Quakers in Yorkshire

Saturday 21 January 2023 Carlton Hill Meeting House, Leeds

Simplicity in the Society of Friends

The next meeting of Quakers in Yorkshire will be held at Leeds Carlton Hill MH on Saturday 21st January 2023, and also online. A summary timetable follows.

The morning session will comprise the reports from, amongst others, Junior Holidays, Holiday School, U19s Committee and the Easter Settlement.

For the afternoon session we will be joined by BYM trustees, in person and online, when the theme will be 'Simplicity in the Society of Friends'. The trustees will give an overview of their inquiry into simplicity in how we conduct ourselves, including spirit led discernment and how to broaden participation, removing the boundary between worship and witness and how discernment at Meeting for Sufferings might be realised throughout BYM.

There will be an opportunity in breakout sessions for Local and Area Meetings to share their experiences of GRASP and the challenges that they face in managing an evolution that is relevant and contributes to our spiritual lives.

This meeting will be a success if Friends come with a minds to talk about their hopes for the future that can be taken up by other Yorkshire Local Meetings and Area Meetings as well as by the BYM trustees on a wider basis.

The outline timetable for the meeting is:

10 am	Coffee
10.30	Silent Worship
11.00	Testimony
11.10	Reports including: U19s Coordinating Committee, Junior Holidays,
	Holiday School and Easter Settlement
12.30	Other reports, George Fox 400th anniversary and notices
13.00	Lunch: bring own lunch with drinks provided.
14.00	Simplicity in the Society of Friends
15.45	Closing Minutes
16.00	Tea and departure

If joining via Zoom, please register in advance for this meeting at: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYrcOiopzgtEtBck39BW9Xs8AKXHCZd O73I

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.