



Quakers in Yorkshire Newsletter October 2023

Welcome to the October Newsletter!

Here you will find events, opportunities and news of interesting things happening in Yorkshire Meetings, as well as the programme for the next Quakers in Yorkshire meeting in October.

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Racial Justice - Question of the Month

Catherine and John Margham will be giving a presentation at the October Quakers in Yorkshire Meeting. They will explore the question,

'How do we ensure that work with people seeking asylum is done in solidarity and not white saviourism?'

They will be exploring this issue through looking at the work of QARN (Quaker Asylum and Refugee Network).

Events

Youth Work Training Weekend. 7th - 8th October

*An adult crash
course/shared exploration
of everything you need to
get going in Quaker
Youthwork*

Ilkley Meeting

Stay over or come for the days

Enquiries/programme jonathonb@quaker.org

Let's Talk About Money

Economic Justice- What does it look like?

What we do with money, how wealth is shared, and how money is used determines the kind of world we live in




Friday 13th October,



Come for soup and pudding at 6pm



Followed at 7pm by a workshop about money



Everyone is Welcome.



Issues include;

 local community energy


  how wealth is shared

  tax and benefits

  investors, banks and companies

  housing inequalities

  jobs & the Green New Deal

 Just Money & New Economics Foundation resources

It's not easy to talk about money, but we can't afford not to..

Where; St Mary & St Michael, Tillman Close,
Settle BD24 9RA

Organised by Justice & Peace Group, Churches Together in Settle & District
Contact marianmichol@gmail.com



Read more about the workshop here

Zoom Sessions for Role Holders

These regular online sessions are a chance to share your challenges, achievements, questions and experience with other Friends doing the same Quaker roles around Yorkshire.

The next Role Holder sessions coming up are:

Trustees, Wednesday 4th October, 7pm & Thursday
5th October, 12 noon

Treasurers Thursday 19th October, 12 noon

Clerks (Area & Local Meetings) Wednesday 1st November 7pm
& Thursday 2nd November 12 noon.

Elders & Pastoral Care Wednesday 29th November 7pm &
Thursday 30th November 12 noon.

You can register for any of these sessions [here](#) or for further information, please contact Craig Barnett (Local Development Worker) at: CraigB@quaker.org.uk

QiY under 19's committee volunteer together day

Sat 11th November 0930-1430

The Meeting House at 188 Woodhouse Lane -
Leeds. (Carlton Hill)



Stories and celebrations
Safeguarding training
Trustee updates
Networking and co-operation
Celebration Lunch

Travel expense paid by arrangement
Book your place on the QiY website.



Book Here



The last cuppa and cake session of the year will be **Wednesday 6th December, 12-2pm at the Quakers in Britain Yorkshire Centre**, next to Carlton Hill Meeting House, Woodhouse Lane, Leeds. We look forward to seeing you there!

Woodbrooke Places events at Quaker Meeting House, Central Leeds

Book now for:

[What Happens in Meeting for Worship?](#) on 28 October
Meeting for Worship is a central Quaker practice, but it can be a bit of a mystery! To explore it, we'll spend time together in silence and discussion. We'll cover the diversity of spiritual experiences, spoken ministry, and the use of Advices & Queries.

There is more information at <https://www.woodbrooke.org.uk/courses/what-happens-in-meeting-for-worship/>

[The Heart of the Quaker Way](#) on 2 December
The Quaker way is often portrayed as an individual one or one hard to define. However, there is a clear and contained sense of what it is to be a Quaker and how to be Quaker. This course explores what can be thought of as the heart of the Quaker way.

Full details are available at <https://www.woodbrooke.org.uk/courses/the-heart-of-the-quaker-way-3/>



EASTER SETTLEMENT 2024 at COBER HILL HOTEL

You are welcome to join other Quakers at Cober Hill Hotel, Cloughton, Yorkshire for a weekend of enjoyment, ideas, discussion, walks, dancing and crafts.

This may well be the last Easter Settlement at the venue due to rising costs but we are looking for other possibilities for future years.

Friday 29th March – Monday 1st April or Tuesday 2nd April

Booking forms will be available soon. Book early to avoid disappointment.

Contact pauline@paulineleonard.plus.com for further details.

