

## 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. The Reading Room of the Tavistock Subscription Library houses reference books and current periodicals for the use of members but none of these may be removed from the premises under the Rules and Terms and Conditions of Membership.

# TAVISTOCK SUBSCRIPTION LIBRARY

## Application and Renewal of Membership 2019

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## Application for Membership/Renewal of Membership.

The subscription is £12 as an Individual Member, or £18 for Family Membership – complete both names for family membership.

1. Title and Full Name .....

2. Title and Full Name .....

Address.....

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Postcode .....

Telephone Number.....

Email address.....

Please enclose your cheque made payable to Tavistock Subscription Library and post it or deliver it to the Membership Secretary at the Tavistock Subscription Library, Court Gate, Guildhall Square, Tavistock, Devon, PL19 0AE.

If we need to contact you we need to know how you would prefer this to be done: **Please tick one or more boxes.**

**By email**  **By Post**  **By Telephone**

Your personal details will not be passed to any other charity or organisation without your written authority except for HMRC if a claim is made for a Gift Aid repayment. You have a right to ask that your details be removed from the membership list at any time.

By signing this application form you confirm that you accept the rules and Terms and Conditions of membership at all times.

Signed .....

Date of application.....

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**Tavistock Subscription Library**

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