

RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS
CHEADLE HULME MEETING

Sunday 4 June 2017

Friends present: 11

1. **Readings.** Paragraphs 28, 29 and 34 of *Advices and Queries* have been read in Meeting for Worship.
2. **Intervisitation.** Christine Wilson and Geoffrey Clifton visited Disley Meeting during May.

We ask Christine Wilson to visit Frandley Meeting during June.

3. **East Cheshire Meeting, May Business Meeting.** The Friends appointed attended this meeting and a report was given after meeting for worship. The relevant minutes have been noted.
4. **The Friend and The Friends' Quarterly subscriptions.** We agree to renew these subscriptions for a further year.
5. **Midweek meeting for worship.** Further to Minute 9 of our February meeting we have reviewed our midweek meetings for worship. These have taken place on a Thursday evening once a month in most months since March 2016. Since October 2016 they have been on the first Thursday in the month.

Numbers attending these meetings have been small but most Friends attending have appreciated them. However, the meetings have not achieved the objective of providing a meeting for those unable to attend on a Sunday morning. We agree to discontinue the meetings for time being and thank Liz Perry for coordinating them.

6. **Nominations Committee.** In June 2016 we appointed Christine Wilson to serve on our Nominations Committee for two years and Wendy Robinson to serve on the Committee for three years and so these Friends serve for the coming year. In addition, we now appoint Darren Booth to serve on the Committee for three years. Christine Wilson will act as convenor for the coming year.

We ask our Nominations Committee to bring nominations for local meeting appointments in 2018 to a future Business Meeting. We agree to reintroduce a Catering Committee to coordinate catering arrangements in the meeting.

We thank Geoffrey Clifton and Mike Nash for their service on the Committee for the last three years.

7. Quaker Faith and Practice Readings. The last of the nineteen worship sharing sessions reflecting on the reading of *Quaker Faith and Practice* was held last Sunday. About a dozen Friends have taken part in some or all of the groups and, on the whole, participants have found it a useful experience. Friends are encouraged to consider responding to the Yearly Meeting consultation about the experience which is part of the preparation for a consideration at a future Yearly Meeting of whether a new version of the *Book of Discipline* is needed.

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