How many cups of coffee / week is your spiritual home worth?

There are three parts of the Quaker community that depend on you for support:

**Your Local Meeting**
Consider first what it costs to maintain your Local Meeting for Worship: the cost of your venue and your local Quaker activities. There are twelve local meetings in West Scotland and their needs vary considerably. Your Local Meeting Treasurer will be able to advise you about running costs and expenses of your local Quaker Meeting. Some meetings may only need a small cup / week, others may need more.

**West Scotland Area Meeting**
Your Local Meeting is part of West Scotland Area Meeting, the registered charity that undertakes administration on behalf of Local Meetings in the West of Scotland. All its work is done by volunteers. It looks after membership matters; produces a newsletter; supports attendance at conferences and training events; and provides insurance cover for all Local Meeting and Area Meeting activities. Along with other Area Meetings in Scotland, it helps fund the work of General Meeting for Scotland, and it makes donations to other Quaker charities.

West Scotland Area Meeting needs at least £100 from every member to cover its costs in 2020, just one cup of coffee / week.

**Britain Yearly Meeting**
You are also asked to bear in mind the central work of the Society which is the responsibility of Britain Yearly Meeting. As well as providing essential support, networking, co-ordination and publicity, it promotes Quaker concerns and values throughout our country and in the wider world. You will find more details about what it does at the website Quakers in Britain, in the free quarterly magazine Quaker News and in the monthly email update Quake!

Britain Yearly Meeting needs around £230 per member to carry out its work in 2020, two cups of coffee / week from every member.

However, West Scotland Area Meeting makes an annual donation to Britain Yearly Meeting on behalf of its members, amounting to almost £25 per member (included in the £100 mentioned above). Local Meetings throughout West Scotland may also decide to make a direct donation from their own funds.

**GIFT AID**
If you are a taxpayer, you can increase your donation by allowing us to claim back relevant tax from HMRC (Her Majesty’s Revenue and Customs) through the Gift Aid Scheme. This will add 25% to the value of your donation.

However you must have paid enough tax to cover your Gift Aid, otherwise you will be liable to pay back HMRC for the amount wrongly claimed. If your circumstances change and you are no longer a taxpayer, or if you have other queries about Gift Aid, please contact: Kate Gulliver, Treasurer: West Scotland Area Meeting. Phone: 01290 553385, 07596 725387 or Email: kathryn.gulliver@phonecoop.coop
West Scotland Area Meeting

CONTRIBUTION SCHEDULE 2020

You can make separate donations directly to your Local Meeting, to West Scotland Area Meeting and to Britain Yearly Meeting. However, you may find it more convenient to contribute to all these bodies through West Scotland Area Meeting, using this form.

Please specify how your donation should be allocated and we will pass on your money in accordance with your wishes. If you do not specify how you wish your money to be allocated, the whole amount will go to support the Area Meeting’s 2020 budget.

Name ..............................................................................................................................................................

In 2020 my contribution will be £ ........ per month / quarter / year

I wish my contribution to be allocated in this way:

....................................................Local Meeting (insert name) £ ..........................

West Scotland Area Meeting £ ........................................

Britain Yearly Meeting £ ........................................

Ways to Pay

• By Cheque or CAF Voucher
Cheques and CAF Vouchers should be made payable to Religious Society of Friends West Scotland Area Meeting and sent, along with this completed schedule, to our Assistant Treasurer, Helen McLean, at the address below.

• By Standing Order
To set up a new Standing Order, you must make arrangements with your bank. Please tick here for a Standing Order Form to take to your bank and send this completed schedule to our Assistant Treasurer, Helen McLean, at the address below.

To change an existing Standing Order, you need to make the necessary arrangements with your bank – we cannot do this on your behalf. Please also return this completed schedule to our Assistant Treasurer, Helen McLean, at the address below, so that we know of your changes and the new allocation.

• By Bank transfer
Our bank details are Religious Society of Friends West Scotland Area Meeting
Account 80-91-29 00724947.

Please give your name as reference and return this completed schedule to our Assistant Treasurer, Helen McLean, at the address below with payment details so that we can identify your payment and allocate your contribution as you would wish.

Gift Aid
If you wish to set up Gift Aid, please contact our Assistant Treasurer at the address below for a Gift Aid Form. For queries or cancellation of Gift Aid contact our Treasurer at the address overleaf.

Please return this schedule to:
Helen McLean
Assistant Treasurer
West Scotland Area Meeting
12A Sheean Drive, Brodick, Isle of Arran, KA27 8DH
Email: hm920346@gmail.com

Helen will be able to help you with any enquiries about your donation.