

Responses from local meetings in response to Minute 23.11.12 regarding the Area Meeting website

Cheadle Hulme

Peter Eccles led a discussion asking the question, Do Friends feel that a 'dynamic' or a 'static' website would be most useful? Friends were in favour of a 'dynamic' website in the hope that other meetings would also adopt a similar 'live' site with regular postings.

Crewe & Nantwich

Some points from Crewe and Nantwich about the website:

- 1) It works better on some phones than others
- 2) The "find out more about Quakers" would be better near the top
- 3) The layout seems to be all on the left - could the right hand side be used too?
- 4) Perhaps keep the longer versions of articles on each Meeting's page, and have shorter versions with pictures on the main page. Could these be in coloured boxes like the Quake newsletter? This might be combined with a shorter time span for the main page, and articles from say six months or longer ago to be on the individual pages?

Marple

We agree that we would like to continue with a "dynamic website" for Marple meeting as part of the AM website, and monitor how it works for us. Friends would feed content to Trevor who would post it on our behalf.

Stockport

We would like a dynamic website where the content can be updated by individuals in the Meeting and events and reports posted easily.

David Cartwright has been appointed to input data to the Area Meeting website and remove it as necessary.

We will post on the website

Photos of our activities as outreach (with the permission of those in the photos)

Events for the next month

The Convenor of the Events Group will write the details of each event for the next month after consulting with the leader of each event about what should go on the website. This information will be passed to David Cartwright.

Other Activities

If an activity or event is not one suggested by the Events Group, the organisers of each event or activity will be responsible for writing their own information to go on the website and passing it to David Cartwright.

Reports

Participants in events or activities can post short reports afterwards by passing them to David if they wish to do so.

Minutes

We will only post minutes if the website is going to include a protected area.

Wilmslow

Wilmslow Friends have discussed the current format and content of the East Cheshire Area Meeting Website and have the following comments and suggestions:-

- A simple Home Page that remains static, visually interesting, with information about our Area Meeting, possibly with links to other sources of information about Quakers, e.g. Quaker Faith and Practice.
- A separate dynamic page for news and events.
- Local Meeting pages - dynamic or static, depending on the preference of the Local Meeting. LM Friends feel a dynamic Local Meeting webpage would be challenging to administer.
- Standardised file names for documents and events.
- A reliable search function for documents and events.
- Some Friends have concerns that our documents are publicly available.

In summary, it is felt that in its current form, the Website has scope to have a mixture of static pages for useful general information that remains constant and other pages that have updates on events and reports.

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