



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From Staffordshire Area Quaker Meeting **Period start date** 1st January 2023
To 31st December 2023 **Period end date**

Charity name: Staffordshire Area Quaker Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in Britain

Charity registration number: 1192134

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The furtherance of the general religious and charitable purposes of the Religious Society of Friends in Britain in Staffordshire and beyond.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	• Strengthening the life and witness of the Area Meeting and spreading the message of Quakers. • Undertaking Quaker service for the relief of suffering at home and abroad. • Funding the concerns that Staffordshire Quaker meetings have adopted or agreed to support. • Agreed to support Sanctuary seekers and prison visiting. • Providing pastoral care for members and attenders. • Maintaining and developing our Staffordshire Quaker Meeting Houses, meeting the costs of Meeting House maintenance from Area Funds via Trustees when requested. • Administering and maintaining the organisation of Staffordshire Area Meeting, as shown in the accounts are the Area Meeting contributions from Local Meetings. • Also included are conference & travel costs for individuals attending approved courses or central Quaker committee
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees are fully conversant with the Charity Commission's guidance on the requirement to report on the public benefit derived from operating as a charity and consider that such benefit arises from all the activities of Staffordshire Area Quaker meeting.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	Grants are made to members/attenders of the Meeting attendance at approved educational and training needs, support for voluntary activities e.g. prison chaplains and for the relief of need (not covered by statutory bodies).
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Staffordshire Area Quaker Meeting and its constituent local Meetings are volunteer led organisations who provide the office holders and carry out administrative functions
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	Staffordshire Area Meeting comprises of 7 local meetings (LMs) across the county; with one meeting in the county town and another in the counties' cathedral city with its historical connections with George Fox (founder of Quakerism). There are 5 Quaker Meeting Houses, with two meetings meeting in rented accommodation. All Meetings continued to meet for Sunday Worship and provide pastoral care for their congregations. Leek and Stone Meetings has signed up to the <i>Welcome Directory</i>, an initiative to welcome ex-offenders on release from prison. The five Meeting Houses experienced increasing use as community centres providing facilities for a wide variety of charities, including supporting refugees, mental health support, educational organisations, addiction services, musical activities e.g. choir sessions, and a venue for other faith groups. This list is not exhaustive. In addition to Meeting discussion

		groups exploring spiritual development, e.g. at Stone Meeting, Open days and public meetings were held to introduce Quakerism and the work of the Religious Society of Friends. Many Quakers throughout Staffordshire are engaged in a wide variety of charitable and community works. Currently there is no formal list of these activities, which is to be taken forward. Area Meeting (the governing body) met 7 times in 2023. Work included receiving and approving the accounts for 2022, reports from local meeting and Area Trustees. A working party has been set up to consider the long-term future of Staffordshire Area Quaker Meeting in the face of declining membership and difficulties in finding volunteers to apply for posts involved in running the charity and its activities.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	The objectives as set out in paragraph 3 of the CIO constitution were met.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	In 2019 £160,000 was invested, managed by Rathbone Green Bank on behalf of the Area Meeting to provide regular dividends in the medium term through Ethical investments. As of 31 st December 2023, a fund value of £165,615 reflecting market turbulence during the year. The risk level was set to level 3 to cover inflation.
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The Charity is solvent, with £97,317 (£72,048 in restricted funds) in liquid funds and £165,619 in investments as of the 31st December 2023 and as detailed in the accounts. Staffordshire Area Meeting Houses are insured for £4,616,112. Overall, there was an increase in assets of £20,924 in 2023.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The main financial risk against which reserves are held involves the upkeep and maintenance of Meeting Houses, especially as 3 of them are listed buildings. This has been covered through the review and simplification of funds held in the Staffordshire Area Meeting Charities Account (completed 18/03/2021). Specific funds for property maintenance and Relief in Need have been set up.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	The general fund is £20,730 with reserves £3,194 held by Area Meeting. There is a restricted property fund for the maintenance of buildings of £49,827.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	There are no concerns regarding the charity as an ongoing concern as of the 31st December 2023. However, with a declining and ageing membership and difficulties in finding people to fill posts, 2023 has seen ongoing exploration of what the future holds.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The charity's principal sources of funds are from, • Member contributions • Lettings income from the Meeting Houses. • Dividends on investments
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	The investment policy is to maintain sufficient capital and income from ethical sources to maintain the objectives of the Charity.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The principal risks facing the charity are: • A reducing and aging congregation, leading to difficulties in filling positions to maintaining the running and achieving the objectives of the charity. • The maintenance of Meeting Houses, particularly those which are listed buildings.
Other		Trustees met online 5 times in 2023, covering the following; • Received reports on Safeguarding. • Reviewed a complaint made against the Stoke Meeting House caretaker. This matter has been resolved. • Received a review of the terms and conditions of wardenship at Wolverhampton Meeting. • Financial settlement concluded regarding the complaint against the Co-operative bank. • Received report on the laying down of the Quaker Service Memorial Trust (National Arboretum). • Reviewed and approved expenditures for the upkeep of Meeting Houses in Leek, Uttoxeter and Stafford. • Approved Memorandum of Understanding with Britain Yearly Meeting. • Initiated discussions with Staffordshire Area Meeting in session regarding the future of the Area Meeting and support for Trustees.

