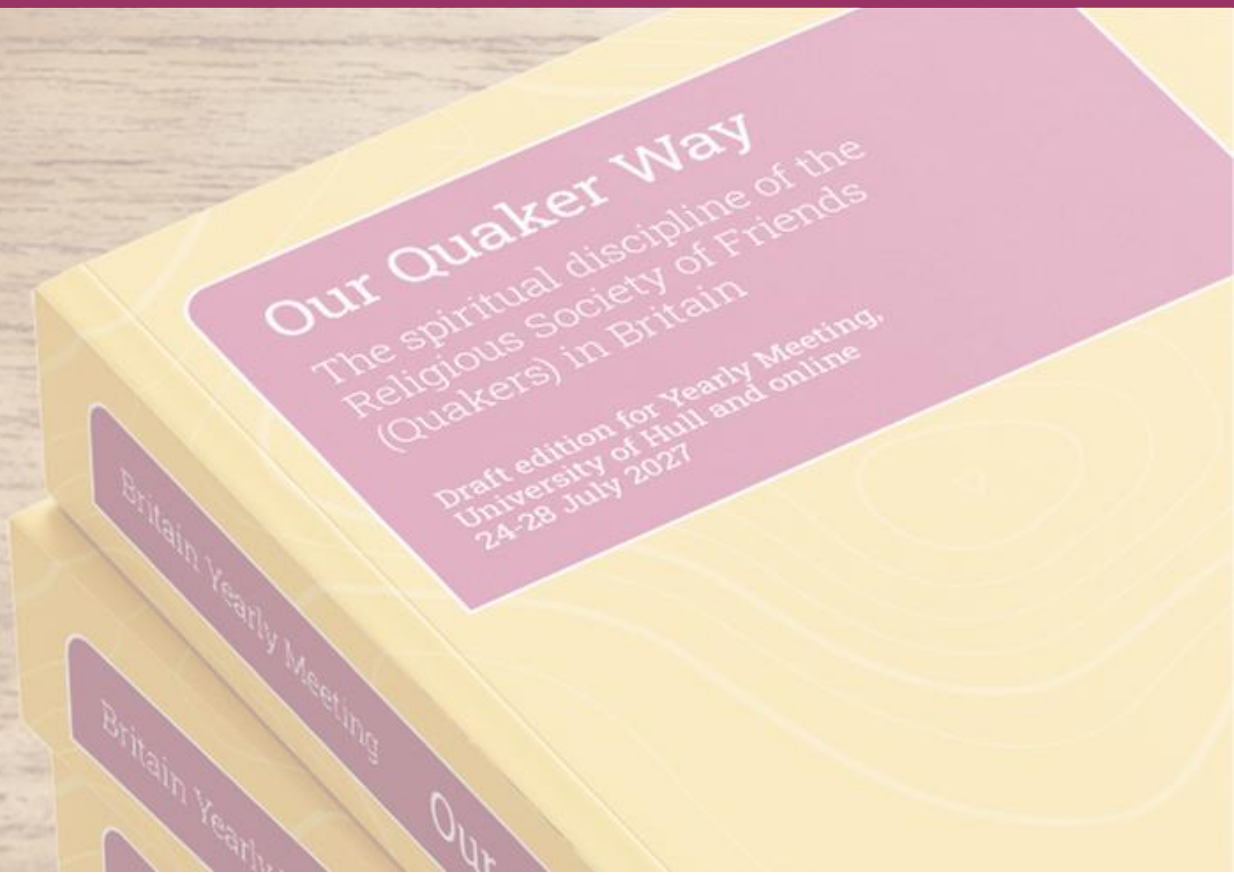
Book of Discipline Revision Committee
YM 2026 November session

Launch of *Our Quaker Way*:
the spiritual discipline of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in Britain



