

**At a meeting of Warwick Friends held at the Quaker Centre  
on Sunday 2nd June 2019**

Present: 6 Friends were present for our meeting, starting at 12 noon and Rob Hooper acted as the duty Elder.

Minute 19/32 We chose not to appoint an assistant clerk for the duration of today's meeting.

Minute 19/33 *Advices & Queries* No 42 was read aloud during worship today, June 2nd.

Minute 19/34 Past and future area meetings

John Sheldon represented us at Sutton Coldfield FMH on Sat 18th May and reported back to us on the following Sunday. We appoint

Dave Rawcliffe to represent us at Stourbridge FMH on Sat 15th June at 2pm and ask for their report asap after the meeting

Minute 19/35 Area Meeting at Warwick July 18th - arrangements

We agree to fund the cost of sandwiches (£6.75) for AM at Warwick FMH on 18.7.19, to be made by Paul Lively of the Quaker Cafe. We ask Ed Creasy to arrange this with Paul. The members of the Social Committee have volunteered to organise the event and the supply of cakes which we agree will be provided by members and attenders. We ask Ed Creasy to obtain a fair estimate of numbers for catering from the Clerks of Area Meeting.

Minute 19/36 Laying down of 'I believe' Link role - Paula Button

We record that Paula Button has laid down the role of the 'I believe' column Link. We thank her for her work in this role and ask Nominations Committee to seek a replacement role-holder.

Minute 19/37 Memorial Minute - George Timlin

We received a Memorial Minute for George Timlin, filed with these minutes.

We thank the Elders and all those involved in writing this very full and inspiring minute, including members of George's family. We ask our Clerk to forward it to Area Meeting. The final version has been seen and approved by the family – they understand that it will be passed on to Area Meeting once it has been presented at BM.

Minute 19/38 Report from Fund-raising Committee

We received the report of the Fund-raising Committee ( to be filed with these minutes) and thank them for their diligent work on our behalf. We are encouraged to note the healthy state of our finances, whilst being aware of our future financial commitments.

We ask our Clerk to make Members and Attenders aware that they may approach the Business Meeting regarding special collections or other commitments, if they feel moved to do so.

We ask our Clerk to check with the Fund Raising Committee whether the word 'cafe' should be replaced with 'common room', as we think that has been seen as the priority. With that correction, we would be happy to accept this report.

Minute 19/39 Responsibility Form

The draft of the final paragraphs for the 2018 Responsibility Form was presented by our Clerk.

We made some alterations to the draft which now reads as follows:

*'During 2018, Warwick Meeting has continued to be a relatively large and active meeting, having Meetings for Worship once a week and Meetings for Business once a month. We have been particularly active in fund-raising for and implementing our garden project. We have hosted theatre performances, a Kindlers Workshop and a variety of social and spiritual events, including a weekend away at Ironbridge.*

*We upheld the sad decision to lay down the weekly Meeting for Worship at Leamington Spa.*

*We have been very challenged by implementing the GDPR which took up a lot of our time and energy and which left some of us feeling that we have lost more than we have gained*

*We have mourned the loss of several dear Friends and Attenders.*

*We have been very challenged by the behaviour of one of our Friends. The fall-out from this has been considerable and has led to our Overseers, Elders, Safeguarding Officers and Clerk being very stretched at times, in order to care for the Friend concerned, the other Friends and Attenders and the life and health of the Meeting. We are grateful to those members of Central England Area Meeting who have supported and advised us at this time, particularly those from Bull Street Meeting. We have a workshop planned in June to support those Friends and Attenders who would welcome more input on this matter.'*

Minute 19/40 Discharge of Continuing Minutes

Due to a change in legislation, the institution of the GDPR, minute 18/17 overrides minutes 13/37 and 14/03. The maintenance of the list of Members and Attenders is covered by the Terms of Reference of the Overseers. We therefore discharge Minutes 13/37, 14/03 and 18/17 which are now complete.

God willing we shall meet again on Sunday July 7th commencing 12 noon after Meeting for Worship, with agenda items and papers to the clerk by Thursday 27th June.

Meg Harper, clerk

Continuing Minutes

Existing

16/28 (part): Fund-raising committee – annual report – re. use of contribution schedule

18/62: Wording for Garden Sign

19/28: (part) TOR representative to Churches Together in Warwick.