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO constitution of the 18 th October 2020. The Staffordshire Area Quaker Meeting Charities 18 th March 2021.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are nominated by Nominations Committee of Staffordshire Area Quaker Meeting, subject to formal vetting procedures and ratified by Staffordshire Area Quaker Meeting in session at an area meeting.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Newly appointed Trustees are encouraged and supported to participate in formal training provided by Woodbrooke Quaker College in Birmingham (now online)
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	Staffordshire Area Quaker Meeting is part of Britain Yearly Quaker Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers). Staffordshire Area Meeting is made of seven local Quaker Meetings in Staffordshire and is the representative body that holds legal powers (Buildings, finance, employment, legal compliance etc.). Day to day activities and management are delivered by the local Quaker Meetings. Friends Trust Ltd, 173 Euston Road, London NW1 2BJ in the Holding Trustee for land and Meeting Houses held by the Charity. Friends Trust Ltd are the holding Trustees.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Not applicable
Other		

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Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Staffordshire Area Quaker Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in Britain
Other name the charity uses	Staffordshire Area Quaker meeting (SAQM)
Registered charity number	1192134
Charity's principal address	Friends Meeting House, 8B Summerfield Road, Wolverhampton, Wolverhampton WV1 4PR

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Richard Ashwell	Area Trustee		Staffordshire Area Quaker meeting
2	Berry Dicker	Area Trustee Safeguarding lead		Staffordshire Area Quaker meeting Staffordshire Area Quaker meeting
3	Stephen Langford	Clerk to Trustees Health & Safety Lead		Staffordshire Area Quaker meeting
4	Peter Moore	Area Trustee		Staffordshire Area Quaker meeting
5	Nigel Peckett	Area Trustee		Staffordshire Area Quaker meeting
6	Bryan Cleary	Area Trustee		Staffordshire Area Quaker Meeting
7	Peter Holland	Area Trustee		Staffordshire Area Quaker Meeting

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved – **not applicable.**

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
Friends Trust Ltd, Friends House, 173 Euston Road, London, NW1 2BJ, Charity Commission Number: 237698		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others – not applicable.

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

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Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

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Date

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Full name of Area Meeting:

Staffordshire Area Quaker Meeting

Support telephone:

01785 814129

Local help for treasurers:

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Meeting locations:

AM →

LMs →

	Staffordshire
1	Leek
2	Lichfield
3	Stafford
4	Stoke
5	Stone
6	Uttoxeter & Burton
7	Wolver-hampton
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Manual entries
Area Meeting

Manual entries
Local Meeting

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment
Donations and legacies			
Other trading activities			
Investments			
Charitable activities			
Other income			
Raising funds			
Charitable activities			
Support costs (with any depreciation)			
Other expenditure			
Net transfers to / from other funds or Meetings			
Gains (losses) on investments			
Total funds brought forward, 1 Jan			
Land and buildings			
Fixtures and fittings			
Long term investments			
Deposit a/c			
Current a/c and cash in hand			
Staff wages and salaries			
Employer's tax and NI contributions			
Employer's pension contributions			
Refund of expenses to trustees			
Independent examiner costs			
Amount allocated to Quaker activities			
Amount allocated to Generating funds			
Donations to BYM			
Donations to other Quaker bodies			
Donations to non-Quaker bodies			
Grants to individuals			
Asset initial cost or last valuation			
Additions			
Disposals			
Revaluations			
Accumulated depreciation			
Depreciation for this year			
Net book value at start of year			
Market value at beginning of year			
Add: additions to investments at cost			
Less: carrying value of investments sold			
Net gain/(loss) on revaluation			
Investment property			
Stock exchange investments			
Unit trusts or similar			
Securities not listed on stock exchange			
Cash held in an investment portfolio			
Other investments			
Contributions to AM from individuals			

