

RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

CHEADLE HULME MEETING

Sunday 4 December 2016

Friends present: 8

1. **Readings.** Paragraph 31 of *Advices and Queries* has been read in meeting for worship.
2. **Intervisitation.** Alan Ingram and Evelyn Ingram visited Macclesfield Meeting during November.
3. **East Cheshire Meeting, November Business Meeting.** The Friends appointed attended this meeting and a report was given after meeting for worship. The relevant minutes have been noted.
 - a. **Minute 16.11.15. Poetry Anthology.** Further to Minute 9 of our last meeting, Area Meeting encouraged local meetings to buy copies of *Worn with Pride* for their local secondary schools. Evelyn Ingram has delivered a copy to five local schools.
 - b. **Minute 16.11.22. Outward Affairs.** This minute has been circulated by email and the appropriate parts were read out after meeting for worship today. We ask the clerks to report this to Area Meeting.
 - c. **Minute 16.11.23. Annual Duties.** We ask the clerks to report to Area Meeting that we have held weekly meetings for worship, meetings for church affairs in most months, the advices and queries are read regularly in meeting for worship, the Yearly Meeting epistle was read in meeting for worship, and we are compliant with the Data Protection Act.
4. **Nominations Committee.** Further to Minute 4 of our last meeting, our Nominations Committee brings in a further nomination for appointment to serve in 2017.

Correspondent for Quaker Peace and Social Witness: John Stallard

This name being acceptable we appoint John to this service.

5. **Quaker and Local Projects Fund.** We agree to meet after meeting for worship next Sunday, 11 December, to consider the distribution of the Quaker and Local Projects Fund. Rachel Mulliner will distribute information beforehand.

- 6. Quaker Faith & Practice Readings.** Further to Minute 5 of our last meeting, we agree not to hold the Quaker Faith & Practice session on 11 December to make space for the meeting about the Projects Fund. [This isn't the minute agreed in the meeting as in the meeting we had forgotten that we had agreed last month to move the Quaker Faith & Practice sessions from the third to the second Sunday. The next Quaker Faith & Practice worship-sharing session will now be on Sunday 8 January after meeting for worship when we will consider Chapter 27.]
- 7. Wardens use of the meeting house.** Our Wardens have asked whether they might have their family Christmas lunch in the Committee Room on 25 December. This would not be until 1.30 so should not interfere with meeting for worship that day. We agree to this.
- 8. Christmas card exchange.** We agree to exchange Christmas cards on Sunday 18 December.
- 9. Mid-week meeting for worship.** Further to Minute 6 of our last meeting, we agree to continue these meetings on the first Thursday of the month for the time being. We accept Evelyn Ingram's offer to post notices about these on local notice boards. We ask Susan Clark to let Churches Together in Cheadle Hulme know about these meetings.
- 10. Lenten Lunch.** We have been asked whether we are willing to host a Lenten lunch for Christian Aid on Saturday 1 April. We agree to this and ask Evelyn Ingram to coordinate the arrangements.
- 11. Churches Together in Cheadle Hulme.** Further to Minute 11 of our October business meeting, we confirm the date of this event [hosting the regular business meeting of Churches Together] as Monday 30 January 2017. We ask Elders to consider the arrangements with Susan Clark.
- 12. Fund-raising lunch.** Further to Minute 10 of our October Business Meeting, a lunch in aid of our Quaker and Local Projects Fund was held last Sunday and raised £77.50.
- 13. January Business Meeting.** We agree not to have a Business Meeting in January. We ask Peter Eccles to coordinate arrangements for lunch when Area Meeting meets here in February.

(signed) Peter J Eccles and Taylor Giacomina, co-clerks.

