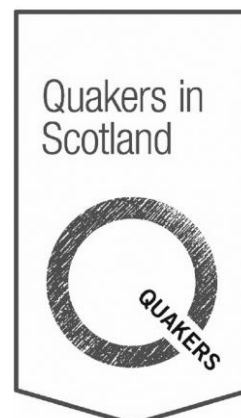


QUAKERS IN SCOTLAND

At a Meeting held Monday 15th December 2025, from 8 to 9 pm, by video conference.



Minutes

QiS 25/12/01 Assistant clerk

We appoint Pleasaunce Perry to serve as assistant clerk for this meeting.

QiS 25/12/02 Opening worship

During our opening worship our assistant clerk read the last two paragraphs of section 10.03 of *Quaker faith & practice*, on our shared experience of worship in our community.

QiS 25/12/03 Agenda

We adopt the agenda for this evening, following the order of the draft minutes.

QiS 25/12/04 Welcome to all present

We welcome all Friends who are with us today. We record the attendance, during this meeting this evening, of 53 Friends, all members. Attendance by (former and present) area meetings was:

East Scotland	10
North Scotland	5
South East Scotland AM	13
West Scotland	<u>25</u>
Total	53

QiS 25/12/05 Membership changes

From information provided by Shetland Local Meeting and continued transfer of Friends' membership from General Meeting for Scotland to Quakers in Scotland since our meeting held 8th November 2025, we record the following membership changes:

DEATH

Phil Instone of Shetland Local Meeting, who died on 19th November 2025.

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS

Scotland to Quakers in Scotland

We record the following additional Friends who have transferred their membership to Quakers in Scotland:

(REDACTED)

TERMINATIONS

The following Friends are no longer traceable and we agree to terminate their membership:

(REDACTED)

QiS 25/12/06 Reporter to *Scottish Friend*

We thank Laura McMurtrie for agreeing to report on this meeting for the *Scottish Friend*.

QiS 25/12/07 Appointments and Nominations Committee Report

We agree that the incoming QiS clerk, Adwoa Burnley join Pleasaunce Perry to act as clerks for this item for the section on nominations from our Nominations Committee.

Further to minute QiS 25/11/21, Nominations Committee has brought us the following nominations, and Marilyn Higgins, convenor, has spoken to them:

QiS TRUSTEES:

Michael Hutchinson, to serve as Clerk of QiS Trustees from 1st January 2026 until 30th June 2026 (Glasgow Meeting).

Susan Mitchell, to serve as a Trustee from 1st January 2026 until 31st December 2026 (Dunblane Meeting).

Sue Walton, to serve as a Trustee from 1st January 2026 until 31st December 2028 (Forres Meeting).

Our Friends being willing, we appoint them accordingly.

WEST SCOTLAND AREA MEETING TRUSTEES

The QiS clerk informs us that the residual WSAM Trustees require to continue their work in laying down West Scotland AM as a charity into 2026, but the clerk's and another trustee's term of service end at 31st December 2025. Other trustees' terms of service continue.

We re-appoint Tony Ellis as clerk of WSAM Trustees and Gill Reid as a Trustee from 1st January 2026 until 30th June 2026, or until the charity is dissolved.

QIS 25/12/08 Correspondence

a) On the 9th December 2025, Lucy le Roux, our Parliamentary Engagement Officer, arranged a signature of the clerk on a joint letter to the First Minister, John Swinney, urging the Scottish Government to sign the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty. This letter was co-ordinated through Global Justice Now.

b) On the 12th December, the clerk authorised Lucy le Roux, our Parliamentary Engagement Officer, to sign a joint letter, in the name of Quakers in Scotland, to Gillian Martin MSP, Scottish Government Cabinet Secretary for Climate Action and Energy. The letter was authored by the Scotland International Development Alliance (SIDA) and is concerned with the right development of the Circular Economy.

QIS 25/12/09 Concluding minute

There being no further business to bring before Quakers in Scotland, we conclude our business, intending to meet next online on Saturday 7th February from 09:30 - 13:30, followed by a hybrid meeting on Saturday 28th February in Perth and by video conference. We ended our meeting, after time for any questions, with an extended 'meeting for worship for leaving', in which Friends left when they felt right.

Michael J. Hutchinson,
Clerk

Pleasaunce Perry,
Assistant Clerk this time