

Minutes: Disley Meeting for Worship for Business: 05.05.24

1. During our Opening Worship we heard read section 1.02 (19) from Advices & Queries in Quaker Faith & Practice.

2. The Minutes of the meeting held on 10th March 2024 had been circulated.

3. Matters Arising:

(a) Premises Committee:

Carpet: The new carpet has now been laid and is much appreciated by the meeting.

Chairs: The new chairs have now been dispatched and 'Rosehill Furnishing' will email us to let us know when they have arrived.

Window Replacement: Lizzy will contact 'Tomlinson Parbans' (timber merchants on High Lane) to arrange an inspection of the windows and to give us a quote for replacing them.

Gutters: The Premises committee are looking into obtaining planning permission from – built.heritage@cheshireeast.gov.uk in order to replace the wooden gutters with plastic ones.

(b) Children's Meeting: The Nominations committee have brought forward the names of two Friends to support Emma Killick in taking responsibility for the Children's meeting, namely – Karl Beswick and Ann Lewis. We duly appoint these Friends. We are all invited to take part or run a children's session. Please contact Emma for more information.

(c) Refugee Visit (change of date) now on XXX June 11-3pm

We will welcome the Refugees from St. Peter's in Stockport on XX June. We will need welcomers, food, games equipment and offers of general help. Please let Ann Lewis know if you would like to take part on: ann.lewis@live.co.uk or phone. [Date redacted for security purposes].

(d) Area Meeting Website responses

Our Area Meeting website will soon need to be replaced. We are asked to consider whether we would like a 'dynamic' website, which would be regularly updated, or a 'static' website which would only contain essential information and may quickly become out of date.

We have received some responses from Disley Friends. (See attachment). We hope our website will continue to publish minutes, for example from our meetings for worship for business. And we hope it will be used more as the main vehicle for communication within Area Meeting.

We would like the website to be a comprehensive resource, both for Quakers and as an outreach tool for the wider world, remaining true to our Quaker principles of transparency.

We will send this Minute to the Area Meeting Clerk.

(e) Worshipping Group in Glossop:

Keith Braithwaite has reported on the initiative for the new Worshipping Group in Glossop which began meeting on Wednesday, 6th March at 7.15pm at Bradbury House.

There have been three meetings so far, each with one or two Elders from Area Meeting present to give spiritual support and oversight. A couple have attended regularly plus two Friends from Glossop on one

occasion. Last Wednesday there were two newcomers (not Quakers) who found us on the Area Meeting website and show some interest on attending in the future.

The outreach in Glossop continues to be supported by Area Meeting Elders. Disley Friends hope that Area Meeting will continue its commitment to this initiative.

4. Intervisitation: Annique S. visited Marple meeting in April. Ann Lewis will visit Macclesfield meeting in June.

5. Reps for Area Meeting: Jan Vulliamy and Till Geiger will represent us at Frandley meeting on Sunday 12th May at 1.45pm.

6. Collections: In March we collected £240 for 'BECOME' – Support for Young People in Care.

In April we collected £225 for Ramallah & Brumanna Schools. In May we are collecting for 'Water Aid'.

Signed: Anne Sumner Clerk for this day 1.15pm

Notices:

Sunday, 12th May: Area Meeting at Frandley at 1.45pm

Friday, 17th May: Zoom Meeting for Worship at 7.30pm

Saturday, 15th June: Refugee visit to the meeting house: 11-3pm

Friday, 21st June: Zoom Meeting for Worship at 7.30pm

Saturday, 29th June: Quiet Garden Day