

Young Friends General Meeting

2-5 May 2025

Bristol

Minutes

Those Present: A Ballard, Al Boliver-Brown, Anya Doliczny, Anya Nanning Ramamurthy, Anya Perry-Slack, Becky Shirley, Brónagh Sheehy, Calum Freeman, Casper Evans, Ceridwen Jenkins, Chloe Scaling, Dan Dickson, Devon Tipping, Eddie Whittingham, Edward Unwin, Edward Owen Jones, Eleanor Lyall, Ell Kirk, Ellie Oberstein, Elliot Mears, Emil Brierley, Emma Robinson, Eve Park, Felix Matthews, Finch Woodward, Francesca Wigley, Frankie de Vos, Freddie Brasher, Georgia Campbell, Gigi Smuraglia, Grace Roberts, Gray Wood, Gregory Stanier, Gus Morris, Gwen Baines, Hannah Stranex, Hazel Guindon, Imi Hills, Iola Wallace, Izzy Hepburn, Jacob Webb, Jennie Atherton, Jenny Baines, Jessica Beck, Jessie Fenn, Juno Lee, Kenneth MacIver, Kevin McNamara, Kim Edwards, Kit King, Laura Tarlo-Ross, Liam Lawson, Louis Willis, Lucy Cox Dodgson, Mae Punter, Maisy-Mae Gilhart, Matthew Burnell, Max Ashby Holme, Meredith Johns, Michael Vere, Morgan Gasson, Nell Gayle-Harris, Phil Green, Rachael Booth, Remy Dimmock, Robin Kemp, Rosa Keene, Rosie Gilbert, Sammy Gilbert, Samuel Cooper, Sasha King-Smith, Sasha Lawson-Frost, Skuppy Nare, Skye Dutton, Steven Psihramis, Tas Cooper, Teran Chapis, Thomas Sutherland, Tim Hall Farthing, Tim Rouse, Tom Lavery, Ursula Glendinning, Vanessa Balogh, Will Reed, William Statham (85)

Co-Clerks:	At Open of Meeting: Chloe Scaling, Hannah Stranex At Close of Meeting: Chloe Scaling and Will Reed
Trustees:	At Open of Meeting: Georgia Campbell, Bel Ingham, Kevin McNamara, August Brown At Close of Meeting: Georgia Campbell, Bel Ingham, Kevin McNamara, August Brown, Mae Punter, Greg Stanier
Area & Local Meeting Representatives	Will Reed - York Area Meeting Emma Robinson - Southern Marches Area Meeting Robin Kemp - Luton and Leighton Area Meeting Gigi Smuraglia - London Young Adult Quakers Gray Wood - Hampshire and Islands Area Meeting Alexandra Boliver-Brown - East Kent Area Meeting Frankie de Vos - Cornwall Area Meeting

2025.05.1 [Minute of record: Intro to Quaker Business Method](#)

We have experienced an interactive introduction to the Quaker business method facilitated by Jenny Baines, one of our elders. We have reminded ourselves of how not to behave in meeting for worship for business.

2025.05.2 [Minute of support for Community Support Centre](#)

Hannah Stranex has introduced us to this item.

Community Support Centre is a charity based in Democratic Republic of Congo and is run by a Quaker. To be able to access funding from Britain Yearly Meeting, the charity needs a minute of support from a Quaker meeting or organisation in Britain. The charity focuses on resolving issues between people peacefully, and supporting people who have been affected by violence.

We agree to support Community Support Centre and ask that they be made eligible for grants offered by Britain Yearly Meeting in order to continue their important work. We ask our clerks to send this minute to the relevant committee within Britain Yearly Meeting.

2025.05.3 [Minute of record: Young Adult Friends gathering in Canada report](#)

Devon Tipping attended the gathering of Young Adult Friends in Canada in April 2025, and brought us a report. The written version of this report is appended to these minutes.

2025.05.4 [Receipt of minute from London Young Adult Quaker Meeting](#)

We have received a minute from London Young Adult Quaker Meeting regarding the arrests made in March 2025 at Westminster Meeting House.