Contributions to BYM from individuals		← Acting as Agent
Collections for Quaker bodies		
Collections for non-Quaker bodies		
Other money to pass on to others		

Staffordshire Area Quaker Meeting - Consolidated Accounts for the year

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Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) - Staffordshire Area Meeting
Unrestricted funds

Year ending 31 December 2023

	Totals	Designated funds of the Area Meeting								
		general	reserve	education	QPC	Leek	Lichfield	Stafford	Stoke	Stone
Income and endowments from:										
Donations and legacies	45,559	14,190.49	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,537.00	7,742.61	4,460.20	3,625.59	2,565.00
Other trading activities	34,948	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,636.00	0.00	4,795.00	7,732.00	0.00
Investments	433	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.60	94.24	0.00	0.00
Charitable activities	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other income	5,384	3,002.61	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	856.41	0.00	0.00
Total income and endowments	86,324	17,193.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,173.00	7,745.21	10,205.85	11,357.59	2,565.00
Expenditure on:										
Raising funds	17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17.00
Charitable activities	44,661	1,234.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,715.03	5,865.59	7,773.77	12,206.08	3,566.94
Support costs (with any depreciation)	10,398	745.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(0.00)	0.00	0.00
Other expenditure	2,500	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total expenditure	57,576	4,479.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,715.03	5,865.59	7,773.77	12,206.08	3,583.94
Net income before transfers	28,748	12,713.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,457.97	1,879.62	2,432.08	(848.49)	(1,018.94)
Net transfers to/from other funds & Meetings	369	(3,044.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	(209.00)	(556.00)	(278.00)	(209.00)	(209.00)
Net income after transfers	29,117	9,669.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,248.97	1,323.62	2,154.08	(1,057.49)	(1,227.94)
Gains (losses) on investments	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total funds brought forward, 1 Jan	94,830	11,061.06	3,194.42	2,273.74	1,947.36	12,197.09	10,296.44	12,176.04	8,570.23	7,305.25
Total funds carried forward, 31 Dec	123,947	20,730.97	3,194.42	2,273.74	1,947.36	14,446.06	11,620.06	14,330.12	7,512.74	6,077.31
Statement of Assets and Liabilities										
Fixed assets										
Land and buildings	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fixtures and fittings	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Long term investments	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total fixed assets	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Current assets										
Deposit a/c	57,451	19,000.00	3,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,044.37	7,455.22	0.00	0.00
Current a/c and cash in hand	66,497	1,730.97	194.42	1,273.74	947.36	14,446.06	10,575.69	6,874.90	7,512.74	6,077.31
Total current assets	123,947	20,730.97	3,194.42	2,273.74	1,947.36	14,446.06	11,620.06	14,330.12	7,512.74	6,077.31
Net assets	123,947	20,730.97	3,194.42	2,273.74	1,947.36	14,446.06	11,620.06	14,330.12	7,512.74	6,077.31
Balance errors	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Paid employees										
Staff wages and salaries	8,389	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	628.75	0.00	0.00	6,818.41	0.00
Employer's tax and NI contributions	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Employer's pension contributions	509	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	508.54	0.00
Totals	8,898	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	628.75	0.00	0.00	7,326.95	0.00
Trustees and examiners										
Refund of expenses to trustees	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Independent examiner costs	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Support costs										
Amount allocated to Quaker activities	103,931	74,519.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,855.03	1,192.79	7,223.77	11,995.08	309.49
Amount allocated to Generating funds	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals	103,931	74,519.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,855.03	1,192.79	7,223.77	11,995.08	309.49
Grants and donations										
Donations to BYM	9,180	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	600.00	4,080.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
Donations to other Quaker bodies	1,000	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Donations to non-Quaker bodies	1,522	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	220.00	549.80	550.00	0.00	0.00
Grants to individuals	190	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	40.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals	11,892	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	860.00	4,629.80	550.00	0.00	1,500.00
Depreciation of Land and buildings										
Asset initial cost or last valuation	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Additions	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Disposals	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Revaluations	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Balance carried forward	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Accumulated depreciation	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Depreciation for this year	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Depreciation carried forward	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net book value at start of year	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net book value at end of year	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Investment Assets										
Analysis of changes during the year										
Market value at beginning of year	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Add: additions to investments at cost	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Less: carrying value of investments sold	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net gain/(loss) on revaluation	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total market value at end of year	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Analysis by type of investment										
Investment property	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Stock exchange investments	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Unit trusts or similar	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Securities not listed on stock exchange	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash held in an investment portfolio	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other investments	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total market value at end of year	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Acting as Agent	Income									
Contributions to AM from individuals	0	0.00				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Contributions to BYM from individuals	120	0.00				0.00	0.00	0.00	120.00	0.00
Collections for Quaker bodies	0	0.00				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Collections for non-Quaker bodies	5,365	0.00				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other money to pass on to others	1,640	0.00				0.00	1,640.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals	7,125	0.00				0.00	1,640.00	0.00	120.00	0.00

