7 Mansfield Street
A unique experience for your event
Our centrally located Georgian headquarters provides a unique experience for your event. Newly refurbished, our stunning grade II* listed townhouse offers contemporary luxury and state of the art AV facilities combined with its historical heritage.

Our experienced and attentive team are here to welcome you and ensure your event runs smoothly. The rooms are flexible in design and we can devise a hiring package to suit your needs. Our guests enjoy high quality food and service and we cater for all budgets.

7 Mansfield Street is the headquarters of the British Veterinary Association. As a not-for-profit organisation the revenue generated from venue hire allows us to continue our work as the national representative body for the UK veterinary profession.

We hope to welcome you soon to 7 Mansfield Street.
First floor

Our first floor meeting rooms are all accessible by stairs or lift.

THE ALEEN CUST ROOM

The most intimate of our rooms, with beautiful original Georgian features and almost full height windows.

**DIMENSIONS**

30m²  7.55 x 4.11m

**LAYOUT OPTIONS**

- Lecture: 16
- Boardroom: 10
- Cabaret: n/a
- Standing reception: n/a

**PRICES**

- Half day/Evening (up to 3.5 hours): £350
- Full day (up to 7 hours): £500

THE GEORGE FLEMING ROOM

A stunning room at the heart of our grade II* listed townhouse, with original Georgian features and almost full height windows.

**DIMENSIONS**

44m²  8.44m x 5.36m

**LAYOUT OPTIONS**

- Lecture: 30
- Boardroom: 16
- Cabaret: n/a
- Standing reception: 25

**PRICES**

- Half day/Evening (up to 3.5 hours): £350
- Full day (up to 7 hours): £500

THE MARY BRANCKER ROOM

The largest and grandest of our rooms with original features including an ornate ceiling, full height windows and chandeliers.

**DIMENSIONS**

55m²  6.10m x 9.23m

**LAYOUT OPTIONS**

- Lecture: 50
- Boardroom: 25
- Cabaret: 40
- Standing reception: 80

**PRICES**

- Half day/Evening (up to 3.5 hours): £525
- Full day (up to 7 hours): £750

Discounted room hire is available for BVA members. Email venuehire@bva.co.uk or call 020 7636 6541
Lower ground floor

THE WILLIAM HUNTING SUITE

A unique, contemporary meeting area featuring the original vaulted ceilings. Looking out over the courtyard, and with an adjacent breakout area, the suite is ideal for group workshops.

DIMENSIONS
30m² 7m x 4.4m

LAYOUT OPTIONS
Lecture 16
Boardroom 10
Cabaret n/a
Standing reception n/a

BREAKOUT ROOM
DIMENSIONS
16m² 4.5m x 3.7m

LAYOUT OPTIONS
Informal seating 8

PRICES

STANDARD
Half day/Evening (up to 3.5 hours) £350
Full day (up to 7 hours) £500
Services and equipment

Our function rooms are equipped with new high spec AV systems to meet your event needs.

7 Mansfield Street offers the following facilities:

- Video conferencing £40
- Conference call facilities £40
- 55 and 65 inch plasma screens Free
- Flip chart and pens £10
- Photocopying (per sheet) 5p

All rooms include air conditioning and free Wi-Fi.

Catering

We offer catering packages to suit your event and budget. Our caterers abide by the BVA food procurement policy, ensuring that ingredients with the highest animal welfare standards are sourced responsibly and sustainably.

- Tea, coffee, biscuits £3 per person
- Bronze lunch £14 per person
  Includes meat, fish and vegetarian sandwiches, fruit, juice, water
- Silver lunch £16.50 per person
  Includes meat, fish and vegetarian sandwiches, fruit, cakes, juice and water
- Gold lunch £20 per person
  Includes meat, fish and vegetarian sandwiches, finger food, fruit, cakes, juice and water

Contact us

Our friendly team would be delighted to take your event enquiry. Venue tours will be available from April 2019. The event space is available for hire from 1 May 2019.

Please contact venuehire@bva.co.uk or call 020 7636 6541

www.bva.co.uk/venuehire
In 1922 Aleen Cust became the first female veterinary surgeon in the UK. Aleen attended veterinary school in Edinburgh where she enrolled under the name A.I. Custance to avoid embarrassment for her family.

In 1897, RCVS Council declined Aleen’s application to sit her professional examinations. She attempted to challenge the decision in Scotland, again, to spare her family embarrassment. But because the RCVS was located in England, the Scottish courts ruled that they lacked jurisdiction. Following graduation, Aleen returned to her native Ireland. Although unable to call herself a veterinarian, she worked as an assistant to a veterinarian and volunteered for the Young Men’s Christian Association during the war.

In 1919 Parliament passed the Sex Disqualification (Removal) Act and in 1922 RCVS Council accepted Aleen’s application to take her examination. In December 1922, 22 years after she completed her veterinary education, the RCVS President personally presented Aleen with her diploma.

In 1882 George Fleming was elected as the first President of the National Veterinary Association, now known as the British Veterinary Association.

After graduating from Edinburgh Vet School, George entered the Army Veterinary Department serving around the world including during the Crimean and Second Opium Wars.

George became Vice-President of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons in 1867. In 1880 he was elected RCVS President, and was then re-elected for three years in succession.

George was integral in securing the passing of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1881, which restricted the title of veterinary surgeon to diploma-holders of the RCVS.

George was appointed CB in the 1887 Golden Jubilee Honours.
Mary Brancker was the first woman to become President of the British Veterinary Association. Her year of office coincided with the 1967–1968 outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease – the worst ever in the UK to that date. Mary was responsible for directing the practising arm of the veterinary profession during the outbreak, for which she was awarded an OBE in 1969.

Mary’s involvement in BVA started during World War II when bomb damage forced the evacuation of BVA’s London headquarters. During this time BVA was run from then-President Henry Steele-Bodger’s practice where Mary was an assistant.

During her lifetime, Mary saw the veterinary profession change from a male-dominated environment to one in which 60% of vets are now female.

Mary was made a CBE in 2000 for services to animal health and welfare.

William Hunting was the founder of BVA’s official journal Veterinary Record, now known as Vet Record. The first edition was published on July 14, 1888 and William remained editor until his death in 1913.

William Hunting was a vet and a prominent member of the National Veterinary Association, now the British Veterinary Association.

He aimed to make Veterinary Record both educative and informative, saying:

“Careful observation makes a skilful practitioner, but his skill dies with him. By recording his observations, he adds to the knowledge of his profession.”

Today Vet Record is one of our most valued member benefits and continues to provide the evidence base for veterinary practice.

Image courtesy of Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons Trust
LOCATION
7 Mansfield Street
London W1G 9NQ

7 Mansfield Street is conveniently located under ten minutes’ walk from Oxford Circus, Bond Street, Great Portland Street and Regent’s Park Underground stations.

BY UNDERGROUND
The nearest Underground stations are:
- Oxford Circus (Central, Bakerloo and Victoria lines)
- Regent’s Park (Bakerloo line)
- Great Portland Street (Circle, Hammersmith & City and Metropolitan lines)
- Bond Street (Central and Jubilee lines)

BY NATIONAL RAIL
7 Mansfield Street is in easy reach (via the Underground) of all London’s main rail stations. Euston, King’s Cross St Pancras, and Marylebone are all close by.

BY CAR
7 Mansfield Street is within the London Congestion Charge Zone (from £11.50/day) and although there are car parks nearby, these can be costly. We would recommend using public transport where possible.

A strong voice for vets