

## **Overseers**

Up to 2 years

### **Purpose**

Overseers are responsible for the smooth running of Young Friends General Meeting outside business and for the 'pastoral care' of those attending YFGM.

### **Duties**

- It is hoped that overseers are able to arrive early and prepare the Meeting House for YFGM, this includes liaison with the warden, sticking up notices and sorting people into small groups.
- During YFGM overseers' roles are split between practical and pastoral arrangements. On the practical side they need to be aware of where things are in the meeting house and assisting the catering coordinator in making sure the caterers are coping.
- On the pastoral side overseers need to be aware of what problems people may be having at YFGM, and helping to make sure that everyone is enjoying the event.
- They are also responsible for organising entertainments.

### **What you could gain from the role**

- Getting to know more people, especially newcomers to YFGM.
- Good organisational experience and having position of responsibility for your CV.
- Being involved in the fun side of things at YFGM, including entertainments.

### **Skills required**

- Organisational skills & time planning to help keep the weekend ticking along.
- Ability to work in a team,
- Confidence to speak in front of everyone at YFGM.
- Good 'people skills' - being someone people can feel comfortable talking to.

### **Time commitment**

If at all possible, overseers are expected to attend all YFGMs during their term and are also asked to attend January planning weekend each year. There is some time required for planning before gatherings, including arranging Saturday night entertainments, but this is not a large amount of time, (depending on how ambitious the Overseer team is!).