Utttoxeter & Burton	Wolverhampton
2,579.05	8,859.30
1,816.47	15,968.50
44.47	291.21
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1,514.96	10.00
5,954.95	25,129.01
0.00	0.00
6,060.15	4,238.99
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(105.20)	11,236.94
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Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) - Staffordshire Area Meeting
Restricted funds

Year ending 31 December 2023

	Totals	property	relief in need	QSMT		Leek			Stone
Income and endowments from:									
Donations and legacies	6,613	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other trading activities	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Investments	4,154	4,154.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Charitable activities	3,250	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other income	7,172	0.00	0.00	7,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total income and endowments	21,190	4,154.20	0.00	7,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenditure on:									
Raising funds	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Charitable activities	10,006	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	42.01
Support costs (with any depreciation)	45	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other expenditure	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total expenditure	10,051	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	42.01
Net income before transfers	11,139	4,154.20	0.00	7,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(42.01)
Net transfers to/from other funds & Meetings	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net income after transfers	11,139	4,154.20	0.00	7,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(42.01)
Gains (losses) on investments	796	796.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total funds brought forward, 1 Jan	225,732	210,496.55	12,243.01	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	42.01
Total funds carried forward, 31 Dec	237,668	215,446.92	12,243.01	7,100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Statement of Assets and Liabilities									
Fixed assets									
Land and buildings	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fixtures and fittings	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Long term investments	165,619	165,619.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total fixed assets	165,619	165,619.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Current assets									
Deposit a/c	68,071	49,827.75	12,243.01	6,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Current a/c and cash in hand	3,978	0.00	0.00	1,100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total current assets	72,048	49,827.75	12,243.01	7,100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net assets	237,668	215,446.92	12,243.01	7,100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Balance errors	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Paid employees									
Staff wages and salaries	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Employer's tax and NI contributions	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Employer's pension contributions	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Trustees and examiners									
Refund of expenses to trustees	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Independent examiner costs	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Support costs									
Amount allocated to Quaker activities	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Amount allocated to Generating funds	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Grants and donations									
Donations to BYM	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Donations to other Quaker bodies	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Donations to non-Quaker bodies	1,482	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	42.01
Grants to individuals	1,054	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals	2,536	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	42.01
Depreciation of Land and buildings									
Asset initial cost or last valuation	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Additions	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Disposals	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Revaluations	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Balance carried forward	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Accumulated depreciation	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Depreciation for this year	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Depreciation carried forward	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net book value at start of year	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net book value at end of year	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Investment Assets									
Analysis of changes during the year									
Market value at beginning of year	164,823	164,823.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Add: additions to investments at cost	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Less: carrying value of investments sold	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net gain/(loss) on revaluation	796	796.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total market value at end of year	165,619	165,619.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Analysis by type of investment									
Investment property	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Stock exchange investments	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Unit trusts or similar	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Securities not listed on stock exchange	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash held in an investment portfolio	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other investments	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total market value at end of year	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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	Totals									
Income and endowments from:										
Donations and legacies	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other trading activities	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Investments	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Charitable activities	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other income	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total income and endowments	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenditure on:										
Raising funds	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Charitable activities	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Support costs (with any depreciation)	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other expenditure	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total expenditure	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net income before transfers	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net transfers to/from other funds & Meetings	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net income after transfers	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gains (losses) on investments	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total funds brought forward, 1 Jan	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total funds carried forward, 31 Dec	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Statement of Assets and Liabilities										
Fixed assets										
Land and buildings	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fixtures and fittings	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Long term investments	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total fixed assets	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Current assets										
Deposit a/c	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Current a/c and cash in hand	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total current assets	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net assets	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Balance errors	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Paid employees										
Staff wages and salaries	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Employer's tax and NI contributions	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Employer's pension contributions	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Trustees and examiners										
Refund of expenses to trustees	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Independent examiner costs	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Support costs										
Amount allocated to Quaker activities	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Amount allocated to Generating funds	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Grants and donations										
Donations to BYM	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Donations to other Quaker bodies	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Donations to non-Quaker bodies	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Grants to individuals	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Depreciation of Land and buildings										
Asset initial cost or last valuation	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Additions	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Disposals	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Revaluations	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Balance carried forward	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Accumulated depreciation	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Depreciation for this year	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Depreciation carried forward	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net book value at start of year	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net book value at end of year	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Investment Assets										
Analysis of changes during the year										
Market value at beginning of year	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Add: additions to investments at cost	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Less: carrying value of investments sold	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net gain/(loss) on revaluation	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total market value at end of year	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Analysis by type of investment										
Investment property	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Stock exchange investments	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Unit trusts or similar	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Securities not listed on stock exchange	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash held in an investment portfolio	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other investments	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total market value at end of year	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) - Staffordshire Area Meeting
Annual report and accounts for the year ending 31 December 2023

