



QPSW Autumn Conference 30 October – 1 November 2015



TO LOCAL MEETING CLERKS

A changing world: changing the way we work

The 2015 Autumn Conference will be held from **30 October – 1 November** at the Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick, Derbyshire.

Your Area Meeting has been invited to appoint and pay the fees of Friends to attend the conference. I very much hope that Local Meetings will be able to suggest some names of F/friends who might benefit from attending the conference.

Who is the Conference for?

This conference is particularly aimed at:

- Longstanding supporters of QPSW
- QPSW Correspondents
- Committee members or those interested in offering service

Friends attending the conference will have the opportunity to meet with Friends currently serving on sub committees overseeing the work of QPSW, and, we hope, with representatives from Meeting for Sufferings and BYM Trustees to see how Britain Yearly Meeting puts faith into action. We also expect to hear from Friends working in their local area with assistance from QPSW.

N.B. Participants who arrive in time for Friday evening dinner and stay through to the end of the conference will get the most from the experience. The agenda for the weekend is carefully constructed to take Friends on a journey and missing the beginning can make it harder to feel part of it.

Often the Friends most likely to benefit from attending the conference may not be known at Area Meeting level. So, if you think that there is someone in your meeting who would like to attend please get in touch with your Area Meeting Clerk and let them know. Information has been sent to Area Meeting clerks as the nominating and appointing responsibility lies with the Area Meeting.

Please note that if you wish to suggest the name of someone under 18 they will have to be accompanied at the conference by a responsible adult at all times.

Applications from individual Friends wishing to attend the conference are also welcomed. The cost of the weekend is £180. This covers the cost of food and

accommodation at Swanwick, plus part of the cost of organising the Conference. Whilst area meetings are expected to pay for those they nominate, personal applicants normally pay for themselves; however there are a number of bursaries available. Please ask personal applicants to contact me directly.

The closing date for bookings is 11 September 2015, please respect this deadline.

I have included some further information on the conference with this letter. If there is any further information that you require, please do not hesitate to contact me.

In Friendship,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Anne Wilkinson". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Anne" and last name "Wilkinson" clearly legible.

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