Yearly Meeting

Community Hub Role Outline

This volunteer role is subject to satisfactory safer recruitment checks including provision of 2 referees and safeguarding training.



Be part of the Team in the Community Hub at Yearly Meeting 2024!

The Hub will be a space for Friends – especially those attending BYM for the first time. Any Friends needing a place to go will be welcome there to re-group, meet with others, and have a chat. It is hoped that through conversations and meeting other people the Yearly Meeting will become less daunting. Visitors should be encouraged to talk, connect and join in any of the activities in the room. This is an invaluable service to enable those attending Yearly Meeting to have a positive experience.

Your role as a volunteer will be:

- To welcome and befriend as needed, creating a space where Friends can connect with those outside of their usual social group.
- To ensure that the community hub is a welcoming and inclusive space, where cliques do not develop.
- To respond to questions and offer support to those who are finding their experience at Yearly Meeting confusing.

The care of Friends, needing a listening ear, or support with issues and feelings which have arisen at Yearly Meeting usually falls to the Pastoral Care Team.

The care of under 18's usually falls to the Youth, Children, and Families team or the guardian. In a situation where anyone under 18 needs support, the Pastoral Care Coordinating Group will step in, with Pastoral Care Volunteers focus remaining on those aged 18 or over.

What we are looking for

- Individuals who can create and provide a welcoming and supportive space,
- The ability to notice people looking lost or alone and ensure a warm and attentive welcome
- Skilled and creative drawing people into conversations
- To refer Friends who are distressed to the Pastoral Care Team
- To be familiar with and adhere to the BYM Community Agreement and Safeguarding Guidelines

We are looking for Friends who will have the following backgrounds, skills or qualities:

- Welcoming, empathetic and unhurried
- Ability to use appropriate active listening skills
- Able to signpost Friends to appropriate services
- Respect and maintain healthy boundaries
- Some previous experience supporting a range of pastoral care needs as well as needs including those arising from, disability, access, mental health is desirable
- Willing and able to participate in training to support their role
- Willing, provide 2 referees and undertake safeguarding training

Commitment required:

You also need to be registered for Yearly Meeting 2024 Friday 26 July to Tuesday 30 July (Yearly Meeting 2024)