Report of the independent examiner

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees / members of Staffordshire Area Quaker Meeting, charity number 1192134 on accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023 set out on pages 4 - 10 below.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ('the Trust') for the year ended 31 December .

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as requiring independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

Name:

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body (if any):**

Address:



Section B Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.



Statement of Financial Activities	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	2023
Income and endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	45,559	6,613	0	52,173
Other trading activities	34,948	0	0	34,948
Investments	433	4,154	0	4,587
Charitable activities	0	3,250	0	3,250
Other income	5,384	7,172	0	12,556
Total income and endowments	86,324	21,190	0	107,513
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	17	0	0	17
Charitable activities	44,661	10,006	0	54,666
Support costs (with any depreciation)	10,398	45	0	10,443
Other expenditure	2,500	0	0	2,500
Total expenditure	57,576	10,051	0	67,627
Net income before transfers	28,748	11,139	0	39,887
Net transfers to/from other funds & Meetings	369	0	0	369
Net income after transfers	29,117	11,139	0	40,256
Gains (losses) on investments	0	796	0	796
Net movement in funds	29,117	11,935	0	41,052
Total funds brought forward, 1 Jan	94,830	225,732	0	320,563
Prior year adjustment				
Total funds carried forward, 31 Dec	123,947	237,668	0	361,615

Statement of Assets and Liabilities	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	2023
Fixed assets				
Land and buildings	0	0	0	0
Fixtures and fittings	0	0	0	0
Long term investments	0	165,619	0	165,619
Total fixed assets	0	165,619	0	165,619
Current assets				
Deposit a/c	57,451	68,071	0	125,521
Current a/c and cash in hand	66,497	3,978	0	70,474
Cash in hand or cash float	0	0	0	0
Total current assets	123,947	72,048	0	195,996

Analysis of Funds	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	2023
general	20,731			20,731
reserve	3,194			3,194
education	2,274			2,274
QPC	1,947			1,947
Leek	14,446			14,446
Lichfield	11,620			11,620
Stafford	14,330			14,330
Stoke	7,513			7,513
Stone	6,077			6,077
Uttoxeter & Burton	7,915			7,915
Wolverhampton	33,900			33,900
property		215,447		215,447
relief in need		12,243		12,243
QSMT		7,100		7,100
		0		0
Leek		100		100
Lichfield		0		0
Stafford		0		0
Stoke		0		0
Stone		0		0
Uttoxeter & Burton		0		0
Wolverhampton		2,778		2,778
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			0	0
Leek			0	0
Lichfield			0	0
Stafford			0	0
Stoke			0	0
Stone			0	0
Uttoxeter & Burton			0	0
Wolverhampton			0	0
Totals for all funds	123,947	237,668	0	361,615

Signed by one or two of the trustees
on behalf of all the trustees

Date of approval

Signature

Name

Signature

Name

Notes to the accounts

1 - Accounting policies

Basis of accounting - The accounts have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis as per 133 of the Charities Act 2011.