2025.05.5 [Response to arrests at Westminster Meeting House](#)

Planning Weekend felt the need to respond to the incident at Westminster, and members of YFGM have written a draft statement between Planning Weekend and our May gathering, which has been available for viewing on our website. The meeting agrees to adopt an amended version of this statement, which adds a reference to minute MfS/25/03/14 - Police Powers and Protest - of Meeting for Sufferings, and notes the suffering felt by activists who are personally impacted by raids of this kind. The statement is appended to these minutes, and we ask that the website be updated to reflect the final version.

2025.05.6 [Accounts for 2024](#)

The accounts for 2024 have been prepared by our Finance committee, and presented by Tom Sutherland, our assistant treasurer. We accept these accounts pending independent examination, to be completed by and presented to the meeting at our October gathering.

2025.05.7 Mental Wellbeing Concern

This item was presented by Sasha Lawson-Frost and Sam Cooper, and follows a spirituality session earlier this afternoon on the topic of leadings and Concerns, facilitated by our elders. The introduction illustrated the history of the Concern, which was adopted in 2014, with a working group formed. The working group was laid down in 2019, but the meeting felt the Concern was still live in the community.

The Concern (capital C) has moved through our meeting for years, and laying it down does not mean it will not still be with us – it has shaped our past and will continue to shape our future. We are particularly grateful that our Concern continued through the Covid-19 lockdowns, where it was deeply needed. Concerns are transformative, and this one certainly has been. Our community is one that cares deeply about each other – concern, with a lower case c, is part of that care and will continue.

We have heard that a Concern often relates to ownership – a Concern is built of leadings towards responsibility. YFGM has been part of a wider Quaker movement around mental wellbeing, but it is no longer the impetus of our community – it is instead a structural part of the foundation. YFGM may have other Concerns that have become our new driving force, and more work is needed to discern what, if any, Concerns we now hold. As a community, YFGM cherishes trans and nonbinary inclusion, alongside other matters, and some of these things may lead us toward adopting future Concerns. We formally lay down the Mental Wellbeing Concern, and look forward to what the promptings of the spirit will lead us to.

2025.05.8 Switchboard report

Georgia Campbell, our Switchboard convenor, has presented a report from Switchboard, our once-monthly meeting of representatives of YFGM committees. Since last YFGM, we have begun the process of changing how we receive admin support. We are currently between admin support options, and exploring how our future admin support needs will be met. Georgia has handed over the convening of Switchboard to Juno Lee, and we thank them both for their service.

2025.05.9 Trustees report

Georgia Campbell, one of our Trustees, has presented a report about their activities between February and May. She mentioned the results of the demographic survey, and the future uses of the data gathered; a fascinating trawl through old YFGM documents; and the formalising of the trans and nonbinary inclusion policy.

2025.05.10 Minute of record: Planning Weekend Newcomers' Report

Nessa Balogh and Felix Matthews presented a deeply creative, thoughtful, interesting and also constructively critical report, written with our third Planning Weekend Newcomer, Eve Park. We deeply welcomed the constructive criticism in particular, and encourage future Planning Weekend Newcomers to critique Planning Weekend, both while there and in their reports. We have heard a need to

support them in performing this potentially intimidating task, and will take this need forward. A written version of the report is appended to the minutes.

2025.05.11 Meeting for Sufferings report

Hannah Stranex, one of our co-clerks, presented a report from the most recent Meeting for Sufferings in March 2025. They reported that there was a lot of internal business this time, as well as an item about police powers and protest. She reminded us that bodies like YFGM and Area Meetings are able to send minutes to Meeting for Sufferings for discernment and the papers and minutes are always available publicly on the Britain Yearly Meeting website.

2025.05.12 Nominations to Nominations

We agree to appoint Eve Park to the Nominations committee for three years, their term ending in May 2028, and Tim Hall Farthing for one year, their term ending in May 2026.

2025.05.13 Minute of record: EMEYF representative report

Gray Wood, our representative to the European and Middle East Young Friends spring gathering, gave a report on the recent gathering in Sweden. A written version is appended to these minutes.

2025.05.14 Nominations returns, including nominations to Nominations

We appoint the Friends named in the below table to the roles specified. We release Friends as indicated in the table and thank all those named below for their service.

