

# YOUNG FRIENDS GENERAL MEETING

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## Lancaster Friends Meeting House 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2011

Name \_\_\_\_\_

| Primary (most reliable) Addresses | Secondary address |
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| Phone                             | Phone             |
| Email                             | Email             |

YFGM's database is covered by the Data Protection Act. For details, please contact the YFGM Office.

Please tick if

- a. If your address has changed since the last YFGM
- b. You do not want your address to appear to the YFGM address list   
(accessible by YFGMers)

Would you prefer to receive documents in advance by: Email / Post

Will this be your first time at a YFGM weekend? Yes / No

Are you attending on behalf of an Area Meeting? Yes / No

If yes, which Area Meeting

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**At the Weekend**

All food will be **vegetarian**, do you have any additional dietary requirements?  
If they have changed since last YFGM you attended please also mention this.

If you are interested in running a Special Interest Group, please put details below, and specify the best time and method for someone to contact you about it.

Would you be willing to be a small group coordinator?                      Yes/No

**Accessibility**

Will you be comfortable sleeping on the floor at the Meeting House? Yes / No  
Do you require off floor accommodation?    Yes / No  
Do you need documents in another format?    Yes /No

Please circle as appropriate

Large Print                      Yellow Paper                      Pink Paper                      Light Blue Paper

Will you be bringing a carer / personal assistant?    Yes / No  
If yes, please complete separate form for them.

Do you have any other accessibility needs?  
Please provide details

Would you like someone to contact you regarding your accessibility needs? If, so please state the best way and most appropriate time to contact you.

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| Phone / Email | AM / PM | Weekday / Weekend |
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### **Medical Requirements**

Any information you provide is confidential to the Overseers and the YFGM Coordinator. You are not required to provide this information but in case of an emergency it will be useful.

Do you have any medical condition that Overseers should know about in case of emergency?

### **Children**

If you would like to bring children to YFGM, please contact the Office as soon as possible. YFGM is currently in the process of reviewing its childcare policies.

### **Cost of YFGM**

It currently costs about £25 a head to run a YFGM weekend. Rather than ask everyone to pay this amount, we ask people to contribute what they can afford. We ask that Friends who eat or sleep at the Meeting House make a donation towards food and accommodation by giving at least £10. Since some Young Friends can afford more than others, we suggest the following guidelines to contributions, but basically, how much you contribute to the cost of the weekend is up to you.

| Your income after housing costs (per month)<br>weekend | Contribution for the |
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| Less than £250   | £10                  |
| £250-£500  | £11-£45              |
| £500-£1,000  | £46-£89              |
| More than £1,000                                       | £90+                 |

You can pay in advance by sending a cheque payable to “Young Friends General Meeting” to the office or you can pay at the event by cash or cheque.

**I confirm that I am 18 or over and take the responsibility for myself and belongings whilst at YFGM (please sign below)**

