

Attending King's House

Information and timetable

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King's House, Manchester and online
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Yearly Meeting of Quakers in Britain



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King's House Conference Centre, King's Church,
Sidney Street, Manchester. M1 7HB

Travel information and directions can be found
at www.kingshouse.co.uk.

Additional guidance for Friends travelling
by public transport can also be found at
<https://tfgm.com/plan-a-journey>.

Check in

Check in and collect your name badge from the desk in the foyer from 8.45am. Please wear your name badge whilst on site. If you have brought luggage, you will be directed to a storage location. Please note, luggage is left at your own risk. There are coat racks at the rear of the auditorium on the second floor.



Welcome and pastoral support

There is no formal provision for pastoral support. Friends will be on hand to welcome you to the building and direct you to the lift, stairs and meeting room.

During the breaks, some Friends will be available for ‘coffee-break chatters’ in the refreshment area.

At lunchtime, some tables will have table hosts, where Friends who want to meet new people can sit and eat together.

Online: Lightly facilitated social groups will take place online during the final 20 minutes of the lunch break and after the afternoon session.

Access

King’s House is easily navigable with wide walkways, flat floors and a large, accessible lift. There is an induction loop in the auditorium and captions are available on the main screen. All meeting spaces are accessible by both stairs and lift (suitable for wheelchairs and mobility scooters) www.kingshouse.co.uk/accessibility.

Quiet Space

A screened off space is available at the back of the auditorium. This may be used for sitting quietly, or for quiet activity (e.g. knitting) away from the large group. You will still be able to hear the proceedings from here.

Yearly Meeting sessions

These take place in the Auditorium on the 2nd floor. The morning session will run from 9.30am to approximately 1pm, and the afternoon session will run from 2–4.30pm.

Toilet facilities at Friends House

There are the following toilet facilities on the first floor.

- Female (trans inclusive)
- Male (trans inclusive)
- Self-contained, accessible all-gender toilet

Note: ground floor toilets are for the exclusive use of those participating in the Youth, Children and Families programme.

Catering

Hot drinks, water and biscuits are available during the morning and afternoon breaks.

A sandwich lunch is available from the first floor hall for those who have preordered. Alternatively, there are a number of food outlets in the neighbourhood.

Space is available in the cafeteria for families to have lunch together.

Quakers in Britain stand

Members of staff from Quakers in Britain, including Swarthmoor Hall, will be available at various times of the day to meet and answer any questions about the work. You can find them in the first floor hall.

Woodbrooke stand

Members of staff from Woodbrooke will be available outside of session times to share information about their work and learning opportunities available to Friends and Meetings. You can find them in the first floor hall.

Quakers share a way of life, not a set of beliefs. Quaker unity is based on shared understanding and a shared practice of silent worship – a communal stillness.

Quakers seek to experience God directly – internally, in relationships with others, and with the world. Local meetings for worship are open to all who wish to attend.

Quakers try to live with honesty and integrity. This means speaking truth to all, including people in positions of power. The Quaker commitment to peace arises from the conviction that love is at the heart of existence and that all human beings are unique and equal.

This leads Quakers to put faith into action by working locally and globally to change the systems that cause injustice and violent conflict.

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