Book List

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The following list might be useful for the Study Group.

For a well researched and written book about the history of the Co-operative Wholesale Society (Co-operative Group) I recommend;

Building Co-operation. Published by Oxford University Press 2013

John F. Wilson, Anthony Webster & Rachael Vorberg-Rugh

https://www.principle5.coop/books/building-co-operation-a-business-history-of-the-co-operative-group-1863-2013

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Who Was J.T.W Mitchell? Published 1995 by CWS Membership Services Stephen Yeo

https://www.principle5.coop/books/who-was-j-t-w-mitchell

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To understand the Co-operative Union (Co-operatives UK since 2002)

A Century Story of the Co-operative Union 1869 -1969. Published by the Co-operative Union. 1969
Desmond Flanagan

https://www.principle5.coop/books/a-centenary-story-of-the-co-operative-union-1869-1969

For an excellent introduction to the Co-operative Movement

Co-op: the people's business. Published by Manchester University Press 1994 Johnston Birchall

https://www.principle5.coop/books/co-op-the-peoples-business

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Weavers of Dreams – Founders of the modern cooperative movement First published 1994

Special Revised Edition to Honour the United Nations Year of Cooperatives Published in 2012, (152 pages) Twin Pines Press.

David J. Thompson

https://www.principle5.coop/books/weavers-of-dreams-founders-of-the-modern-cooperative-movement

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Learning for a Co-operative World (Edited by Tom Woodin and Linda Shaw) UCL Press, 2019

This is very timely publication – not just because it marks the centenary of one of the British co-operative movement's cherished institutions, but because it sets the discussion of co-operative education firmly in what is happening in the educational world. At a time when the neoliberal model has a firm grip on mainstream education what is the co-operative alternative?

Review by Nick Matthews (Chair of Co-operatives UK) writing in Co-operative News:

https://www.principle5.coop/books/learning-for-a-co-operative-world

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New Views of Society, Robert Owen for the 21st Century. Published Scottish Left Review Press. 2008 Edited by Richard Bickle and Molly Scott Cato

Highly recommended writing about co-operation in practice with an introduction by Gillian Lonergan.

https://www.principle5.coop/books/new-views-of-society-robert-owen-for-the-21st-century

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A Useable Past? Volume 1: Victorian Agitator George Jacob Holyoake

Published 2017 by Edward Everett Root, Brighton

Professor Stephen Yeo

https://www.principle5.coop/books/a-useable-past-volume-1-victorian-agitator-george-jacob-holyoake

Some Classics of the Co-operative Movement

British Co-operation. Published by the Co-operative Union 1961 Arnold Bonner

https://www.principle5.coop/books/british-co-operation

Industrial Co-operation. Published by the Co-operative Union 1910 Southern Co-operative Education Association. Edited by Catherine Webb https://www.principle5.coop/books/industrial-co-operation-the-story-of-a-peaceful-revolution

A Century of Co-operation. Published by the Co-operative Union 1944 G. D. H. Cole

https://www.principle5.coop/books/a-century-of-co-operation

Co-operative Education. Published by the Co-operative Union Co-operative Union Education Department https://www.principle5.coop/books/co-operative-education

The British Co-operative Movement. Published by Hutchinson & Co. 1955 revised 1960

Jack Bailey

https://www.principle5.coop/books/the-british-co-operative-movement

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The Co-operative Party

Consumers in Politics. A History & General Review of the Co-operative Party Pub. 1969 by the University of Manchester (The University Press)

Thomas F. Carbery

https://www.principle5.coop/books/consumers-in-politics

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Serving the People -

Co-operative Party History from Fred Perry to Gordon Brown Published by The Co-operative Party Greg Rosen

https://www.principle5.coop/books/serving-the-people-co-operative-party-history-from-fred-perry-to-gordon-brown

Sustainable Communities

Unlocking Sustainable Cities
Published in 2019 by Pluto Press

Paul Chatterton

https://www.principle5.coop/books/unlocking-sustainable-cities

The Transition Handbook – From oil dependency to local resilience Published 2008 by Green Books

Rob Hopkins

https://www.principle5.coop/books/the-transition-handbook-from-oil-dependency-to-local-resilience

The Power of Just Doing Stuff - how local action can change the world Pub. 2013 by Green Books

Rob Hopkins

https://www.principle5.coop/books/the-power-of-just-doing-stuff

Co-opportunity

Published by John Wiley and Sons Ltd in 2010

John Grant

https://www.principle5.coop/books/co-opportunity

How to Give Up Plastic
Published by Penguin in 2019

Will McCallum

https://www.principle5.coop/books/how-to-give-up-plastic