### Workers' co-op questions

## RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

**\*Thinking about your time in Radical Routes workers' co-ops and comparing this to other employment options that might realistically have been available to you at the time, how much do you agree with the following statements?**

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
I had access to work - if I hadn't worked in the co-op I'd have most likely been unemployed	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My work was more secure	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I had a better level of pay	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My work was more personally meaningful	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I was doing work I considered socially or environmentally worthwhile	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I had more say in workplace decisions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My work was more flexible	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I was more involved in learning new skills and accessing training	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I was able to use skills I learnt as an activist	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I liked my work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I was less likely to experience prejudice or harassment in my workplace	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Working in a co-op made it easier for me to participate in social change activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Working in a co-op inspired me to work more towards social change	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My co-op provided me with safe respite and social support that helped me work for social change	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I felt I could depend on my co-op for solidarity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Working in a co-op made it easier to meet people with whom I could work for social change	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Working in a co-operative reduced the conflict between working for social change and paid work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My co-op allowed me flexibility in my working hours or time off specifically so I could participate in social change activity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I considered working co-operatively to be in and of itself an act of social change	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My co-op gave me access to space and or resources (e.g office facilities, tools and equipment, telecommunications) that assisted my social change work.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I believe that the resource impact of my work was lower in my co-operative job than it would be in the alternatives available to me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My co-op aspired and worked to minimise its environmental impact	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I'm more personally and/or politically confident as a result of my time in a	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

# RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

Radical Routes co-op

## Why did you leave?

**You no longer work in a Radical Routes co-op. Can we ask why you decided to leave?  
You can tick as many answers as you feel apply to you.**

- No particular push or pull – I just felt it was time for me to move on
- I was offered a job I preferred
- I was offered a job with better hours
- I was offered a job with better pay
- Working in the co-op no longer suited me personally
- I experienced an interpersonal difficulty in my co-op
- The co-op wasn't developing in the direction I hoped it would
- I no longer felt I was actively participating in the co-op
- I found the commitment of time to the co-op (either directly to co-op work and meetings or to related work like Radical Routes) was more than I could give
- There was a conflict between my commitment to the co-op and other political or social change activity I wanted to participate in
- I made a positive choice to move to another workers' co-op (but not a Radical Routes affiliated one)
- I made a positive choice to move, to work that wasn't in a co-op
- I returned to education
- My co-op folded
- My co-op fired me
- I'd prefer not to answer this question

Other (please specify)

**\*Assuming an appropriate position with adequate hours was available to you, would you consider working in a Radical Routes co-op again?**

- Yes
- No
- Maybe
- Prefer not to say

## What work do you do now?

## RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

**We'd like to gain an idea how working in a Radical Routes co-op might fit in with subsequent life choices. Please can we ask:**

**\*What type of work do you have now?**

- In a non-Radical Routes workers' co-op
- Employed in the public sector
- Employed in the private sector
- Self-employed
- Unemployed
- In education
- Raising a family is my main work
- I'd prefer not to say

Other (specify if you wish)

**\*What types of work have you had since leaving your last Radical Routes co-op? (you can chose as many as you wish)**

- In a non-Radical Routes workers' co-op
- Employed in the public sector
- Employed in the private sector
- Self-employed
- Unemployed
- In education
- Raising a family as my main work
- I'd prefer not to say

Other (specify if you wish)

**\*Approximately how many hours a week on average do you do paid work?**

## RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

**\* Regardless of where you now work, how far do the following apply to your current work compared to your time working in a Radical Routes co-op?**

	Applies more than before	Applies about the same as before	Applies, but less than before	No longer applies	Prefer not to say
I enjoy a good level of personal autonomy in my job	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am doing work I consider socially or environmentally beneficial	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I or my company aim to minimise the environmental impact of our work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Decision making in my workplace is fair and democratic	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

## Your relationship with the Radical Routes Network then

**\* Thinking just about your time in Radical Routes co-ops, how involved were you in the Radical Routes network**

- I went to a minimal number of Gatherings, that was all
- I occasionally helped with RR work commitment for my co-op but not on any regular basis and not as a core member of any working group.
- I regularly undertook RR work commitment for my co-op, but was not a core member of a working group
- I was a core member of a working group, but I didn't regularly undertake Radical Routes work commitment
- I regularly undertook RR work commitment for my co-op and was a core member of a working group
- I regularly exceeded any expectations of Radical Routes work commitment and was very active in the network. At the time Radical Routes was a major part of my political activity.

# RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

**\*Thinking specifically about your personal experience throughout the time you were a member of a Radical Routes co-op please can you indicate how far you agree with the following statements.**

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Indifferent	Agree	Strongly agree
I personally benefited from the Radical Routes network as a place to meet & network with others with a similar world view	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I wasn't bothered whether or not my co-op was a member of Radical Routes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Radical Routes was a useful source of social support and solidarity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel my co-op benefited from membership of Radical Routes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
As a Radical Routes member I felt secure in the knowledge I could find overnight accommodation across the UK	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I think there were other networks available at the time in the UK that could have offered the same or similar benefits to my co-op as Radical Routes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I was able to learn skills by being active in the Radical Routes network	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I formed close political affinities with others via Radical Routes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Radical Routes was a useful source of advice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I formed close friendships via Radical Routes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Radical Routes was a useful source of information	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The fact that Radical Routes explicitly promotes Mutual Aid has benefited me as a giver, not just a receiver of that support	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**\*Are you still in touch with the Radical Routes network or any of its members?**

Yes

No



## RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

**If you are not sure which co-ops are members of Radical Routes there is a list [here](#).**

### You and Radical Routes now

**\*It what ways are you still in touch with Radical Routes (tick all those that apply)**

- I sometimes go to Gatherings
- I'm still involved in political activities and campaigns with people who are Radical Routes co-op members
- I use facilities at a Radical Routes co-op
- I stay at one or more co-op
- I have friends or relatives at one or more co-op
- I go to co-op social events
- I still have obligations to a Radical Routes co-op (e.g. I'm storing things there, still paying off rent or undertaking work for the co-op)

Other (please specify)

**\*How often are you in touch with a Radical Routes co-op or members of a Radical Routes co-op? (By in touch we mean visiting, speaking to or in correspondence with)**

- Very frequently, probably most weeks
- Often, at least once a month
- Pretty regularly, at least five times a year
- Occassionally, at least once a year
- Very occassionally, less than once a year - but I still feel I am in touch

# RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

**\*We'd like to know what, if anything, you gain from your continued contact with the Radical Routes network or its members, especially how it might impact on the political action you take. Please could you tell us how much you agree or disagree with the following?**

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
I benefit from my continued connections with the Radical Routes network	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I benefit from it as a source of information about political campaigns or action	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My connection provides a useful source of social support and solidarity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I benefit from continued use of co-op equipment or facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I benefit from my continued Radical Routes connection as a way to meet people socially	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I benefit from my continued Radical Routes connection as a way to meet people with whom I can take political action	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel I understand what the ethos and values of Radical Routes are	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel the ethos & values of Radical Routes reflect my own views	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I do less work for social change than I did when I was in a Radical Routes co-op	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The focus of my political activity and work for social change is very different from when I was in a Radical Routes co-op	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I think Radical Routes is an effective organisation (that is it doing the things it claims to do)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

# RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

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## You and Radical Routes now

**\*We'd like to know what your lasting feelings are about Radical Routes and your time in it. Please could you tell us how much you agree or disagree with the following?**

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
My time in a Radical Route co-op was important in my political development	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My time in a Radical Route co-op was important in my personal development	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I learnt skills in my Radical Routes co-op that I still use and value today	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel I understand what the ethos and values of Radical Routes are	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel the ethos & values of Radical Routes reflect my own views	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I do less work for social change than I did when I was in a Radical Routes co-op	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The focus of my political activity and work for social change is very different from when I was in a Radical Routes co-op	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I think Radical Routes is an effective organisation (that is it doing the things it claims to do)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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# RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

## How do you know Radical Routes?

**We'd like to know how it is you come in contact with Radical Routes co-ops, whether these are housing co-ops, workers' co-ops or social centres. For each of the co-op types below, please select all answers which apply to you**

### **\*Workers' co-ops (choose all answers that apply)**

- I am a customer of a Radical Routes workers' co-op
- I share facilities or premises with a Radical Routes workers' co-op
- I am a friend or relative of someone in a Radical Routes workers' co-op
- I've attended a political or training event at or run by a Radical Routes workers' co-op
- I make use of space or resources (e.g. office facilities) at a Radical Routes workers' co-op
- I participate in a project based in a Radical Routes workers' co-op (e.g. food group, skill share)
- I am involved in activism, campaigning or community work with a Radical Routes workers' co-op member
- I'd prefer not to answer this question
- I don't have a relationship with a Radical Routes workers' co-op or its members

