

## RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

### CHEADLE HULME MEETING

Sunday 3 July 2016

Friends present: 9

- 1. Readings.** Paragraph 8 of *Advices and Queries* has been read in Meeting for Worship.
- 2. East Cheshire Meeting, July Business Meeting.** We appoint Susan Clark and Peter Eccles to attend East Cheshire Meeting at Disley on Saturday 9 July from 10 to 12.30.
- 3. Nominations Committee.** Further to Minute 4 of our last meeting, Wendy Robinson agreed to serve on the Nominations Committee.
- 4. Child protection.** Further to Minute 3(a) of our April Business Meeting, Jackie Barker now has a DBS certificate for work with the Meeting.
- 5. Away Day.** Further to Minute 10 of our last meeting, Susan Clark tells us that Whaley Hall is now booked for an Away Day on Saturday 1 October at a cost of £30 per person for the day, which includes lunch and dinner. Bursary help is available.
- 6. *Our Faith in the Future.*** Further to Minute 5 of our last business meeting, we have since realised that the date we have chosen may not facilitate the discussion we had hoped due to attendance. And, we have since thought that inviting Andrew Backhouse, our representative for Meeting for Sufferings, would be very helpful. We ask the clerks to reach out to Andrew to see when he might be available.
- 7. Bring and share lunch.** Elders and Overseers have suggested that we have a bring and share lunch after meeting on 9 October. Geoffrey Clifton has agreed to coordinate the arrangements. However, there are several other events occurring in October, and Friends feel that another date might be preferable. We ask Elders and Overseers to consider if another date is possible.
- 8. Ann Lewis' 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.** Ann Lewis will be turning 90 this October. Friends would like to do something in celebration of this occasion. We ask Peter Eccles to reach out to Ann to see what she might like Friends to do and when.
- 9. Membership.** Further to minute 7 of our business meeting this time last year, in which we asked the clerks to convene a meeting to consider the concern about how members understand and accept the responsibilities of being a member, we acknowledge that such a meeting has not taken place and indeed that the sense of the Meeting has moved on since then. We release the clerks from this responsibility and look forward to our reflection on *Our Faith in the Future*, as this perhaps is now where our hearts and minds are focused.

- 10. Kitchen roof.** The kitchen roof has been leaking badly and a quotation has been received from Northern Roofing for repair at a cost of £380 or for the applying a new roof covering (with a 20 year guarantee) at a cost of £2,560 (both including VAT). The roof was last repaired in 2005 and the kitchen was originally built in 1974. We agree that it would be best to have a new roof covering but ask Premises Committee to obtain a second quote from R Lomas & Son. This work will require the approval of Area Meeting Trustees, but we agree to pay for this work from Meeting Funds.
- 11. Midweek Meeting for Worship.** Liz Perry is away for the August midweek Meeting for Worship. We agree to go ahead with the meeting. Susan Clark will coordinate the arrangements.
- 12. Fundraising Lunch.** Sue Clark has offered to organise a lunch in aid of our Quaker and Local Projects Fund on Sunday 14 August. We agree to this and thank Sue.

Peter J Eccles and Taylor Giacomina, co-clerks