Role	Released	Appointed	Until
Planning Weekend Newcomer	Eve Park Nessa Balogh Felix Matthews	Dean McColl Louis Willis Anya Doliczny	October 2025
Logistics	Rowan Queerly	Felix Matthews	May 2028
Pastoral	Vacancy	Devon Tipping Hannah Stranex	October 2026 May 2028
Elder	Jenny Baines Kim Edwards	Frankie De Vos Vacancy carried forward	May 2028
Trustee	Vacancy	Mae Punter Greg Stanier	October 2026 May 2028
Co-Clerk	Hannah Stranex	Will Reed	May 2028
Nominations	Sam Cooper Jess Beck	Eve Park Tim Hall Farthing	May 2028 May 2026

	Will Reed	Vacancy carried forward	
EMEYF Rep to SG2026	Gray Wood	Vacancy carried forward	n/a

We note the following co-options to committees for this YFGM and thank the Friends below for their service:

Liam Lawson to Elders

Vanessa Balogh to Pastoral

Gwen Baines to Nominations

Morgan Gasson to Logistics

Tom Sutherland has been our catering coordinator for this weekend.

2025.05.15 [Minute of record: Special Interest Groups and Session](#)

Special Interest Groups this weekend were:

- Shall we change our name?
- Large language AI discussion group
- Trip to Palestine Museum
- Allergen chat
- Ceilidh band rehearsal
- Protest rights and resisting police repression in Quaker contexts
- Visible mending
- Welcoming trans friends in Quaker communities

We thank everyone who facilitated these sessions for us, and encourage Friends to think of SIGs they might like to run at future YFGMs.

We have also had a session from Bristol Area Meeting reparations group and thank them for speaking to us.

2025.05.16 [Clerks' Offering](#)

We arrived in Bristol again full of the hope and warmth of the early summer. We have spent time singing and dancing together joyfully; laughing and crying; listening to announcements and giggling over them.

This weekend, we have laid our Mental Wellbeing Concern down. This was done with the confidence and assurance that taking care of each other is baked into who we are as a community. Since this Concern was initially adopted, our community has been transformed immeasurably. The Concern sustained us throughout the Covid-19 lockdowns and has helped us to come back bigger and stronger.

Love is found in the small actions, particles knocking together that build into a hurricane of hope. Matthew 6 tells us that when the eye is singularly fixed on God, the body is full of light - the eye of our hurricane is centred around the leadings of

the spirit, and so our bodies are filled with love when we are together. We have love for each and every person in our community and see the spirit flowing through everyone.

When talking about the world we long to see, sometimes it can be difficult to picture what we're looking for. Recent news and state actions have clouded the view. When our community is gathered together, talking about and enacting how to be our truest selves in the face of a world that makes it increasingly difficult, it feels like we're experiencing the future that can become.

Chloe Scaling and Hannah Stranex, co-clerks

Appendices & Further Information

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A: Living Adventurously: A Report from Canadian Young Friends Yearly Meeting 2025 by Devon Tipping

Quaker faith and practice encourages us to 'live adventurously'. This report shares my experience of following that leading. As a member of Plymouth Meeting in Devon Area Meeting, I was given the opportunity to attend the Canadian Young Friends Yearly Meeting 2025. At the start of the year, I made a commitment: if opportunities arose to live adventurously, I would follow them. With spiritual prompting and generous support from Canadian Friends, I said yes.

The three-day event had friends attending from across Canada, the US and from the UK. Friday began with ice-breakers, community agreements, and discussions on Quaker history, particularly discussions on the practice of plain clothing which I found really insightful: sharing how that translates to our modern world. Saturday opened with a spiritual check-in in small groups, followed by a worldview-sharing session and group reflections. Both of these sessions were new to me, and I found them really useful as reflective exercises, and as a means to listen to others' diverse views. Mealtimes began with Quaker grace, and on Saturday evening, we celebrated my birthday—complete with cake and a makeshift candle of a chocolate bar with a raspberry on top for the flame. Sunday began with pancakes and maple syrup, informal singing, and one of the most profound Meeting for Worships I have

ever experienced— marked by song, dance, and joyful ministry shared both inside and outdoors.

Over the weekend gathering, we explored worship, community, and spirit in ways that were both new and familiar. I am deeply grateful for the care, openness, and playful energy of Canadian Friends, that made this such a deep spiritual experience while feeling light, fun and a welcome relief from the weight of everyday life.