Youth Events

Quaker Meeting House - Russell Street
off Melbourne Place - Bradford - BD5 0JB

**YOUTH AND
FAMILY SOCIALS
@BRADFORD
QUAKERS**



For 11-18's interested in Quaker values and worship.
Games - pizza - Friendship.
All welcome
- Invite friends -

1730-1930

27th September - Games and Pizza
11th October - Big Questions? Theme: What is Quaker Leadership? "special guest"
26th October - Games and Pizza
15th November - Youth: Games with Jo Adults: "Raising kids in a Quaker way" Join other parents and carers to share the joys and challenges of bringing up young people informed by Quaker values; with Craig
All together: Pizza

Enquiries and Questions to Jo Baynham Yorkshire Youth Development worker. 07529221651

Donations to the cost of the pizza requested but not required.

Big Questions?

Big Questions? is a youth event with Jo, Yorkshire Quakers and the occasional special guest where we explore the big stuff together and eat pizza.

Bradford Meeting House
11th October, 1730 - Leading?

Harrogate Meeting House
3rd November, 1400 - Hanging on?

Probably Ffargate Meeting House
24th November, 1800 - Dying?

BYM Yorkshire Centre (in Carlton Hill - Leeds) 21st December 1730 - Grinch/Jesus/Scrooge/Elf?

Boing!

Trampolining - Bring mates





Followed by food.
Gravity: Cardigan-Fields - Leeds 27th of October
1600-2030

For £19.50 per person for the activity.
Food variable, depending on where we go, but not excessive.

<https://forms.quaker.org.uk/2023-yef-qiy-october-trampolining/>

Climbing



Harrogate Climbing Centre
Hornbeam Park Avenue,
Hornbeam Park,
Harrogate HG2 8QT

3rd November - 1030
followed by lunch and Big Questions? @Harrogate meeting house . Theme: Hanging on?

Climbing £25. **Prebooking early essential.** Lunch and BQs? gratis.

Young friends are welcome to come for part or all of the day

<https://forms.quaker.org.uk/2023-cyf-qiy-november-climbing/>

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Online and in-person youth events

From Link Groups and national events to online epilogues, Jo Baynham, the Youth Development Worker for Yorkshire, runs regular events for young Quakers through the year.

Here's what's coming up over the next few weeks:

01/10/23: National Online Youth Group. 6:30pm.

The national online youth group formerly known as "youth epilogue".

Sign up [here](#).

11/10/23: Big Questions? With pizza. 6:00pm, Bradford Meeting House.

With Siobhán Haire - Deputy Recording Clerk for BYM. "What is Quaker Leadership?" Sign up [here](#).

13-15/10/23: Rookhow Storytelling and Song Weekend. Rookhow, Rusland, nr Ulverston, Cumbria, LA12 8LA.

Not technically Yorkshire but within Striking distance. A creative, interactive & fun community weekend with stories, songs, Epilogues and campfires. Open to everyone - not just Quakers. This is a weekend for people of all generations. Contact Sue Nicholls for more information: contactrookhow@gmail.com.

15/10/23: Leeds Teen Meeting for Worship. 10:45am, Carlton Hill.

Meeting for worship – sometime we do politics, sometime film review, other times it's a Spiritual deepdive – one thing remains constant - there's lunch afterwards. If your parents/guardian/responsible person are in main meeting, just come. If not - sign up [here](#).

25/10/23: Games and Pizza. 5:30pm, Bradford Meeting House.

An invitational Social for all young people. It's a Quaker event but you don't need to be a Quaker to come. Sign up [here](#).

Find Jo's full calendar below.

Quaker Youth Events Calendar

Yorkshire Quaker Link Group

<https://quakersinyorkshire.org.uk/link-group/>
Enquiries to jonathonb@quaker.org.uk 07529221651

What?

A regular residential in Yorkshire, with food, fun and Quaker input. This one's 2 nights !



Who?

