For further help

You can see more of our stock on our Library catalogue: https://leeds.ent.sirsidynix.net.uk/client/en GB/libraryonline

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Write or email your request to the contact details below. (Prices correct at time of printing.)



What is now Local and Family History, on the 2nd Floor of the Central Library, was originally the Reference department when the Central Library first opened in 1884. Many of the tables and chairs date from that time.

Opening times

Monday - 9.00am - 8.00pm Tuesday - 9.00am - 8.00pm Weds - 9.00am - 8.00pm Thursday 9.00am - 5.00pm Friday -9.00 - 5.00pm Saturday - 10.00am - 4.00pm Sunday - Closed

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Leeds Public Libraries Research Guide

Our Research Guides list some of the most useful, interesting and unique items in at Leeds Central Library. Many others are listed in our online and card catalogues. Items marked * may require 24-hours notice to view.

Contact us for more information: Visit: www.leeds.gov.uk/localandfamilyhistory Email: localandfamilyhistory@leeds.gov.uk Tel. (0113) 378 6982









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Photographs

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Did you know?



Burley Library was opened on 15th June 1926 and cost £8,338 to build

The first Rothwell Library was built in 1947; it was a wooden hut from a local closed isolation hospital. It remained there until June 1952 when it was replaced by a new prefabricated building



Designed by architect Percy Robinson and opened in 1902, Armley Library was the first purpose built Library in Leeds. In the early days of Leeds Libraries strictly 'ticket holders only' were admitted!

The History of Leeds Libraries

Some examples of the documents we hold on our Libraries spanning over 100 years:

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