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BORROWING THE QUAKER SERVICE EXHIBITION

These notes are intended to serve as a brief introduction to borrowing the Quaker service exhibition. We can provide additional information by email, post and over the 'phone.

- (a) The exhibition consists of 12 banners which fold into their stands, and can be carried easily in the boot of a small car. They stand 2 m. high and 85 cms wide, and can be arranged to fit the display space available. There is a storage bin if needed.
- (b) Enquiries and bookings are through the Quaker Service Memorial Trust, and are confirmed on receipt of £35 to cover wear and tear – the banners are liable to damage and will be replaced if necessary. We will let you have a booking form by post or email.
- (c) Display sets are held in London, Bristol, Staffordshire, Manchester, Doncaster, Cambridge and Edinburgh: arrangements for collection and delivery are made with the wardens by borrowers once bookings are confirmed.
- (d) The exhibition itself is not insured (not worth the cost), but borrowers should check the display venue's public liability cover. It is hard to see what damage the stands could cause to anyone or anything, but the QSMT cannot accept liability. Most venues, including meeting houses through their Area Meetings, will have this insurance in place as a matter of routine. We will provide information about insurance arrangements.
- (e) The display has been produced by staff at Manchester University, to a high professional standard: it can be shown in public venues such as libraries, civic centres, or galleries, as well as Quaker meeting houses. It can easily take an hour to view, so seating should be available. Having stewards in attendance can be an advantage, but is not necessary. Supporting leaflets and FAQ sheets are supplied. A specimen press release (tried and tested) for local media is available.
- (f) Its content covers Quaker service since the Irish famine up to the present, with a focus on the Friends Ambulance Unit and Friends Relief Service during and after WW2. We hope that the sections on work with Displaced Persons will prompt reflection of the situation of asylum seekers today. There are also banners which relate to WW1, but they have not been specifically designed for 'centenary' use.

We welcome enquiries by phone or e-mail to the addresses below.

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