

REPORT TO MFW. June 2019

The following are the main points from the Trustee Meeting held on 2.5.19 for the attention of MFW. Full Minutes are available for those who wish to see them.

1. We ask MFW Nominations Committee to search for a Trustee from Mid-Wales Area Meeting, for appointment from 01.01.2020.
2. We send our Minute 2019.11 to MFW for information and discussion

2019.11 Governance of MFW.

- a) *A meeting of AM clerks, and clerks of trustees with counterparts in MFW has been arranged for September 9 2019.*
 - b) *The first meeting of the newly constituted arrangements committee took place by phone conference on 1.05.19, and took forward arrangements for meetings in 2020 and 2021. Considering topics for discussion, we can see that there might be an opportunity to discuss at some point in the next few years, how we can simplify, or strategically interlink, rather than duplicate, the meetings with responsibility within Wales. We know that this is being discussed elsewhere within Quakers in Britain. We hope that this might be discussed when clerks in Wales meet in September.*
 - c) *Deborah Rowlands had a conversation with Paul Parker on post-Vibrancy plans and employment issues on 8 April, and has given a summary of the main points. We discussed how to retain the autonomous nature of Meeting of Friends of Wales, whilst recognising this body as an integral part of BYM. We agree to meet with Paul on July 12, in Shrewsbury. Deborah will make the necessary arrangements.*
3. **Employment matters.** We have been working on documentation and arrangements for the employment of our administrator to bring it in line with current requirements, and good practice drawing upon guidance from relevant departments at Friends House.
 4. **Annual report and accounts.** Agreed.
 5. **Budget.** Will be considered at our September Meeting. We await figures for the projected update of the website.
 6. **Policies and procedures.** We agreed to work with the standardised templates being developed by the Simpler Meetings Project Officer at Friends House, but we hope to work with the associated area meetings to agree a consistent approach.

Deborah Rowlands
Clerk