This trip will stay with me and has reminded me of the value of taking guided risks, and, in spite of being scared, taking the adventurous path. With this in mind I return with two questions to reflect upon: Do we see the value in living adventurously? And are we creating the conditions—within and beyond our Meetings—for such adventures of the spirit to unfold?

B: Minute from London Young Adult Quaker Meeting

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Friends were unable to truly put into words how they felt about the actions of the police. A sense of injustice was felt by the meeting, but injustice almost does not feel strong enough. Injustice was felt not only for Quakers, but also for young people who want to improve the world. Quaker spaces are let to those who uphold the Quaker values and testimonies of peace, equality, truth, simplicity and sustainability, values which Youth Demand actively support. If Youth Demand were arrested for a meeting, what's to protect Quakers from the same when we're living out our faith? Youth Demand members were arrested on suspicion of planning to cause a public nuisance, while on 27th of the Third Month, they were meeting more generally to discuss concerns, rather than practically planning a protest. What does this say about our society if we are not able to discuss injustice within a group?

It is important to remember and find comfort in the fact that so many people are outraged by these events. Westminster Quaker meeting have shown that they will not let this action prevent us from living out our peace and sustainability testimonies. The meeting house continues to let out spaces to Youth Demand. These arrests should not have happened, but Friends are comforted that if it had to, it happened in a public space and a place of worship, as this generated outrage and attention from Quakers and beyond. We are concerned that if this had happened not in a place of worship, but in another public space, that the same attention would not have been garnered and Youth Demand would have lost a vital meeting space.

We heard that for some Friends, a meeting house is more than just a building, to many it is a home where a part of us resides. Many people who gather in these spaces are young or members of a minority so it is vital that we have this as a safe space. It is understandable that society may have fears around protest, but this does not give the police the right to violate the sanctity found in Quaker meeting houses.

We stand in solidarity with those who were affected by these acts and the wider legislation it fell under, understanding that the law is not necessarily a measure of morality. Friends are concerned about the Public Order Act and questioned what can be done to fight against these infringements on our right to protest. We call for more attention on this legislation. If you would like to express support in solidarity with Youth Demand members, please consider donating to their cause and sign up to attend Youth Demand's next welcome talk through their website (youthdemand.org).

C: Response to the arrests at Westminster Meeting House

On Thursday 27th March, 2025, over 20 Metropolitan Police officers armed with tasers broke down the door of Westminster Quaker Meeting House, searching the building and arresting 6 young people. They were meeting to discuss protests against the climate crisis and Israel's ongoing genocide in Gaza.

London Young Adult Quaker Meeting, who meet in Westminster Quaker Meeting House, minuted their response to the actions of the police (LYAQM 2025/4/6 03.01). Young Friends General Meeting has received the minute and upholds it. We note that, just weeks before this raid took place, Meeting for Sufferings discerned on police powers and protest in Britain (MfS/25/03/14 - Police Powers and Protest).

This raid has felt very personal to many of us - a meeting house is not a sacred space, but it is meant to be a safe one, and many of us view them as homes away from home. These raids are not new, but are an escalating issue that many activists are facing, both in their meeting spaces and also their personal dwellings. The degree of personal hurt that we feel at this raid must be felt tenfold by those who have had their own homes raided.

YFGM is deeply concerned by this and other actions of the police, and their violation of the right to protest and freedom of speech. A week after the raid took place, Young Friends joined public meetings for worship alongside hundreds of other Friends to protest outside New Scotland Yard, across the country, and online.

These arrests were the first to take place within a Quaker meeting house in living memory, but wider policing trends suggest we cannot assume they will be the last. The powers used to carry out this attack on the right to protest are a result of the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 and the Public Order Act 2023, which has seen a wider trend of criminalisation of protest backed by these acts. YFGM are increasingly concerned about the ways in which these acts allow for police power to be abused, and demand their repeal. Dissent and protest are essential parts of a healthy democracy, yet these powers allow arrest to be used as a

tool to strike fear into all those looking to speak truth to power by unjustifiably splitting up peaceful protests and meetings.

We have been heartened to see the response from around the world, as well as some of our own elected representatives. It is clear to see that the conversation around the treatment of protest in the UK has shifted as a result. We hope that this leads to change. It is outrageous that the mere discussion of protest led to the arrest of 6 young people, some of whom were new to the movement.

