

TeaBooks Update: October 2023

TeaBooks is an Oxfordshire-wide project organising social book groups for the over-60s. Our groups enable people to share a love of books and reading while making new friends. Each group is run by a Volunteer Group Leader, who liaises with the local library to borrow the books, so there is no need for group members to buy them. The groups meet once a month, and there is a nominal charge of £1 per meeting (try your first session for free).

New Members

We have 21 groups running all over Oxfordshire. If you are interested in joining one, please get in touch so we can discuss the option which is best for you. Please see overleaf for details of groups currently looking for new members.

"It has given me the opportunity to access books. The group has widened my horizons."

"I love the meetings and the way that the group has developed into a friendly and supportive set of friends."

TeaBooks group members

New Volunteers

If you would like to become one of our amazing TeaBooks Volunteers, we would love to hear from you. It's a rewarding role and full training will be provided. We are always happy to explore setting up a new group if we have an enthusiastic Volunteer who is interested in running it.

"It's not just discussing the books that's so important. It's also the chance to meet like-minded people from the same neighbourhood for an hour of friendly, stimulating chat.

Often it ranges far beyond what we have all been reading. What's more, unlike most book groups there's none of the expense or bother of acquiring books."

Volunteer Group Leader



TeaBooks Opportunities

*** NEW GROUP ***

Wantage Library, Wantage
New members wanted



Due to popular demand, we have now set up an additional TeaBooks group in Wantage, which will meet at Wantage Library. Situated in the town centre, it is an ideal venue.

This group will be run by Pam, and the meetings will be held on the 3rd Friday of the month at 10.30am. The first meeting will be on Friday 20th October.

If you would like to be a founding member of this group, please get in touch to find out more.

*** NEW GROUP ***

Kennington Village Centre, Kennington
New members wanted



TeaBooks now has a group in Kennington, which meets in the Village Centre. With a free car park next door and buses going past the front door, it's an easy venue to get to.

This group is run by Penny, and the meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 10.30am. If you are interested in joining this group, please get in touch.

This group is kindly supported by the Friends of Kennington Library.

Northway Community Centre, Oxford
New members wanted



The Northway Community Centre TeaBooks group is looking for new members. Located in the heart of Northway with access to the car park next door, this ground floor meeting space is accessible for all.

This group is run by Alison and the meetings are held on the 4th Monday of month at 11.00am. Please get in touch to find out more.

This group is kindly supported by Northway District Community Association, Registered Charity Number 304344.

Bicester Library (group 2), Bicester
New members wanted



This Bicester Library TeaBooks group is looking for new members. Situated within easy reach of the town centre and a free car park, it is a great venue.

This group is run by Kim, and the meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 3.30 pm.

If you are interested in joining this group, please get in touch to find out more.

If you have any questions about TeaBooks, or would like to find out more, please contact us.

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