

THE TAVISTOCK SUBSCRIPTION LIBRARY



The Library was founded in 1799 by a group of townspeople to provide access to books and current periodicals, for a modest fee.

The first premises were above a book shop; as membership and the stock of books increased a purpose-built library was provided, on what is now a corner of Bedford Square. This was a handsome building, but lasted less than ten years, because it stood in the way of the Duke of Bedford's improvements to the town centre. In 1831 the Duke granted the use of a room a Court Gate with an extension, designed by John Foulston, for a lecture room and a house for the librarian. With variations for financial reasons and two world wars, this was occupied by the Library until 1964, when the Bedford Estate sold the building and it was bought, with some assistance from a public appeal, by the Town Council. The Library could not afford the increased rent, so retreated to a room on the ground floor, which it still uses. Here are displayed portraits of the four Founders of the library, a painting of the short-lived building of the 1820s, and other objects of interest. The books, now dealing mainly with local topography and history, are for reference only and may not be removed from the room; some newspapers and magazines are available. Paid-up members have access at any time, although occasionally the room is in use for meetings by associated committees or educational groups.

The Subscription Library is a member of the Association of Independent Libraries and since 2007 has been a registered charity, with Trustees acting as a committee, elected annually in March. Details of the current subscription and how to apply for membership are herewith.



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Application for/Renewal of Membership 2017

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Application for membership/renewal of membership

Title and Surname

Christian Names

Address

Postcode

Telephone Number

Email address

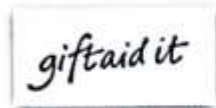
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The subscription is £10 as an Individual Member, or £15 for Family Membership.
Please enclose your cheque payable to Tavistock Subscription Library.
The Reading Room of the Tavistock Subscription Library houses reference books, current periodicals and newspapers.
None of these items may be removed from the premises under any circumstances.
However access to the Library for research is encouraged.
This signed application form confirms that the mentioned applicant accepts this rule and all other terms of membership as laid down by the committee.
I the undersigned, agree to abide by these Terms and Conditions of membership at all times:

Signed

Date of application

Reply to the Membership Secretary of the Tavistock Subscription Library



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