We as Quakers are called by our testimonies to call out injustice where we see it and work towards equality, peace and sustainability. Many Quakers are involved in campaigns on a wide variety of issues, including the climate crisis, social justice, and Israel's ongoing genocide in Gaza.

In February 2024, at our YFGM in York, we minuted a response (2024.02.10 Palestine) to Israel's ongoing genocide in Gaza. As we reflect on what has and is continuing to happen we are reminded of our commitment:

"As we go forward we will strive to do what we can, how we can, to work for peace. We recognise the value of hope in complementing the actions we take for peace – of keeping our faith that, one day, "freedom from the scourge of war will ... be brought about through the faithfulness of individuals to their inmost convictions".
(part of QF&P 23.92)

As we ask ourselves 'what does love require of us?' we recognise the need to preserve the peoples, practices and culture of Palestine, through action direct and indirect. We uphold our members in their ministry, and will commit to standing with them in their work for peace.

We are reminded of the words of Friend Bayard Rustin, that "We need in every community a group of angelic troublemakers who really will disrupt. Our power is

in our ability to make things unworkable. Not with any weapons because that is not our weapon. The only weapon we have is our bodies, and we need to tuck them in places so things, wheels don't turn."

While the rise in suppression can be scary, we want to remember that our rights to protest do still exist. As Quakers, we have a long tradition of standing up for what we believe in and engaging in protest. We encourage one another to attend legal rights trainings and increase our knowledge of our rights, so we can feel able to continue our witness in whichever ways speak to us.

D: Planning Weekend Newcomers' Report

At the end of March, the three of us headed to Cambridge to fulfil our role of Planning Weekend Newcomers ... or so they thought. What they didn't know is that we were actually evil undercover journalists, and these are the secrets we uncovered.

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30th March, 2025

Infiltrating Britain's Young Adult Quaker schemes

Undercover reporters infiltrated Quaker group and exposed their secret activities.

On the first evening, it's fair to say we were thrown by the incredible amount of jargon and terminology the community can use. This was not too much of a barrier to our understanding though as many 'friends' were terrible at gatekeeping and exposed all of the acronomical and organisational secrets with little prompting. As well as a kind and patient explanation, there were also frequent comments of "this will all be explained tomorrow morning". This seemed slightly bizarre as come Saturday morning, all our questions had been answered, so it is unclear who the explanations were then for.

We were also provided with high level access to the discord (muahahah) beforehand to allow us to view the top secret plans and prepare ourselves. This was helpful to an extent but could have been aided by slightly more explanations to fully make use of it.

There was a slight feel that although we were invited and encouraged to join in all the threshing and committee meetings, because we didn't know the

background/history/controversy surrounding an item we couldn't fully contribute or sabotage many of the discussions leading to a sense of feeling like a child joining in an adult's conversation. Or perhaps, an undercover reporter, way out of their depth...

Within these sessions, decision making processes largely followed a logical plan and an order that had been confidently set by the "assertive elders". Despite this, we were impressed at the meeting's ability to adapt to the time-sensitive issue of the

Westminster Raid resulting in our favourite contribution that it "sucked big dick". We found that the ability to take a more relaxed approach extended to a policy of 'let a random lady take a table'.

For this reason, We found the measures we took to immediately infiltrate the Quaker space were more than suitable however, social integration (at least over the course of one weekend) was trickier to access, between people being busy with committees and having friends, it was a relatively socially exclusive environment and had little in the way of social integration scaffolding. It appeared to be presumed that all attendees would have no issue with social inclusion which did not seem to be the case.

Threshing (which we initially thought was the torture method used on undercover journalists) was interesting but slightly draining as additional to feeling slightly behind with all the discussions, there was continued use of the phrase "we'll take this to agenda setting". This left us bemused as to what the mystical Setting of Agenda involved. It became a key area of our investigation.

Whilst the sessions were planned efficiently, we noticed a tendency to slip into attempting to solve an issue immediately rather than focussing on whether it should be brought to the meeting. This deviation is natural and showed such enthusiasm and care for our community - too bad we are going to take it down. 'Friends' dedication' had a slightly opposing effect as it meant the sessions were rather long and 'friends' expressed lacking focus and patience. Furthermore, when it came to the end of the weekend and the session to discuss "everything we want to discuss at PW but never have the time for"; there was once again barely any time! This made it difficult to fully uncover all of the long term evil Quaker plans! THWARTED AGAIN!

