

Yorkshire Co-operative Resource Centre

Education, Training and Information

Co-operatives provide education and training for their members, elected representatives, managers, and employees so they can contribute effectively to the development of their co-operatives. They inform the general public - particularly young people and opinion leaders - about the nature and benefits of co-operation.

(Principle 5 of the International Statement of Co-operative Identity)

An accessible co-operative learning and information resource for all.

Lending Library.

Current edition and back issues of Co-operative News always available for readers.

Links with other archives and libraries. In particular, Sheffield Central Library Local Studies, Sheffield Archives and other collections in the Region and beyond. Also the Co-operative Heritage Trust which manages the National Co-operative Archive and the Rochdale Pioneers Museum.

Works co-operatively with other co-operatives (principle 6).

Organises talks, classes, discussions and film screenings etc.

Links with other co-operative educational bodies.

P5 is a member of Co-operatives UK, Co-operative Press and Sheffield Co-operative Development Group

Encourages and supports principle five throughout the Region.

Principle 5 co-operative resource centre is a friendly and accessible place where anyone can learn more about the Co-operative Movement.

Based at Aizlewood's Mill, Sheffield - a co-operatively owned building and home of the Sheffield Co-operative Development Group.

This collection of co-operative resources began with a realisation of the immense value of back editions of The Co-operative News. Back and current editions will always be available for reading.

In keeping with the co-operative principle of Openness and providing information; reports of co-operative societies, are available in the centre, both current and historic.

The Co-operative Movement has always been a great publisher of pamphlets and educational material, you will find a great selection at the Centre.

The Centre also has back editions of the Journal of Co-operative Studies, The Co-operative Review, Co-operative Gazette and The Millgate Monthly and a good deal of additional archive material both national and local which will be of interest to co-operative historians.

The lending library will be of particular interest. It started with 25 books, but thanks to the generosity of the East of England Co-operative Society and other donations from the Movement the Centre now has a substantial library for the use of members and researchers.

Membership is open to anyone who is interested in co-operation. For more information see our website;

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