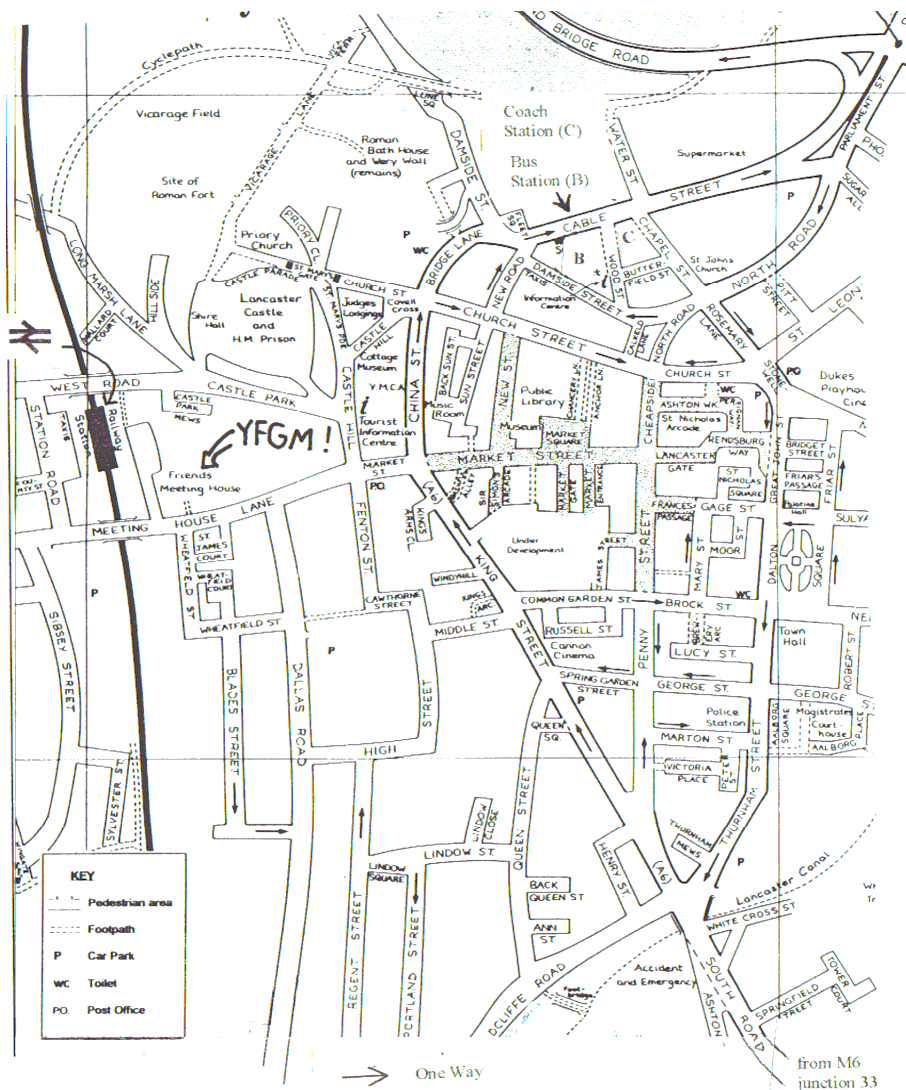
## Essential Information

### The Meeting House

#### Lancaster Friends Meeting House Meeting House Lane, Lancaster, LA1 1TX

**Train:** Lancaster FMH is adjacent to the Station. Exit into Station Road, turn left into Meeting House Lane and walk under the railway bridge. The meeting house is just after the bridge on the left hand side.

**Bus/Coach:** Turn left into Cable Street at the end (Fleet Square) bear right into Bridge Lane. Continue straight ahead cross over Church Street and continue down China Street. Turn right into Meeting House Lane and the meeting house is a short way along on our right hand side.



## **Car**

There is some car parking available please let us know if you are bringing a car.

## **Meeting House Access**

The meeting house has downstairs wheelchair access, wheelchair-friendly parking, accessible toilet, and a hearing loop.

## **Local shops**

There are all the normal shops in the surrounding area, as the meeting house is a short from the main shopping area.

## **Taxis Services**

Lancaster Taxis - 01524 490004

## **Arriving**

YFGM begins Friday nights from 6pm, with dinner served around 7.30pm and the welcome session from 8.30pm / 9pm.

If you know you will be arriving late then please let us know in advance or you can call the YFGM Mobile (07814648882)

YFGM finishes after lunch on Sunday (around 2pm).

## **Sleeping Arrangements**

Sleeping is on the floor at the Meeting House. There is an:

- Early room (lights off at 12, mixed sex)
- Women's room (lights off at 1am)
- Men's room (lights off at 1am)
- Late room (lights off at 2am, mixed sex)

Accommodation is on the **floor** and there are usually no showers. Please remember to bring your own sleeping bag and whatever you need to be as comfortable as possible on the floor.

If you need off floor accommodation and need us to organise this for you then please notify on the form that you would like someone to contact you. Off floor accommodation is found with at the homes of Friends or with B&B. Please contact Hugo in the YFGM Office as soon as possible (Telephone: 0121 472 1998 or E-mail [yfgm@quaker.org.uk](mailto:yfgm@quaker.org.uk)) for details of alternative accommodation.

## **Hassle Free Room**

At all times during the weekend a 'hassle free' room is available if you need some space, some time out – then this room is available and you will not be

hassled. If you do need someone to talk to then Overseers are available and will be easily identified by an **O** on their name badge.

### **Special Interest Groups (SIGs)**

Special Interest Groups are hour long activities offered by YFGMers. These can include Flamenco dancing, discussion on current affairs, knitting circles, board games, walks, gardening. They cater for small groups from 2 – 15. If you are interested in organising one there is space on the form to give a brief description.

### **Small groups**

YFGM is a community of equals, and so everyone gets involved to help with cooking, cleaning, and all the other small tasks that are vital to a large group of people spending time happily together. Each group is assigned a coordinator, who is responsible for making sure that everyone within the group knows where to go, and what will be involved in the up-coming task. If you are willing to volunteer for this role at this YFGM, there is a space to say so on the form.

### **Data Protection**

The data collected here will be stored in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 by Young Friends General Meeting. Your data will be used to inform you of events organised by YFGM or other Quaker events which we think are of direct interest to you. Your data will not be shared with any other organisations, unless you have specifically given us your permission by selecting the appropriate privacy option above. We will contact you by your preferred option of email or letter. The other Quaker organisations we currently share information with include BYM Children & Young People's section, Quaker Life, Recording Clerk's Office, Parliamentary Liaison Section, European and Middle Eastern Young Friends (EMYF), Friends World Committee for Consultation (EMES & General Secretary), Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust, The Leaveners, Quaker Council for European Affairs, Woodbrooke Quaker Study Centre.

### **Accessibility Fund**

YFGM has an Accessibility Fund, specifically created to give financial assistance to those who need specific help when attending a YFGM. Therefore, please do not let financial concerns deter you from specifying anything we can do to make your time at YFGM easier.

### **YFGM bursaries**

YFGM also has a bursary fund. Money should never be the reason that any Young Friend is unable to attend a YFGM event, so, if you are worried about how you will pay for your transport to the event, or your contribution once you arrive, please contact the Office to find out how we can help.

### **Contacts**

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