

# LIBRARY

# Sustainable Building Performance and Design

## A guide to finding information

### 1. Books

If you are looking for a **particular book** and know the author or title, you can search the Library catalogue to see if it is held. The catalogue will give the exact location (shelfmark) for that book. There are a large number of **ebooks** which can also be accessed via the library catalogue.

You may also wish to browse the shelves – here are some key shelfmarks:

Climate change - Britain	551.6941
Solar energy	621.47
Environmental aspects of building materials	691 + 720.47
Building regulations	692.9
Energy efficiency	697.7
Solar heating in buildings	697.78
Sustainable development	711.132 + 333.7
Urban planning	711.4
<b>Sustainable/green architecture</b>	<b>720.47</b>
Twenty-first century architecture	724.7
Low energy housing	728

### Shelfmarks are on the 3 floors as follows:

000 - 499	Level 2
500 - 719	Level 3
720 - 999	Level 4

### 2. Journals

Both print and electronic/online journals are listed by title on the Library catalogue. (NB: look under the **journal title**, not the title of the **article** you need).

### 3. Journal articles

Journal articles can be accessed by either using Discover or a specialist journal collection (see below). These can be accessed via the home page by clicking on the button *Find a database* and then entering the title of the database.

[Academic Search Complete](#) – full text peer reviewed journal articles

[Avery](#) – journal articles relating to architecture

[Business Source Complete](#) – full text peer reviewed journal articles

[Detail Inspiration](#)

[Emerald](#) – full text peer reviewed journal articles

[LexisLibrary \(law\)](#)

[ScienceDirect](#)

[Westlaw \(law\)](#)

If the article you require is not available in any of the library's collections then you may be able to obtain a copy via the library's Inter-Library Loan service or by using the Bodleian Library.

#### 4. Cost information, British Standards, Building Regulations, technical reports

**[Building Cost Information Service \(BCIS\)](#)** - is available online and we also have access to the Online Rates Database. Access is through the Library Home Page and clicking the button *Journal Articles on a Topic*.

**[British Standards](#)** – are available via the library home page by clicking on the button *Journal Articles on a Topic*.

**Technical reports (Architects Working Details, BRE, CIRIA, TRL etc)** - are available online by using the **[Construction Information Service \(CIS\)](#)**. Access to this is via the library's home page click on the button *Journal Articles on a Topic*. Please note there is also the full text of a large number of ebooks relating to the built environment available on the CIS.

**Building Regulations** and books commenting on them are kept in the main book sequence at 692.9.

Building regulations are also available online via:

- The Construction Centre at [www.theconstructioncentre.co.uk](http://www.theconstructioncentre.co.uk)
- Planning Portal. <http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/>

#### 5. Dissertations and theses

- Brookes PhD and MPhil theses are held in the Library (ask at Enquiry Desk).
- Brookes Masters and undergraduate architecture dissertations are held in the Built Environment Resource Centre (AB215, Abercrombie Building)
- PhD and MPhil theses submitted at other UK universities are indexed on the *Index to Theses* (access via *Find a database*)

**Your Academic Liaison Librarian (Geoff Morgan)** – is available to help you use the library's resources and find the information you need. Please contact him via email: [g.morgan@brookes.ac.uk](mailto:g.morgan@brookes.ac.uk) or phone: 01865 483137. He also has a subject help page which you can access via the library's home page by clicking on *Subject Help* and then selecting *Architecture* from the list.

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