Anyone 11-18 years old with Quaker tendencies or Quaker interest in Yorkshire

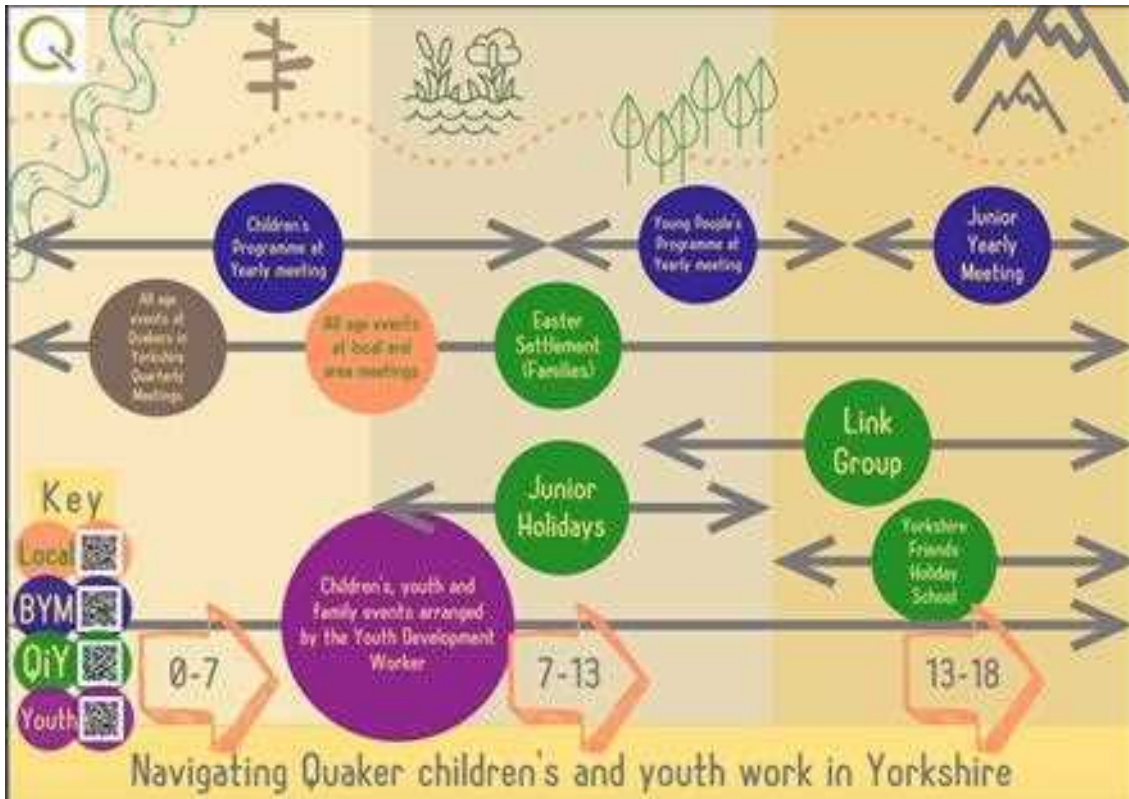


Where?

Barmoor, Hutton Le Hole: 8th (drop offs from 1700) 10th December (pick-ups 1500)



Getting to know you zoom 1730-1900 Monday 4th December



Navigating Quaker Children's and Youth Work in Yorkshire

Click below for a wonderful poster to display in your Meeting House, showing all the major events for children and young people in Yorkshire.

[Click here](#)

If you want to hear more about Jo's work, sign up to his mailing list by clicking the link below.

[Quaker Youth Work in Yorkshire](#)

Opportunities



Become a trustee of Glenthorne

Glenthorne is a Quaker Guest House and Conference Centre situated in Grasmere, in the Lake District. There is currently a vacancy for a co-opted trustee, ideally to be filled by someone with skills and experience in finance. If you would like to know more, please contact

Jym Paris: jim.paris1@btinternet.com and William Taylor: wiltay62@gmail.com

Find a New Home for Easter Settlement

Following its consultation, the Easter Settlement Planning Group have decided to run Easter Settlement in 2024, using Cober Hill for a final time. The committee seeks a new site for Settling Friends, and such a site would:

- be accessible to a range of pockets;
- have flexible accommodation to suit younger Friends with children, including but not limited to camping, as well as older Friends for whom mobility may be an issue;
- have a space sufficient to gather as a whole Settlement;
- have space to meet in smaller groups;
- have the option of full catering;
- have room to grow (we usually attract around 60 Settlers).

Friends are encouraged to write to pauline@paulineleonard.plus.com to let us know of any sites, or combination of sites, known to them that meet the above

criteria.

In Friendship, the Easter Settlement Planning Group



Offer of Spiritual Accompaniment

Hastings based Friend Peter Parr, part of the Kindlers team, is offering one-to-one spiritual accompaniment, free of charge, to anyone who would like to reflect on their spiritual journey and discern where God, or Love, or Life, may be calling them.

People may come to spiritual accompaniment for a variety of reasons:

- to explore questions of faith and doubt in a safe environment
- to help integrate spirituality into their daily life
- to understand their situation and make choices
- to share their hopes and struggles
- to help discern the promptings of love and truth in their heart
- to understand and recognise their calling to live out their faith in the world.

Click below to find out more.

[Find out more here](#)

News



British Quaker Survey 2023 now open!

We need all Quakers to take part in the British Quaker Survey
The time has come for the once-a-decade British Quaker Survey. This survey, following previous ones run in 1990, 2003 and 2013, is a vital piece of information-gathering. Please take some time to fill in the survey and spread the word to your meeting or worshipping community. Click below for the link to the survey and information about the paper version.