Another way this could be helped could be by considering in advance how much committee time is needed. For example, the second committee session (commitwos) was not used, whilst rest is exceedingly important. At least according to the 'friends', perhaps the timetable could be altered to reflect what time is needed to allow more time for the other issues?

The 'friends' allowed us unvetted access to all of their committees and classified plans, which was actually a little overwhelming and we could have done with more prescribed direction.

It was insightful to get a chance to understand the work that goes on behind the scenes for YFGM and was very useful in formulating our plans to wreak treachery on them.

Us undercover reporters sent to investigate these young people occupying Cambridge meeting house were not expecting the people to be so lovely. They made sure we were welcomed but also made sure all 'friends' looked after themselves. It was not uncommon for people (such as Freddie and Becky) to be told NOT to do a helpful job and to rest instead – this is quite unlike our journalism workplace where wonderful epilogues and meeting for worship are FAR from standard.

This was a thoroughly enjoyable work weekend, and we are grateful to have been a part of it. We intend on writing more expose's on this simply RADICAL spiritual group.

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E: EMEYF Representative Report

From 12th-19th April I joined 40 other European and Middle Eastern Young Friends (EMEYF) from 17 countries for a week-long gathering near Jönköping, Sweden. The gathering was loosely focused around the theme of "Fear, Faith and Integrity in the Presence of Conflict". We had sessions discussing various aspects of the theme, including Non-Violent Communication, how our faith interacts with the presence of conflict, and a very interesting and moving talk from the Headteacher of Friends' School Ramallah.

We existed as an intentional community for the week, cooking and cleaning together in small groups – named after different ABBA songs, which naturally led to listening to ABBA almost non-stop all week! Being in the Swedish countryside next to the beautiful Svansjön (Swan Lake) was very peaceful and restorative, and I enjoyed the bonfires in the evening. Also there were SO MANY FROGS!

With the gathering being a whole week, there was much more space in the timetable than there is at YFGM. This meant that there were several hours of free time each day, which people spent swimming, reading, resting, boating, using the sauna, chatting, cooking, etc etc. This also meant that people were much more able to join the scheduled sessions, with around 75% attendance at many of the business meetings (which were at most once a day).

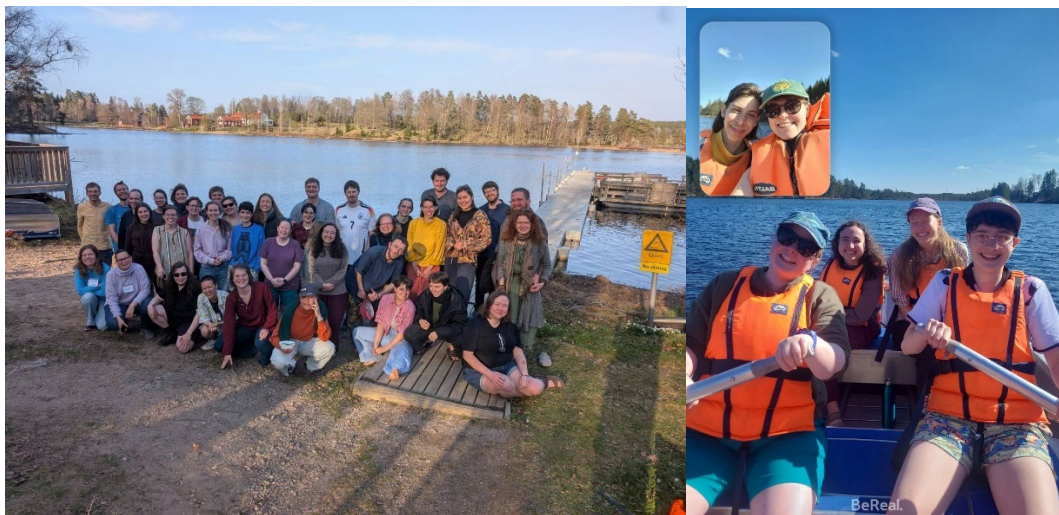
EMEYF has also been on a journey with accessibility, and I am grateful for the efforts made to make the spring gathering accessible and inclusive, including

blending the gathering for those unable to attend in person. I look forward to seeing how this continues to progress, allowing more people to attend the gathering and be part of the community.

