

FUSSELLS IRON INDUSTRY SOCIETY

The objectives of the Society are as follows:

- (i) To conserve the manufacturing facilities, buildings, equipment and artifacts associated with the Fussells family edge tool businesses which were active in the East Mendip area from around 1740 to 1900. These conservation activities include:
 - (a) To assist where practicable in the maintenance and conservation of the Fussells sites that are in private or public ownership.
 - (b) To establish a museum and archives dedicated to the Fussells and their activities.
 - (c) Where the opportunity may arise and be advisable for preservation, to take ownership of a Fussells site so that it may be conserved and maintained by the Society for public access and interest.
- (ii) To establish a Fussells library of documents and artifacts.
- (iii) To carry out documentary and physical research in all aspects of the area in which the Fussells sites are located
- (iv) To disseminate information to the public, educational establishments and libraries

In order to develop and sustain this ambitious programme it is essential for the Society to recruit new members and all who are willing to support this important work are cordially invited to join.

The Society will publish Newsletters at intervals and may also produce occasional more substantial publications. Where possible communication with members will be by e-mail in the interests of economy; members who choose this form of communication benefit from a reduced subscription rate.

The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held in the Tithe Barn at Mells, as will ordinary meetings as a rule. Meetings will normally be followed by a short talk or presentation on a topic related to the aims of the Society. Other events such as guided walks and visits to sites will be arranged or supported by the Society during the year.

Annual subscriptions fall due on 1 October each year. Payment by standing order minimises administration costs: if you wish to take up this option please complete the Standing Order Mandate opposite and forward it to your own bank.

The illustration on the front cover of this leaflet is taken from a photograph of a carved overmantel in a property within the area which the late Robin Atthill called 'Fussell Country' in his book 'Old Mendip'. It shows a selection of the type of tools made in the Fussells ironworks.

Annual Subscription:

Private Members (e-mail)	£	8.00
Private Members (postal)	£	10.00
UK Institutional Members	£	12.50
Overseas Members	£	15.00

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JOINING THE SOCIETY (Print out the next two pages)

Application Form

Please complete the membership application form and send it with a cheque to cover your first year's subscription * to the Society's Hon. Secretary. (* If you opt to pay future subscriptions by Standing Order you may also pay your first year subscription by this method - please see below)

Standing Order Mandate

If you wish to pay your subscriptions by Standing Order please complete all sections of the Mandate and forward it to **your bank**.

You should write your surname and initials in the reference box, the sum payable in figures after the £ sign and the sum payable in words within the brackets which follow the £ sign.

After the word 'commencing' please enter either the date of your membership application or, if you are paying your first year's subscription by cheque, 1 October followed by the relevant year.

Grant Aid Declaration

Completion and submission of this form will enable the Society to claim the refund of UK taxes which you will pay on the amount of your subscriptions and donations if and when the Society is registered as a Charity. If you decide to make this declaration it should be returned to the Society's Hon. Secretary with your membership application form. NB: You do not need to sign the Grant Aid Declaration.

To:

The Hon. Secretary, Fussells Iron Industry Society
Please enrol me as a member of the Fussells Iron Industry Society

Name *in capitals*

Address

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..... Postcode

e-mail Telephone

Signed Date

Cheques should be made payable to **Fussells Iron Industry Society**

I understand that my details may be held on a computer database for the purposes of the administration of the Society and that my name and address will, unless I request otherwise, be included in any membership list issued to members from time to time

To Bank **STANDING ORDER MANDATE**

Postal Address

Please pay **LloydsTSB, Frome, Somerset** [Sorting Code Number **30-93-40**] for the credit of **Fussells Iron Industry Society** [Account Number **01232026**] quoting reference the sum of £ [] only] commencing and thereafter **every 1 October** until further notice in writing and debit my/our account accordingly.

PLEASE CANCEL ALL PREVIOUS STANDING ORDER/DIRECT DEBITING MANDATES IN FAVOUR OF FUSSELLS IRON INDUSTRY SOCIETY

Name of account to be debited:	Account Number:
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Bank Sort Code: - -

Signature(s)

..... Date

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GIFT AID DECLARATION

It is intended that the Fussells Iron Industry Society shall be registered as a Charity. By completing the declaration below you will empower the Society, if and when it becomes a registered Charity, to claim the refund of UK taxes which you will pay on your subscriptions and donations from the date chosen. This declaration will be kept as a record until cancelled.

Title **Forename(s)**

Surname

Address

.....

..... **Postcode**

I want the charity to treat all donations (including membership subscriptions) from this date until further notice as Gift Aid donations.

Date

(Note: no signature is required)

Please remember to notify the Treasurer if you no longer pay Income or Capital Gains Tax equal to the tax which the Fussells Iron Industry Society will reclaim on your donations.

Donors are entitled to cancel their declarations at any time by any form of communication. No claims for tax refunds in the name of that donor may be made from the recorded date of the cancellation.