#### **Dear Friend**

#### Britain Yearly Meeting Sustainability Gathering 19-21 October 2018 The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick, Derbyshire

We look forward to meeting you at The Hayes. This confirms your booking.

Please read the information below carefully to help you plan for the conference.

# Programme

The full gathering programme is now available from the website at <u>http://www.quaker.org.uk/events/sustainability2018</u> This also contains a full list of workshops.

## What you need to do now – Workshops

We now need you to indicate your choice of workshops by completing the form at <a href="https://forms.quaker.org.uk/bymsg-workshops/">https://forms.quaker.org.uk/bymsg-workshops/</a>

You will have an opportunity to attend two workshops. Where possible we will accommodate you in your first two choices, but please also indicate a third, in case this proves impossible.

Please complete this form as soon as possible and at the latest by Thursday 4 October.

# What to bring with you

We plan to have a wall display about our experience of working to become a low carbon sustainable community. Please bring pictures and up to 100 words of text about your own actions or the activities of your meeting. Maximum size: A3.

There will be tables to display any literature, leaflets or other materials you wish to bring.

Do you enjoy taking pictures? Please do bring your camera and make sure you send us any pictures you take at the gathering.

There may be outdoor workshops and response groups, depending on the weather. If you would like to take part in one of these, please make sure you bring appropriate clothing and footwear.

On the Saturday evening there will be opportunities for music making and other shared activity. Please do bring a musical instrument if you can, and/or a poem or other short reading you might like to share.

#### Arrival

Registration will start at 16:00 and the conference starts with dinner at 18:45. The opening session will start at 20:00 – please make sure to arrive in good time for this even if you can't make Friday dinner.

On arrival, please come to the main reception, where we will register you and give you your room key.

If you have let us know that you will arrive later than 18:30 on Friday, we can ask The Hayes to keep dinner for you.

# Travel

Travel directions to the conference centre can be found at <u>http://www.cct.org.uk/contact-and-directions/the-hayes-directions.</u>

## Arriving at Derby Station

If you are planning to travel by train, we have arranged a coach between Derby Station and the Hayes as follows:

- Leaving Derby station at 17:15, arriving at Swanwick at about 18:00
- Leaving The Hayes at 14:00, arriving at Derby by 15:00 (although the journey to Derby should take 30 minutes, road works may slow the coach down)

To get the coach, from the station platforms, leave via the exit that is called **Way out** – **Pride Park / Car Park Zone 2**. You should have booked for the coach when you registered. If you did not, but would like to now, please let us know now so we can make sure we have sufficient capacity.

If you need a taxi, leave via the Main Exit.

## Arriving at Alfreton Station

If you intend to arrive at **Alfreton station**, you will need to pre-book a taxi. The station is around a 10 minute drive from the conference centre. The number for the local taxi company – Amber Taxis – is 01773 836100.

# Food

For environmental reasons, we provide an all-vegetarian menu for the weekend. If you have notified us of any further dietary requirements we will inform the kitchen staff.