I had a wonderful time at the gathering, making many new lifelong friends, and deepening connections I already had. I served on the Nominations committee for the gathering, which brought me closer to the community, and I have come away from the gathering as the new EMEYF Co-Clerk! (The noms to clerk pipeline is SO real!)

I would definitely recommend other Young Adult Friends to get involved in the future, and look forward to what the YFGM-EMEYF connection brings in future. The annual meeting is in November in Germany, and the next spring gathering will be somewhere in the Baltic countries.

You can read about some of our activities on the EMEYF blog:
<https://emeyf.org/blog-page/>



F: 2024 Accounts - Draft

Young Friends General Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends			
Charity Number: 1064763			

Accounts for the year to 31.12.2024

Statement of Financial Activities (at 31.12.2024)

			2024				2023		
			Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	Note:								
Income from:									
Grants	2		£17,135.13	£0.00	£17,135.13		£11,500.00	£0.00	£11,500.00
Donations	3		£7,831.98	£0.00	£7,831.98		£6,432.11	£0.00	£6,432.11
Other Income (Interest)	4		£545.46	£0.00	£545.46		£169.34	£215.52	£384.86
Transfers	9		£14,484.85	-£14,484.85	£0.00		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Total			£39,997.42	-£14,484.85	£25,512.57		£18,101.45	£215.52	£18,316.97
Expenditure:									
Raising Funds	5		£213.63	£0.00	£213.63		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Charitable Activities	5		£32,057.76	£4,170.00	£36,227.76		£15,102.72	£0.00	£15,102.72
Total			£32,271.39	£4,170.00	£36,441.39		£15,102.72	£0.00	£15,102.72
Net Income / (Expenditure)			£7,726.03	-£18,654.85	-£10,928.82		£2,998.73	£215.52	£3,214.25
Reconciliation of funds:	9								
Total Funds Brought Forward			£76,998.10	£18,654.85	£95,652.95		£73,999.37	£18,439.33	£92,438.70
Net Movement in Funds			£7,726.03	-£18,654.85	-£10,928.82		£2,998.73	£215.52	£3,214.25
Total Funds Carried Forward			£84,724.13	£0.00	£84,724.13		£76,998.10	£18,654.85	£95,652.95

Young Friends General Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends									
Charity Number: 1064763									
Accounts for the year to 31.12.2024									
Balance Sheet (at 31.12.2024)									
			2024	2023					
	Note:								
Fixed Assets			£0.00	£0.00					
Current Assets									
Stocks	6		£0.00	£0.00					
Debtors (money we were owed)	7		£92.83	£95.22					
Cash at bank and in hand:									
Current Account			£23,659.11	£63,001.41					
Deposit Account			£33,976.53	£33,431.07					
Fixed Term Deposit Account			£30,000.00	£0.00					
Petty Cash			£20.61	£0.00					
			£87,656.25	£96,432.48					
Total Current Assets			£87,749.08	£96,527.70					
Creditors (money we owed at the end of 2024)									
	8		-£3,024.95	-£874.75					
Net Current Assets / (Liabilities)			£84,724.13	£95,652.95					
			2024				2023		
Funds of the charity	9		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
Unrestricted Funds			£84,724.13		£84,724.13		£76,998.10		£76,998.10
Restricted Funds				£0.00	£0.00			£18,654.85	£18,654.85
Total funds carried forward			£84,724.13	£0.00	£84,724.13		£76,998.10	£18,654.85	£95,652.95