BDRC timeline: 2026–2030

21 November 2026

Launch of *Our Quaker Way* and *Read, Reflect, Respond*

November 2026 – June 2027

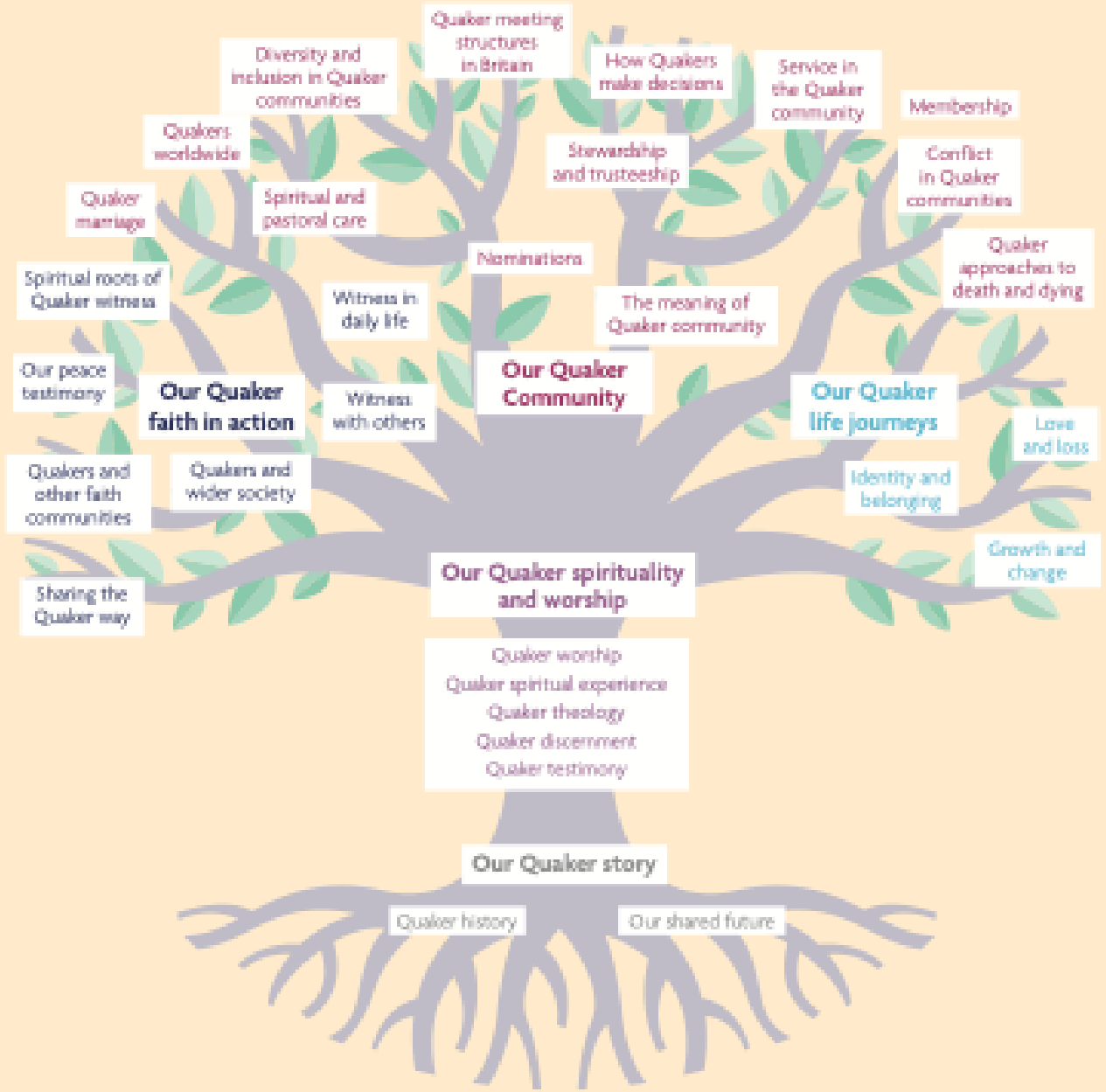
Responses received by end of May 2027 will be particularly helpful!

YMG 24-28 July 2027

Whole community discernment at a hybrid / residential gathering for all ages

2028–2030

- BYM minutes inform continuing work to revise the text
- Development of additional content and alternative formats
- Final draft in 2029 for adoption at yearly meeting in 2030


Quaker meeting structures in Britain
Diversity and inclusion in Quaker communities
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Spiritual roots of Quaker witness
Witness in daily life
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Our Quaker Way

November 2026

First draft of *Our Quaker Way* available on 21 November 26

- Available for purchase or free online
- Two print copies sent to every local meeting
- Online version includes additional material:
  - Part G: non-text material
  - Glossary
  - Index
- Audio versions of chapters 3, 7, 21, 26, 29 & 30 also available

read online or order a copy at:

www.quaker.org.uk/newbook

Read. Reflect. Respond.

November 2026 – June 2027

- “Read, reflect and respond” programme live
- Resources available from www.woodbrooke.org.uk/rrr
- We’re asking you to:
  - Read the draft (or some part of it)
  - Reflect with friends
  - Respond in ways that will contribute to our discernment

Your considered responses can help the yearly meeting to understand what is needed to create the book of discipline

Online response form access via: www.woodbrooke.org.uk/rrr

Read

There will be a range of resources to help individual Friends, meetings and other groups to join in a shared reading programme to explore *Our Quaker Way*.

We hope that many Friends will read the whole draft cover-to-cover. We recognise not everyone may be able to do so, and there are resources available to support people to read sections from different parts of the book to get a flavour of the draft and of how it differs from Quaker faith & practice.

What you can do:

- Make time to read as much as you can of the book
- Explore opportunities to join with other friends for a shared reading experience
- Listen to the audio versions that are available

Reflect

There are a host of resources available to support you to reflect on the text:

- online materials for self-reflection or groups
- online events and courses
- in-person events
- support from local development workers
- Woodbrooke Where You Are opportunities

What you can do:

- Look out for information about the programme and resources arriving to your meeting
- Discuss with other Quakers how you might reflect together
- Invite a member of BDRC to visit your meeting – we'll come if we can!

Read. Reflect. Respond.
December 2026–June 2027

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Respond

You will be able to send your responses to Our Quaker Way via the Woodbrooke website from the rise of Yearly Meeting 21 November 2026.

We hope you will share minutes from your local or area meeting, but it will also be possible to offer individual responses.

There will be some set questions and the opportunity for some longer answers.

What you can do:

- It will be useful for the yearly meeting to receive your responses to the ‘whole thing’
- Please be as brief as you can! We anticipate having a lot of reading to do…
- If you need to send responses in a different way, get in touch newbook@quaker.org.uk

BDRC timeline: key dates

Yearly Meeting Gathering

There will be a hybrid / in-person Yearly Meeting Gathering
24-28 July 2027 in **Hull.**

This will be an opportunity to join together for community discernment to explore what is needed to create the final version of the new book of discipline.

We will share more information about the responses received and find out what further work is required.

We hope many Quakers will be able to join us there – joining in-person or online.

More information about booking will be available in early 2027

www.quaker.org.uk/ym

Finding *Our Quaker Way*

Follow us on our BYM website page:

www.quaker.org.uk/rqfp and

www.quaker.org.uk/newbook

Follow us on social media:

- Facebook page: *Our Quaker Way* www.facebook.com/ourquakerway
- Instagram: www.instagram.com/our_quaker_way

You can contact BDRC committee secretary, Michael Booth, by emailing newbook@quaker.org.uk or write to him at Friends House, London

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