Income and expenditure - Contributions, grants, legacies, interest, dividends, and rents are all treated in the year in which they are received.

Acting as Agent - Further sums are collected specifically for passing on to other bodies, and so they are not included in the SOFA or balance sheet, but they are summed in the accounts.

Land and buildings - The properties owned by the Area Meeting comprise Meeting Houses and war-time accommodation which are held for the furtherance of the Area Meeting's charitable objects.

The contents of the Meeting Houses are written off at purchase and therefore only the current insured value is shown in these accounts.

Reserves - The Trustees have agreed a policy on reserves.

Investments - There are investments managed by Rathbone Greenbank with dividends paid into the Area Meeting's funds.

Pensions - The Area Meeting pays contributions to personal pensions for those employees who are covered by the Area Meeting's pension scheme (see note 4).

Local Meetings - In accordance with the latest guidance from the Charity Commission and the Quaker Committee the unrestricted funds of Local Meetings are shown here as designated funds of the Area Meeting.

2 - Support costs	2023	2022
Total support costs	114,375	81,988
Quaker activities before support costs	(49,265)	(20,031)
Support costs allocated to Q. activities 91%	103,931	56,812
Quaker activities with support costs	54,666	36,781
Generating funds before support costs	17	15
Support costs allocated to generating funds 0%	0	0
Generating Funds with support costs	17	15

The support costs mostly cover the costs of running the Meeting Houses. They are allocated between Quaker activities and Generating funds according to the approximate usage of the buildings by Quakers and the hiring rooms.

3 - Trustees and examiners	2023	2022
Refund of expenses to trustees	0	0
Independent examiner costs	0	1,182
Total	0	1,182

4 - Paid employees	2023	2022
Staff wages and salaries	8,389	8,986
Employer's tax and NI contributions	0	0
Employer's pension contributions	509	470
Total	8,898	9,456

There are no employees with emoluments over £60,000 per year.

5 - Grants and donations	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	2023
Donations to BYM	9,180	0	0	9,180
Donations to other Quaker bodies	1,000	0	0	1,000
Donations to non-Quaker bodies	1,522	1,482	0	3,004
Grants to individuals	190	1,054	0	1,244
Grants to individuals (education)	0	0	0	0
Grants to individuals (other)	0	0	0	0
Totals	11,892	2,536	0	14,428

6a - Insured value of properties	Land and buildings	Contents	Date of valuation
FMH, Overton Bank, Leek ST13 5ES	911,060	0	
FMH, 67-68 Foregate Street, Stafford ST16 2PX	778,492	0	
FMH, Miller Street, Newcastle-under-Lyme ST5 1QJ	883,369	0	
FMH, 39 Carter Street, Uttoxeter ST14 8EY	456,199	0	
FMH, 8B Summerfield Road, Wolverhampton WV1 4PR	1,586,992	0	
Totals	4,616,112	0	

6b - Depreciation of land & buildings	2023	2022
Asset initial cost or last valuation	0	0
Additions	0	0
Disposals	0	0
Revaluations	0	0
Balance carried forward	0	0
Accumulated depreciation	0	0
Depreciation for this year	0	0
Depreciation carried forward	0	0
Net book value at start of year	0	0
Net book value at end of year	0	0

7 - Investment Assets	Totals
Analysis of changes during the year	
Market value at beginning of year	164,823
Add: additions to investments at cost	0
Less: carrying value of investments sold	0
Net gain/(loss) on revaluation	796
Total market value at end of year	165,619
Analysis by type of investment	
Investment property	0
Stock exchange investments	0
Unit trusts or similar	0
Securities not listed on stock exchange	0
Cash held in an investment portfolio	0
Other investments	0
Total market value at end of year	0

9a - Designated, Restricted and Endowment Funds

Unrestricted funds are freely available for any purpose of the Area Meeting. **Designated funds** are funds which are set aside for specific purposes, but remain at the discretion of the Area Meeting.

Restricted funds have been earmarked by the donor or testator for certain specific purposes.

Endowment funds must have their capital preserved, but the income can be used for the purposes specified by the donor or testator.

AM Designated funds - The funds managed by the Local Meetings are primarily for the expenses of the Area Meeting. They may also be used for the centrally-managed work of the Society of Friends, or other purposes of the Area Meeting. In addition, AM has the following three designated funds:

Reserves Fund to maintain the running of the Area Meeting for approximately 9 months, in the absence of the Area Meeting; Quaker Prison Chaplains Fund primarily to support the training of Prison Chaplains, and their attendance at conferences.