Young Friends General Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends									
Charity Number: 1064763									
Accounts for the year to 31.12.2024									
Notes to the Accounts									
Statutory Information									
Young Friends General Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers), commonly known as Young Friends General Meeting or YFGM, is an unincorporated charity registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales as charity no. 1064763									
The registered office address is YFGM Office, Friends House, 173 Euston Road, London NW1 2BJ.									
Note 1. Accounting Policies									
1.1 Basis of accounting									
Young Friends General Meeting constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.									
These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.									
The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP), and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and with the Charities Act 2011.									
1.2 Going concern									
These accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis. The trustees consider that, in view of the charity's significant cash reserves and forecasts for the next twelve months, there are no material uncertainties as to the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.									
1.3 Income									
Income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt; it is more likely than not to be received; and where the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty.									
There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the Charities SORP or FRS102.									
The charity has received no government grants during the reporting period, or in the prior reporting period.									
The value of voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.									
1.4 Expenditure									
Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.									
Expenditure is included in the statement of financial activities when incurred and is inclusive of VAT.									
1.5 Assets									
Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost and depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful economic life.									
The charity does not at present hold investments.									
The charity does not at present hold stocks held for sale.									
Stocks held for distribution as part of charitable activities are recognised where the value of the line of stock at purchase exceeds £500, and are measured at net realisable value based on the service potential provided by items of stock.									
Debtors (including trade debtors and loans receivable) are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount. Subsequently, they are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.									
Note 2: Grants Received									
		2024				2023			
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	
	Britain Yearly Meeting	£10,000.00	£0.00	£10,000.00		£10,000.00	£0.00	£10,000.00	
	CB & HH Taylor 1984 Trust	£4,000.00	£0.00	£4,000.00		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
	Friends Trust	£1,635.13	£0.00	£1,635.13		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
	Sir James Reckitt Charity	£1,500.00	£0.00	£1,500.00		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
	Other Grants	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00		£1,500.00	£0.00	£1,500.00	
	Total	£17,135.13	£0.00	£15,635.13		£10,000.00	£0.00	£10,000.00	
Note 3: Donations Received									
		2024				2023			
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	
	Quaker Meetings	£3,664.25	£0.00	£3,664.25		£2,528.36	£0.00	£2,528.36	
	Individual Friends	£4,122.73	£0.00	£4,122.73		£2,731.92	£0.00	£2,731.92	
	YFGM Donations	£45.00	£0.00	£45.00		£951.83	£0.00	£951.83	
	Other	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00		£220.00	£0.00	£220.00	
	Total	£7,831.98	£0.00	£7,831.98		£6,432.11	£0.00	£6,432.11	
Note 4: Interest received									
		2024							
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total					
	Interest into Deposit Account	£545.46	£0.00	£545.46					
	Total	£545.46	£0.00	£545.46					
Note 5: Expenditure									
		2024				2023			
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	

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Young Friends General Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends									
Charity Number: 1064763									
Accounts for the year to 31.12.2024									
Income and Expenditure (at 31.12.2024)									
The information on this sheet is supplementary and is not a formal part of the accounts that will be submitted to the Charity Commission.									
		2024	2023						
Income									
Grants		£17,135.13	£12,551.83						
Quaker Meetings		£3,664.25	£2,731.92						
Individual Friends		£4,122.73	£2,648.36						
YFGM Donations		£45.00	£0.00						
Interest - Restricted Funds		£0.00	£0.00						
Interest - Unrestricted Funds		£545.46	£384.86						
		<u>£25,512.57</u>	<u>£18,316.97</u>						
Expenditure									
General Meeting Costs									
Access		£5,816.81	£0.00			This is zero as the way we paid access claims changed from 2023 to 2024			
Food		£1,843.14	£541.81						
General Travel		£279.70	£0.00						
Newcomer Travel		£2,688.67	£566.29						
Role Holder Travel		£5,215.02	£3,889.49						
Venue		£1,100.00	£600.00						
Other		£215.64	£0.00						
Planning Weekend Costs									
Access		£2,461.34	£0.00			This is zero as the way we paid access claims changed from 2023 to 2024			
Food		£1,121.81	£446.26						
Role Holder Travel		£2,845.15	£1,647.88						
Venue		£251.70	£400.00						
Administrative Costs									
Administrative Support		£5,188.64	£2,863.01						
Insurance		£514.83	£426.17						
Bookkeeping		£120.00	£110.00						
Training		£35.00	£1,031.35						
Outreach		£213.63	£0.00						
Representatives		£879.78	£0.00						
Other		£30.53	£94.61						
Provision of Bursaries									
Bursaries - Unrestricted		£450.00	£2,421.70						
Bursaries - Restricted		£4,170.00	£0.00						
Grantmaking									
EMEYF Grant		£1,000.00	£0.00						
		<u>£36,441.39</u>	<u>£15,038.57</u>						
Surplus/Deficit for the Year									
Restricted Funds		-£4,170.00	£0.00						
Unrestricted Funds		-£6,758.82	£3,278.40						
		<u>-£10,928.82</u>	<u>£3,278.40</u>						