

RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS
CHEADLE HULME MEETING

Sunday 3 September 2017

Friends present: 11

1. **Readings.** Paragraph 5 of *Advices and Queries* and the *Epistle* from Britain Yearly Meeting have been read in Meeting for Worship.
2. **Intervisitation.** Alan Ingram and Evelyn Ingram visited Crewe & Nantwich in July and Christine Wilson has visited Frandley Meeting and Wilmslow Meeting during August. Geoffrey Clifton will visit Stockport meeting in September.
3. **East Cheshire Meeting, July 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 17.07.4.** We are delighted that Darren Booth was accepted into membership.
 - (b) **Minute 17.07.10.** We note that Area Meeting is to be held at Cheadle Hulme on Sunday 11 November 2018.
4. **East Cheshire Meeting, September Business Meeting.** We appoint Peter Eccles and Alan Ingram to attend this meeting at The Ridge Methodist Church, Marple on Saturday 9 September.
5. **Report of Nominations Committee.** Further to Minute 6 of our June meeting, Nominations Committee brings forward the following nominations of Friends to serve the meeting in 2018. Nominations has undertaken this very difficult task, bearing in mind that it is essential that the future of the meeting be considered. They have suggested that, in fact, we may like to consider what actually needs doing in the meeting, and what doesn't, and how jobs might be changed or even laid down. We agree to consider this at a future date. We accept the nominations, as amended. We note that there are two considerable changes in the upcoming year: the change in clerkship and the re-establishment of the Catering Committee. We thank the Nominations Committee, particularly convener Christine Wilson, for their service to the meeting in providing these nominations.

Clerk	Taylor Giacomia
Assistant Clerk	Evelyn Ingram
Treasurer	Rachel Mulliner
Assistant Treasurer	Alan Ingram
Examiner of Accounts	Geoffrey Clifton
Premises Committee	Susan Clark (Convener), Jackie Barker, Helen Bohme, Michael Nash, Peter Eccles (Wardens' Link Friend)
Catering Committee	Helen Böhme (Convener), Marion Thompson, Christine Wilson, Michael Nash

Tea and Coffee Rota	Christine Wilson
Flowers	Wendy Robinson, Christine Wilson
Children's Meeting	Jackie Barker
Churches Together in Cheadle Hulme	Susan Clark
Cheadle Hulme Ministers Meeting	Susan Clark
Christian Aid	Alan Ingram, Evelyn Ingram
Door Keeping	Alan Ingram, James Gleave, Darren Booth
Newsletter	vacancy
Leaflets and Posters	Evelyn Ingram
Friends to be informed of Deaths	Ann Lewis, Christine Wilson
Library	Geoffrey Clifton
Correspondents:	
Quaker Council for European Affairs	Peter Eccles
Quaker Council for Peace and Social Witness	John Stallard
Woodbrooke	Michael Nash
Stockport Interfaith Forum	Peter Eccles
Stockport Peace Forum	Rachel Mulliner

6. Area meeting appointments. Also arising from the Nominations Committee report,

- (a) We agree to nominate Susan Clark to serve on the Area Meeting Nominations Committee from 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2020.
- (b) Liz Perry asked asked Area Meeting to be released from her service as an Elder and this will be coming to Area Meeting next Saturday. Anticipating that this will be agreed by Area Meeting, we nominate Geoffrey Clifton to serve as an Elder in her place until 31 December 2018.

7. Premises Committee matters. Premises Committee met on Monday 31 July and the following matters arise from that meeting.

- (a) **Removal of fireplace in the meeting room.** It was agreed that this should be done at a cost of £585, including making good the wall and the skirting board. This has now been done.
- (b) **Tree pruning.** A quotation for £200 has been obtained to do various tree pruning work. This is inclusive of waste removal. we agree to this.
- (c) **Decoration of the ground floor interior.** Further to Minute 9 of our June 2016 meeting, Premises Committee has obtained a quotation for undertaking this work and after meeting on 20 August Friends agreed that this could go ahead although Friends were a little surprised at the cost (3000). The Committee is liaising with the decorator and the wardens as to when this will be completed.
- (d) **Carpeting.** The Committee would like to pursue quotations to replace the carpeting in the foyer and in the meeting room. We agree to this.

- 8. Yealand Old School Refurbishment appeal.** We agree to send £200 to help with the refurbishment, an amount greater than often we send for such appeals given the benefit Yealand Old School has provided for our meeting over many years. We ask that Area Meeting also consider a contribution.

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