Other (please specify)

### **\*Social Centres (choose all answers that apply)**

- I'm a member of a Radical Routes affiliated Social Centre (not core collective member)
- I've attended a political or training event at or run by a Radical Routes affiliated Social Centre
- I've attended a social or entertainment event at or run by a Radical Routes affiliated Social Centre
- I make use of space or resources (e.g. office facilities) at a Radical Routes Social Centre
- I participate in a project based in a Radical Routes Social Centre (e.g. food group, skill share)
- I am involved in activism, campaigning or community work with a Radical Routes Social Centre member
- I'd prefer not to answer this question
- I don't have a relationship with a Radical Routes Social Centre or its members

Other (please specify)

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### \*Housing co-operatives (choose all answers that apply)

- I am a friend or relative of someone living in a Radical Routes housing co-op
- I've attended a political or training event at or run by a Radical Routes housing co-op
- I've attended a social or entertainment event at or run by a Radical Routes housing co-op
- I make use of space or resources (e.g. office facilities) at a Radical Routes housing co-op
- I participate in a project based in a Radical Routes housing co-op (e.g. food group, skill share)
- I am involved in activism, campaigning or community work with a Radical Routes housing co-op member
- I've been given emergency accommodation in a Radical Routes housing co-op
- I'd prefer not to answer this question
- I don't have a relationship with a Radical Routes housing co-op or its members

Other (please specify)

### \*Direct relationship with Radical Routes as a network (choose all answers that apply)

- I attend Radical Routes Gatherings
- I have attended a Radical Routes organised event other than a Gathering
- I use RR Gatherings and events for social networking amongst activists
- I'd prefer not to answer this question
- I don't have a direct relationship with an Radical Routes as a network

Other (please specify)

## How well do you know Radical Routes?

**Radical Routes is a secondary co-operative, that is a “co-operative of cooperatives” that provides structured and supportive mutual aid and loans to its members. Radical Routes is committed to promoting and supporting fully mutual co-ops, low impact living and grassroots action to create positive social and environmental change. It is also an explicitly anti-capitalist organisation which aims to organise in a non-hierarchical way.**

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**\* Before being asked to take part in this survey, how aware were you of Radical Routes and its aims and values?**

- Not at all
- Only slightly (I had heard of the organisation)
- Somewhat (I knew it was about co-ops and/or I knew it was about radical social change)
- Very (I feel I have a good knowledge about the Radical Routes network)
- I'd prefer not to answer this question

### How far do you agree with the aims of Radical Routes?

**\* You said in the previous question you have a good understanding of Radical Routes. As someone who knows the network well can we ask how far you agree with the following statements?**

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
I feel I understand what the ethos and values of Radical Routes are	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel the ethos & values of Radical Routes reflect my own views	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I think Radical Routes is an effective organisation (that is it doing the things it claims to do)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

### Are Radical Routes spaces safe spaces?

**Radical Routes is an organisation that aspires to challenge the prejudices and privileges endemic in mainstream society. Thinking about the time you spend at or with Radical Routes co-ops how including do you think they are?**

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**\* Irrespective of how you identify within any of the groups mentioned and thinking about the co-ops you spend time with, how far do you agree with the following statements?**

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
I feel safe from harassment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There is a general awareness of the operation of privilege and oppression in wider society and people take steps to challenge this.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
If I had a concern about prejudice or other inappropriate behaviour I'd feel able to raise it with someone in the co-op	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is a safe and including space for people irrespective of health or disability	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is a safe and including space for people irrespective of age	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is a safe and including space for people irrespective of class	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is a safe and including space for people irrespective of gender identity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is a safe and including space for people irrespective of race	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is a safe and including space for people irrespective of sexuality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
People communicate respectfully	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**If there is anything else you would like to say about discrimination or inclusion you can do so in the box below. Following the audit all comments and suggestions will be collated and passed to the relevant working group within Radical Routes so they can decide how to take action.**

## Radical Routes values

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**Radical Routes is an organisation that has a particular vision for creating positive social and environmental change. To help us understand how far you know about or share Radical Routes' values please could you tell us how far you agree or disagree with the following statements?**