An Education Fund to finance course attendance at Woodbrooke Quaker Centre and elsewhere.

AM Restricted funds -

Stone and Wolverhampton Local Meetings, as constituent Meetings within the AM, have restricted funds to contribute to non-Quaker causes. Leek Local Meeting has a restricted fund for the maintenance of House grounds.

AM Endowment funds - Neither the Staffordshire Area Quaker Meeting nor any of its constituent Local Meetings have endowment funds.

Transfers - An annual transfer takes place from each Local Meeting to the Area Meeting in order to fund the Area Meeting's expenditure.

9b - Movement of the funds	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers
Unrestricted funds				
general	11,061	17,193	4,479	(3,044)
reserve	3,194	0	0	0
education	2,274	0	0	0
QPC	1,947	0	0	0
Leek	12,197	6,173	3,715	(209)
Lichfield	10,296	7,745	5,866	(556)
Stafford	12,176	10,206	7,774	(278)
Stoke	8,570	11,358	12,206	(209)
Stone	7,305	2,565	3,584	(209)
Uttoxeter & Burton	2,520	5,955	6,060	5,500
Wolverhampton	23,289	25,129	13,892	(626)
Totals for unrestricted funds	94,830	86,324	57,576	369
Restricted funds				
property	210,497	4,154	0	0
relief in need	12,243	0	0	0
QSMT	0	7,100	0	0
	0	0	0	0
Leek	100	0	0	0
Lichfield	0	0	0	0
Stafford	0	0	0	0
Stoke	0	0	0	0
Stone	42	0	42	0
Uttoxeter & Burton	0	0	0	0
Wolverhampton	2,851	9,936	10,009	0
Totals for restricted funds	225,732	21,190	10,051	0
Endowment funds				
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Leek	0	0	0	0
Lichfield	0	0	0	0
Stafford	0	0	0	0
Stoke	0	0	0	0
Stone	0	0	0	0
Uttoxeter & Burton	0	0	0	0
Wolverhampton	0	0	0	0
Totals for endowment funds	0	0	0	0
Totals for all funds	320,563	107,513	67,627	369

10 - Acting as Agent	Income	
Receipts to pass on to other bodies	2023	2022
Contributions to AM from individuals	0	0
Contributions to BYM from individuals	120	120
Collections for Quaker bodies	0	170
Collections for non-Quaker bodies	5,365	1,220
Special collections	0	0
Other money to pass on to others	1,640	0
Totals	7,125	1,510

11 - Legal and administrative information

Constitution and purpose

The Area Meeting is a charity established for the advancement of religion and other charitable purpose bear witness to, the principles and practices of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers). The principal public meetings for worship in the constituent Local Meetings of Leek, Lichfield, Stafford, Stoke, Stone, Wolverhampton.

The affairs of the Area Meeting are governed by "Quaker Faith and Practice", the Book of Discipline of The Area Meeting has a Governing Document dated 18-10-2020. It is registered with the Charity Commission 1192134. The Members of the Area Meeting are all those persons whose names are, for the time being, on the register. The Managing Trustees are those appointed as such by the Area Meeting in session. The AM also appoints two members to serve on Meeting for Sufferings, which is a representative conference of Trustees for the centrally managed work of Britain Yearly Meeting.

Address for Correspondence

The Area Meeting Clerk, (vacancy - please correspond with James Went, address below)

Meeting House Addresses

Friends' Meeting House, Overton Bank, LEEK ST13 5ES
Friends' Meeting House, 67-68 Foregate Street, STAFFORD ST16 2PX
Friends' Meeting House, Miller Street, NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYME ST5 1QJ
Friends' Meeting House, 39 Carter Street, UTTOXETER ST14 8EY
Friends' Meeting House, 8B Summerfield Road, WOLVERHAMPTON WV1 4PR

Managing Trustees

The managing trustees are appointed by the Area Meeting in session and the following persons served during the period covered by this report:

Richard Ashwell	Bryan Cleary	Berry Dicker	Peter Holland
Stephen Langford	Peter Moore	Nigel Peckett	

Officers who are currently serving, or have served during the period covered by this report:

Area Meeting Clerk:

Area Meeting Day-to-day Treasurer:

