



# Young Friends General Meeting

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## Information & Practicalities

YFGM Planning Weekend 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Northampton Quaker Meeting House, Wellington Street, Northampton, NN1 3AS

This is the information & practicalities document for our January YFGM planning weekend which will take place at Northampton Quaker Meeting House. Please read the information below.

### Contact information

#### Before YFGM:

Phone the YFGM coordinator on 020 7663 1050 or email [yfgm@quaker.org.uk](mailto:yfgm@quaker.org.uk)

#### At YFGM:

The YFGM mobile number is 07480 306 275. Alternatively, Facebook message the YFGM coordinator.

### Arriving and Departing

The YFGM planning weekend begins on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019. Please let us know if you will be arriving later than planned (trains can be a pain/life gets in the way, don't worry, but keep us informed).

The event will finish after around 2pm Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup> Jan.

### Access

The meeting house has wheelchair access, a wheelchair-accessible toilet. There is also a hearing loop system. Please contact the YFGM Coordinator if you have any other specific requirements, or provide details on the registration form. As you know, we're keen to accommodate everybody at the YFGM planning weekend.

### Travel Information



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The venue for this YFGM gathering is:

Northampton Quaker  
Meeting House  
Wellington Street  
Northampton  
NN1 3AS

## Getting there

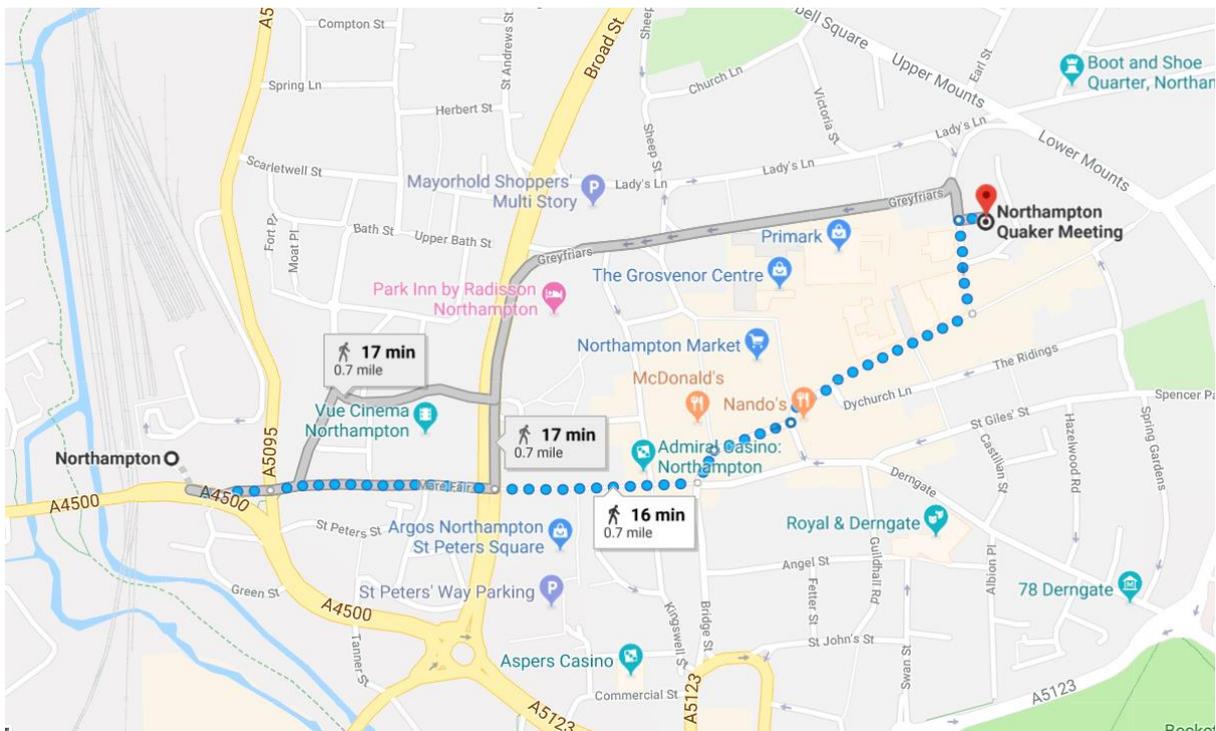
The meeting house is situated a 16-17 minute walk from the train station in the centre of Northampton.

## Arriving by rail:

The nearest train station to the meeting house is Northampton.

## Directions from the Train station to the meeting house

It's roughly a 17 minute walk from the train station to the meeting house (depending on how big your bags are of course!).





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## Arriving by bus:

The bus station is next to the train station. You can get the bus numbers **3, 9, 9A, 12** or **D3**. Get off at Northampton Bus Interchange and walk 7 minutes to the Quaker Meeting House.

Directions for the 7 minute walk from Northampton Bus Interchange to the Quaker Meeting House:

1. Walk south on Drapery towards Mercers Row
2. turn left onto Mercers Row
3. turn left onto Abington Street
4. And then left onto Wellington Street.
5. Then turn right and the meeting house will be on the right.

## Arriving by car

As Quakers we try to live as sustainably as possible, and as such as try to travel by public transport where possible. However we know this is not always possible and in many cases, people car share. If you're travelling by car to Northampton meeting house, there is a small amount of parking in the meeting house, and a public car park next door.

## Getting away

The event will finish by 3pm at the latest on the Sunday afternoon.

## At YFGM: Practical information

### Sleeping arrangements

Sleeping at YFGM is generally on the floor of the meeting house. We aim to provide the following:

- Early room (lights off at 11pm, mixed sex)
- Women's room (lights off at 12/1am)
- Men's room (lights off at 12/1am)
- Late room (lights off at 2am or when participants choose, mixed sex).

Accommodation is on the floor. Please remember to bring your own **sleeping bag** and **mat**, and whatever else you need to be as comfortable as possible.

### The cost of YFGM Planning weekend

The planning weekend is free for all those who have a role in the event.



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## Additional Northampton Facts

For those of you who want to explore Northampton during our time there, or want to know more about the jolly town we'll be visiting for our next planning weekend:

**Did you know** that Northampton has the biggest market square in England? The original market, chartered in 1189, was held around [All Saints' Church](#) there; then in 1235 [Henry III](#) took umbrage at sacred ground being used for commerce and ordered it moved to its present site. Northampton is also home of the British Shoe making industry; hence its [football team](#) is nicknamed The Cobblers.

**Did you know** that the first car chase in Britain involving the police occurred in Northampton in 1899? Sergeant Hector Macleod got his man with screaming tyres – well, maybe tyres that were grumbling a bit \*

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