

9 December 2020

Dear Friends,

We are pleased to attach our latest **Update**, after what has been a busy autumn for us. We hope you find the update informative and helpful - please do share with other Friends, and get in touch with news or enquiries via nfpb@gn.apc.org .

We are very grateful for the continuing support from Friends and for the interest in our activities. For the coming year we are very mindful that finances will have been affected by pandemic restrictions for many Quaker meetings. In the light of that, our **guideline figure for contributions** for 2021 remains at £9.00 per member. We are drawing on reserves in our current financial planning, but taking steps to build greater financial sustainability.

At our November meeting, members received as a working document a new **vision and strategy** paper, as outlined in the Update. How we implement this in the coming year is, of course, uncertain at this stage, but it will be helpful to have this framework of priorities. We remain committed to working alongside and in ways that complement other Quaker and wider peace-movement activities, and have valued the opportunities for doing this in new ways during the year.

It has been good to meet Friends in person in the first part of the year, and online at numerous opportunities throughout the last 9 months. We look forward to further contact, meeting one way or another, and to sharing information, resources and spaces for discussion, planning, reflection and witness.

*We have one further less formal online meeting planned for this year, taking place from **10am on 19th December**. Please contact nfpb@gn.apc.org if you would like to join us for this time for connection, discussion and reflection.*

In Friendship,



Phoebe Spence
Treasurer

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