[Click Here](#)

Shared World Event at Sheffield Central Quaker Meeting House

On 21st July, Sheffield Meeting House played host to friends from many multi-cultural groups and organisations for an evening of celebration. Chrissie Hinde has written a report sharing the events of the evening and an exciting opportunity for collaboration that came from it.

[Click below to read the full report.](#)

"It was wonderful to have our Meeting House packed with about 100 people for our Shared World Celebration. Invites were through personal connections and links with multi-cultural groups from our richly diverse city."

Read the report here



Final Worship of the year at Farfield Meeting House (near Ilkley)

Everyone is welcome to attend a meeting for worship held on **19th October, 2.30 pm to 3.15 pm**, at the historic, simple, Farfield meeting house.

There is limited car parking nearby. A pleasant alternative is to park in Addingham and walk the 1 ½ miles using the Dales Way path which goes along the scenic river Wharfe. This is also the best route if coming by bus (from Ilkley, Keighley or Skipton).

Airton Barn and Meeting

Airton Local Meeting is now worshipping each week on Sunday at 3.00 pm.

The Barn has re-opened for overnight accommodation, please contact the Resident Friend, Cindy Metcalf on 01729 900 018, or email airtonbarn@gmail.com.

Introducing the new Local Development Worker for Yorkshire

Craig Barnett has recently taken over from Bridget Holtom as our new Local Development Worker. Craig's role is to support Quaker

communities in Yorkshire to thrive. He is particularly interested in exploring possibilities for spiritual renewal and creative ways of building community.

Craig is available to support Meetings and other Quaker groups with their discernment, and with accessing information and specialist expertise from throughout Britain Yearly Meeting.

Craig has an occasional email newsletter, which you can sign up to [here](#) or contact him by email at: craigb@quaker.org.uk



Spotlight on... Airton Meeting House

"Of course, it can take a while for a Meeting to regenerate, sometimes even decades. But if there is a vision, a driving force and something to aim for, it can be done."

Wilf Fenten, clerk, friend and long-time supporter of Airton Meeting House, tells an uplifting story of hope and regeneration.

Read the full article here

The editor would like to recognise Wilf's major contribution to this

newsletter over the past 18 months. He wrote wonderful pieces about the history and life of Airton Meeting House and Barn that are fascinating to read. Sadly he passed away earlier this year.

The memorial meeting for Wilf Fenten is confirmed as taking place on Saturday 14 October at 2.00 pm at Cracoe Village Hall, Cracoe, Skipton, BD23 6LQ followed by refreshments.

Cracoe Village Hall has ample parking but may also be reached by public transport using the No 72 Skipton to Grassington bus service. Please share this information with friends in your meetings.

Quakers in Yorkshire October Meeting



Date: Saturday 14th October 2023

Venue: Bootham School, York, and on Zoom

Time: 10:00 - 16:00

Programme:

10.00: Tea and coffee

10.30: Meeting for Worship

11.00: Reports from the Mount School and Bootham School

A report on activities from students of both schools

A report on Racial Justice

13.00: Lunch. Please bring your own food.

14.00: A view on the future of Woodbrooke courses. We will be joined by Ingrid Greenhow (Clerk of the Woodbrooke trustees), Ben Edson (incoming Chief Executive) and Jon Martin (Head of Communications and Impact) and there will be a workshop-style session for Yorkshire Friends to make a contribution.

16.00: Close of meeting

It will be possible for people to attend by Zoom. If you would like to attend online, please contact David Heslop:

dheslop@whizzkids.f9.co.uk

Venue Details

Full address:

Bootham School
York
YO30 7BU

Travelling on foot:

The meeting house is a 20 minute walk from York Station. Turn left out of the station and follow the road through the bar walls and over the river. Keep going, past the library and turn left at the traffic lights to pass the Theatre Royal. At Bootham Bar, turn left up Bootham. Keep going until you reach Wandersford House, and take the next right up the snicket to reach the school gate.

Travelling by car:

The school car park is accessible via Portland Street. Use the postcode YO31 7EH.

Click below for Google Maps directions.

Google Maps Directions



Dates for events in 2023

QiY quarterly meetings:

January 21 – Carlton Hill, Leeds

April 22 – Sheffield Central

July 15 - Settle

October 14 – Bootham School, York

Click below for a PDF version of the calendar

[Click here](#)



Deadline for items for the January newsletter:
Wednesday 3rd January

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