

QUAKERS in YORKSHIRE

Role Description

Title of role: Trustees

Governance:

Quakers in Yorkshire (QiY) is a registered charity with trustees reporting to quarterly meetings. It is 'owned' by the seven area meetings (Brighouse West Yorkshire, Central Yorkshire, Craven & Keighley, Leeds, Pickering & Hull, Sheffield & Balby, York). There is one trustee from each AM, together with a Clerk and Treasurer (nominated and appointed by QiY).

Nomination & Appointment:

Trustees are nominated by Area Meetings and appointed by Quakers in Yorkshire in session. AM Nominations Committees find names and forward them to Area Meeting who discern if this is the right name and then pass the nomination to Quakers in Yorkshire.

Length of term of service: 3 years with the possibility of a second term of 3 years.

What the role entails:

The Trustees are responsible for the financial, business and compliance side of the QiY activities. Ensuring that the QiY activities function well and serve the needs of the Yorkshire Quakers is important. QiY oversees a number of under-19s activities (Junior Holidays, Holiday School, Easter Settlement) so safeguarding compliance is important. QiY gives out grants from inherited funds for the repair and maintenance of meeting houses and support for education and general concerns.

Desirable skills, experience and availability of training:

Interest in furthering Quakerism at a regional level.
Experience of being a trustee (helpful but not essential).
Experience of Quaker roles at national or regional level is helpful.

Woodbrooke offers training courses for trustees. Quaker Life provides support for trustees.

Frequency of meetings and the time commitment envisaged:

Currently there are three meetings of trustees each year, normally held on a Saturday morning at Carlton Hill meeting house, Leeds.

The minimum time commitment is the participation in the meetings. Individual trustees often contribute towards specific tasks during the year.

Keeping Friends informed:

There are no specific requirements to keep Friends informed, but good practice indicates that good communication with Friends is valuable.

To find out more:

Speak to the current Clerk of Trustees (David Olver, Email: david@olver.plus.com, Phone: 01535 605 412).

Date:

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