

8 December 2022

Dear Friend,

### **Financial support**

We greatly appreciate the continuing support from Friends and for the interest you show in our activities. We are also very mindful that the finances of many Meetings will not have recovered fully from the effects of the pandemic.

In 2023, we are asking those Area Meetings in a position to do so to contribute £10 per Member as a guideline figure. This is an increase of £1 per Member, compared to previous years (we have suggested £9 per member since January 2019). NFPB's Trustees have decided to ask Friends for this larger financial contribution because we are now having to draw more heavily on our reserves in our current financial planning. Bank details for payments by bank transfer are given at the bottom of this letter.

We are to hoping to balance our income and expenditure and are always looking at ways to improve our financial sustainability. We very much rely on contributions from Area Meetings to fund our running costs and to use any additional funds we might raise for specific projects etc.

Some priorities for our work for the coming year include:

- Developing ways of meeting and working that enable wider participation.
- Continued collaboration with Quakers and non-Quakers in promoting awareness, understanding and action for peace.

***“Peace work for and by Quakers in the north of Britain”***

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- Making effective links between urgent issues of climate, and social and economic justice and peace.

As the year comes to and end, we have nearly completed the process of moving office; this had not been planned for and we are very grateful to Bolton Local Meeting for agreeing to make available a room at the Meeting House for our use.

Our new address is:

**NFPB, Quaker Meeting House, 50 Silverwell Street, Bolton BL1 1PP.**

Other contact details remain the same.

We look forward to meeting, supporting and working with Friends in the coming year.

In Friendship,

Deryck Hillas  
Treasurer

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**For bank transfers:**

Northern Friends Peace Board

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