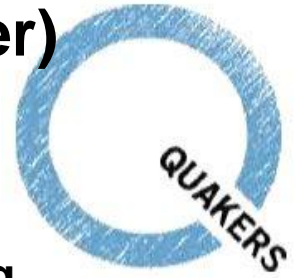


Religious Society of Friends (Quaker) West Scotland Area Meeting

Registered Charity Number SC011234



Giving to West Scotland Area Meeting

Membership entails a financial commitment appropriate to a member's means, for without money neither the local meeting nor the wider structure can function.

Quaker Faith and Practice 11.01

Friends in West Scotland Area Meeting share a commitment to the Quaker way of worship and are inspired by our faith to work for a better world. Our Area Meeting has 216 members and 236 attenders and we worship regularly in twelve Local Meetings and meet seven times a year as an Area Meeting.

We own 2 meeting houses, one in Glasgow and one in Wigtown

You can help strengthen the Quaker community both spiritually and in speaking out to promote peace, justice, equality and sustainability.

There are many ways you can contribute to our work but an important one is by giving money.

What will this money be used for?

The money you give will support the work of Quakers through your local Meeting, Area Meeting and General Meeting for Scotland. It will also be used to support Britain Yearly Meeting's work in Britain and the rest of the world.

Area Meeting does not receive funding from external sources. It relies on the contributions made by individual members and attenders to finance all its running costs and work.

Please think about how much you can contribute financially to our Quaker community.

Here are some examples of how your contribution will be used:

Your Local Meeting (LM):

- for room hire, or maintenance and wardening of where you worship
- promoting and supporting Quakers locally
- supporting the work with children in your Meeting

Area Meeting (AM):

- providing a newsletter and website to connect us all
- helping Friends attend conferences and training courses to strengthen the lives of our meetings
- contributing our share of the cost of the Parliamentary Engagement Officer's work for peace and justice
- helping sustain the work of General Meeting for Scotland and Quakers in Scotland. (Each Area Meeting supports GM in proportion to its membership)
- meeting essential administration costs such as insurance, postage and volunteer expenses

General Meeting for Scotland (GM):

- helping organising and publicising the work of Quakers in Scotland.
- ensuring the Scottish Quaker voice is heard in Britain Yearly Meeting

Britain Yearly Meeting (BYM):

- supporting projects acting on Quaker concerns here and abroad such as economic justice, sustainability, peace and interfaith work
- sustaining our church and faith including helping our meetings spiritual growth, providing outreach material and advice on legal matters
- assisting our discussions and decision making at Meetings for Sufferings, Yearly Meeting and Summer Gatherings

We ask you to give generously

How can I contribute?

We realise that everyone's circumstances are different and we are grateful for all donations regardless of size or frequency.

Some friends will be unable to contribute the amounts suggested below, others may be able to contribute more and we hope they will do so. Some friends are able to make a regular contribution, some friends make occasional contributions when they are able.

If you wish to make a regular commitment please complete the Contribution Schedule over the page specifying how your contribution should be allocated and send it to the Assistant Treasurer. If you do not specify any allocation the whole amount will go to West Scotland Area Meeting.

If you would prefer set up a bank transfer to make occasional one-off payments please contact the Treasurer 01290 553385

If you need some help in deciding what to give, here are some guidelines:

- Your Local Meeting Treasurer can tell you what your Local Meeting needs
- Area Meeting bases its budget on an income of £115 per member per year
- Britain Yearly Meeting plans its central work on receiving £165 per member per year

If you are a UK tax payer you can gift aid your donation which means we can claim an additional 25p for every £1 donated.

To find out more please ask the Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer

Important

If you do not pay tax, you cannot claim Gift Aid.

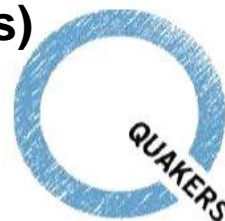
You must have paid enough tax to cover the Gift Aid, otherwise you will be liable to pay back to HMRC the amount falsely claimed. Please inform the treasurer if your circumstances change and you are no longer a tax payer.

If you have any questions or require further information please contact:

Kate Gulliver (Treasurer) 01290 553385

email: wsamtreasurer@gmail.com

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Contribution schedule 2017**



Name

I wish to contribute £..... per month / quarter / annum
to be allocated:

To Local Meeting £.....

To West Scotland Area Meeting £.....

To Britain Yearly Meeting £.....

I shall make my payment by:

(Please indicate)

Cheque

Standing Order / bacs payment

CAF Voucher / Standing Order

Please indicate:

- If you wish a receipt or acknowledgement
- If you would like a standing order mandate form
- If you would like bank details for bacs payment
- If you would like a gift aid declaration form

Cheques and CAF Vouchers must be made payable to

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Please return this form and any donations to the Assistant Treasurer
of West Scotland Area Meeting:

Margaret Morton, 13 Gartmore Road, PAISLEY PA1 3NG

email: margmor@btopenworld.com