**\*How far do you agree with the following statements?**

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	I'd prefer not to say
Capitalism is inevitable	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There is an urgent need for social change to create greater equality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I consider myself an activist	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The environment will not be adequately protected unless there is also significant social change	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I campaign on social, environmental, community or justice issues	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Direct Action is an important and legitimate tactic for creating social change	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I personally aim to minimise my environmental impact	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Changed is best achieved via existing democratic structures	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I consider co-operatives to be a viable alternative to the current capitalist system	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I believe it is politically important to aim to live a low/minimal impact lifestyle	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I consider myself a politically active person	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I'm not a radical	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I support the principle of co-operatives	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Do you benefit from Radical Routes?**



## RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

**We're interested to know how being a friend, visitor to or customer of a Radical Routes co-op or co-op member might benefit people. We're particularly interested to know how it helps and supports people working for social change.**

**\* Thinking about the co-op or co-ops you're most frequently in contact with, how much you agree or disagree with the following statements?**

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
I enjoy visiting the co-op(s)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I find the co-op(s) politically inspiring	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I've learnt skills either at s co-op or from people in s co-op	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The co-op is a good place to find information about political campaigns and actions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The co-op is a good place to share information about political campaigns and actions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
They throw a great party	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The co-op makes it easier to meet people to work with on campaigns	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
People in a co-op have provided me with significant support at a time of personal crisis	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
People I know through co-ops are a good source of social support and solidarity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Knowing the co-op makes it socially easier to live a low impact lifestyle (less pressure to consume!)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Knowing the co-op provides inspiration for low impact living	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

## RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

**\*Can you indicate which of these specific benefits you may have gained from a Radical Routes co-op you know? You can chose as many responses as apply**

- I use facilities (e.g. office space) in a co-op for campaigning or other activism
- I use equipment belonging to a co-op for campaigning or other activism
- I benefit from a project based at a co-op (e.g. food group, skill share event)
- I attend political meeting hosted by a co-op
- I've use co-ops as overnight accommodation when I out of town
- None really
- I'd prefer not to say

Other (please specify)

**We understand that in a general questionnaire like this we might not have touched on all the subjects you find important about Radical Routes co-ops. If there is anything else you want to share you can do so optionally below (in 150 words or less)**

### Personal questions

**It is important to seek to understand the experiences of different groups within Radical Routes, especially because Radical Routes is an organisation that aspires to challenge the prejudices and privileges endemic in mainstream society. All the questions in this section are on self-identity and we would like you to answer them however you feel most comfortable - we have tried to make sure there is plenty of flexibility in how the questions are answered. It is possible to skip any or all of these questions if you prefer, but it will be very helpful if you do feel able to give answers.**

**What is your age in years?**

# RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

## How would you describe your class background?

- Working Class
- Lower middle-class
- Upper middle-class
- Aristocracy/Landed Gentry/Of Independent Means

Other (please specify)

## What is your highest level of educational attainment? This list is based on the rankings given by the UK National Qualifications Framework and is not exhaustive. Choose the option you feel best reflects the education you received or your local equivalent if you were educated outside the UK.

- No Qualifications
- NVQ level 1
- CSE/GCSE Grades D-G
- NVQ or City & Guilds level 2
- GCSE A\*-C/O level
- AO/AS level
- 'A' level/NVQ or City & Guilds level 3
- Baccalaureate
- HND/HNC
- Bachelor Degree
- Masters Degree
- PhD

Other (please specify)

## How would you describe your gender?

## How would you describe your ethnicity?

## RRSA Friends and Former Members' Questionnaire

### Which of these descriptions best reflects your sexual orientation?

- Gay/Lesbian
- Queer
- Straight
- Bi

Other (please specify)

### Do you consider yourself to have a disability, special need or long-term illness?

- Yes, registered disabled
- Yes, but not registered
- No

## This questionnaire is not for you!

### Thank-you for visiting

**This questionnaire is intended for people with a direct relationship with the Radical Routes network or one of our member co-ops. Please visit <http://www.radicalroutes.org.uk> if you would like to know more about the Radical Routes network.**

## Wrong questionnaire

We have a separate questionnaire for people who are current members of one or more Radical Routes co-op. The Members' Questionnaire is slightly more detailed and allows more open-ended feedback. Your co-op should already have been sent details of the secure link for this questionnaire, or it can be found in the members' area of the [Radical Routes](#) website.

We'd be very grateful if you filled in this alternative questionnaire

## Survey complete

Thanks for filling in the Radical Routes Social Audit questionnaire. Look out for the results of the audit appearing on the [Radical Routes website](#) this summer.