We are pleased to offer continuing access to the library, archive and biological collections of the Linnæan Society in 2022.

The Library will open four days a week, **Tuesdays to Fridays**.

Our opening hours will be **10am–5pm**.

Access continues to be **by appointment, booked at least 48 hours in advance**. We regret that visitors without an appointment—including Fellows and Associate Members—cannot be admitted.

**Precautions during your visit**

To safeguard everyone’s health and safety, and ensure the smooth running of the library service, we continue to implement a number of Covid-mitigation measures for visitors and staff. All readers are asked to familiarize themselves with these procedures ahead of their visit.

- **No reader will be admitted to the library without an appointment**, booked with a member of Collections staff at least 48 hours in advance. Readers will be asked to specify which items they wish to consult, so material may be fetched ahead of their arrival.

- **Readers with coronavirus symptoms** (a high temperature; a new, continuous cough; or a loss of, or change in, your sense of taste and/or smell) are kindly asked to postpone their visit and remain at home. Please see the [NHS website](https://www.nhs.uk) for symptoms.

- Following the Government’s announcement on January 19, many Covid-19 mitigation measures, such as social distancing and the wearing of a face covering, have become voluntary. We respect the right of readers to make their own choices, but would encourage all visitors to the library to exercise common sense in observing good hygiene during their visit. **The wearing of a face covering is encouraged, especially when in close proximity to other people.**

- We would ask readers to adhere to any relevant COVID-19 regulations in advance of their arrival (i.e., the wearing of face coverings on public transport, and socially-distancing as far as possible).

- New visitors to the library will be required to register, bringing one piece of photo ID (ideally a driving licence or passport). **Readers should note that information provided at registration may be shared with the NHS Test & Trace programme.** The Linnæan Society’s data protection and privacy policy can be consulted [here](https://www.linnean.org.uk/about/homepage).
All other regulations governing library use (including library loans) remain in effect. These may be consulted on our website: [https://www.linnean.org/research-collections/access/use-the-library-or-visit-us-1](https://www.linnean.org/research-collections/access/use-the-library-or-visit-us-1)

If you have any questions concerning these procedures, or any other aspect of the library service, please speak to a member of staff, or email library@linnean.org.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Society soon.

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