

WSQAM Business Team Meeting of 4th June 2018 at Taunton MH.

18/36 Reading:

Number 42 of our 'Advices and Queries' and its George Fox 'Postscript' were both read in our Meeting this evening.

18/37 Those Present:

Brian Collingridge; Chris Lawson; Anna Mullett; Huw Morgan; Phil Parratt; Martin Wall.

Apologies were received from Sue Brownlie and Sheila Whitlock.

18/38 Matters On-going:

(a) Further to 18/28 (a) (i):

Consequent to the Special Topic Area Meeting held recently regarding 'Sustainability', Minute 18/35, agreed at the AM at Wellington, was read to the Business Team. A full Report will appear in the AM Newsletter.

(b) Further to 18/28 (a) (ii):

Martin Wall reported that a second planning meeting has taken place where Alison Mitchell was present. A programme for the day was devised and a 'Letter of Invitation' drafted which will be sent out to LM's in all three participating Area Meetings in due course.

(c) Further to 18/32:

Following her recent meeting with Chris Lawson, Judith Blaker is appointed as Membership Clerk. She is now in possession of the various records and will keep them updated once AM/BTM Minutes record changes.

18/39 Reports:

A Report on Quaker Life Rep Council of 27-29 April 2018 by Carinne Allinson has been received by this BT Meeting and will be appear in the AM Newsletter.

18/40 Membership Matters:

- (a) An Application for Membership has been received from John Sivyer currently attending Bridgwater LM. We appoint Steve Trelfa of Bridgwater LM and Martin Wall of Taunton LM to act as Visitors.
- (b) Minute of Record: We record that the ashes of Albert David Rolands of Exeter Meeting were scattered at Spiceland Burial Ground on April 28th 2018

18/41 Quaker response to a Concern of Southern Marches AM sent to Meeting for Sufferings:

We ask Local Meetings to give due consideration to this Concern and to forward their responses to this Business Team by Friday 14th September. These responses will then be collated at the Business Team Meeting of 1st October, we hope with the help of our two Representatives to Meeting for Sufferings.

18/42 Next Area Meeting for Business and appointment of Clerks.

(1) Agenda:

- (a) We agree, in anticipation of a Minute from Taunton LM to place 'Citizens UK' on the Agenda for the next AM for Business on July 21st. We hope there will be a briefing paper for the consideration of LM Preparative/ Business Meetings.
- (b) Area Meeting Current Arrangements: We note that our two year Term as a Business Team comes to an end in December 2018. We will review our Current Arrangements for this Area Meeting at our July AM.

Chris Lawson will produce a Briefing Paper for discussion by Local Meetings.

- (c) Special Topic AM Report: We hope that space will be allotted during the next AM for a presentation of this Meeting's most important aspects also allowing time for some follow-up questions
- (d) Quaker Life Rep Council Report: Similarly, it is hoped that sufficient time can be found during the next AM for at least the highlights of this Report to be presented and for follow-up questions.
- (e) Importance of representation from all LM's in Area Meetings for Elders and Overseers:

We have received a request by Sheila Harvey of Taunton LM to place this item on the AM Agenda for July. Sheila is prepared to speak to it.

(2) Appointment of Clerks:

Martin Wall and Chris Lawson have been appointed as Co-Clerks for the Area Meeting for Business on Saturday, July 21st to be held at Spiceland MH.

18/43 Closing Minute:

We thank Taunton Local Meeting for making this room available for our Meeting this evening and look forward to meeting again as a Business Team here in Taunton Meeting House on Monday, August 6th to begin at the usual time of 7.00pm (19.00 hrs).

Huw Morgan (06/06/2018)