John Wharton, 22 Fotherley Road, Shenstone, LICHFIELD WS14 0NJ	01-01-2021 - present
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Area Meeting Collation Treasurer:

James Went, 2 Hill End, Moddershall, STONE, Staffordshire ST15 8TG	01-01-2023 - present
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Bankers

Reliance Bank Ltd., 23-24 Lovat Lane, LONDON EC3R 8EB	(Current account)
Triodos Bank, Deanery Road, BRISTOL BS1 5AS	(Deposit account)
Rathbones Greenbank, PO Box 1965, LIVERPOOL L69 3HU	(Investment)

Custodian Trustee

Friends Trusts Ltd., Friends House, 173 Euston Road, LONDON NW1 2BJ
Registered Charity 237698

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Guidance Messages, with action to be taken

Guidance messages in red should not be ignored. They are usually self-explanatory. If you can't get a message to clear, please ring 01785 814129 for assistance.

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Error(s) detected! The information pasted has accounting errors. Go back to the Accounting spreadsheet, click on the green 'Copy' tab and read the red message for guidance.

Please enter name of funds above each column The name of each AM fund (apart from the General Fund) needs to be entered at the top of each column, e.g. Reserve Fund, Property Fund, etc.

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Spreadsheet support messages (for the attention of the person maintaining the spreadsheet):

Please enter year Enter the financial year for which the spreadsheet will be used.

Please enter a prefix All figures entered, whether a year or a percentage, must be prefixed. Read Handout 2c for guidance.

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CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Client Name

STAFFORDSHIRE ARGA QUAKER MEETING

On accounts for the year
ended

DECEMBER 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1192134

Set out on pages

PAGES 1-2

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

31/12/2023

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- ☐ accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- ☐ the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

J.

Date:

29/1/24

Name:

JON PENROSE

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

IFA

Member 25431

Address:

20 FOOTERLEY RD, SHENSTONE, STAFFS, WS14 0NS



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the
trustees/directors/
members of**

Charity Name

LEEK

Quaker Meeting

**On accounts for the year
ended**

DECEMBER 2023

Charity no.:

1192134

Company no.:

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30/09/2023.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the Company (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited for this year under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act"). In carrying out my examination, I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act).

**Independent
examiner's statement**

[The company's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

MR SIMON DICKIN

22/3/24

Independent Examiner's Statement

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	CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES	Independent examiner's report on the accounts
Section A Independent Examiner's Report		
Report to the trustees/directors/ members of	Charity Name LICHFIELD LOCAL Quaker Meeting	
On accounts for the year ended	31 December 2023	
	Charity no.: 1192134	Company no.:
Set out on pages	(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)	
Responsibilities and basis of report	I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY. As the charity's trustees of the Company (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act"). Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited for this year under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act"). In carrying out my examination, I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act).	
Independent examiner's statement	[The company's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable. I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that: • accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or • the accounts do not accord with such records; or • the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or • the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).	

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees / members of Stafford Local Quaker Meeting
on accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023 set out on pages 4 - 9 below.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ('the Trust') for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

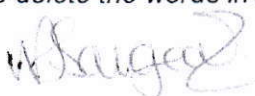
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:



Date:

29.2.2024

Name:

WENDY SARGENT

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body (if any):

Address:

MOUNT COOPER
STONE LANE
STONE BY-CHARLEY
STAFFORD
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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees / members of Stoke Local Quaker Meeting
on accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023 set out on pages 4 - 9 below.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ('the Trust') for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Date: 23 APRIL 2024

Name:

ANDREW RILEY

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body (if any):

A.C.A.

Address:

c/o A Wood & Co LLP
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BUNDELM
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ST6 1BW



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Stone Local Quaker Meeting, part of Staffordshire Area Quaker Meeting

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/12/2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

1192134

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/12/2023**.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's
statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

K. J. Johnson

Date:

5/14/24

Name:

KAROL JOHNSON

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

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Address:

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

UTTOXETER & BURTON 2024
Independent examiner's
report on the accounts 2023

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

STAFFORDSHIRE AREA MEETING

On accounts for the year
ended

DECEMBER 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1192134

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD/MM/YYYY.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation
of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act
2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out
under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I
have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission
under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have
come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with
the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material
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proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Hilda Mary Tideswell

Date:

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Name:

HILDA MARY TIDESWELL

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

Address:

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