

Marriage and Long-term relationships.

An open meeting of Leeds Area Quaker Meeting Elders and Overseers.

Sunday 19th November 1.30 pm

at Carlton Hill QMH, 188 Woodhouse Lane, LS2 9DX

During the last couple of years we have held several Meetings for Worship for the celebration of Marriage. During preparation for one of these the couple told us that they would of course expect the worshipping community, who witnessed their marriage, to uphold them as they went forward in their relationship. This led me to wonder how, as a Quaker community, we do in fact uphold the various marriages and relationships represented in our Meetings.

Do we feel that personal relationships are a private matter? Are there ways in which sharing our experiences may help other people? Have we experienced the support of Friends in our Meetings, and how has that happened?

Whether you're just embarking on a life together, or have lived together for many years; whether you're in a same-sex or a heterosexual relationship; whether you've gone through separation, divorce, or bereavement, or whether you are concerned with the emotional and spiritual needs of people in your Meeting (all of us?)

YOU ARE WARMLY INVITED TO TAKE PART IN THIS TIME OF REFLECTION AND SHARING.