London Link Group annual report for 2016

London Link group had an better year in 2016. Although we are still working to bolster the committee, we were able to add two unique events by collaborating with two other Quaker organisations; The Leaveners and QHA.

Attendance at committee meetings has been low, with just 3 members at the last meeting of 2016. We are going to trial using teleconferencing for a future meeting and chase AMs for reps. We also have several secondment positions open that we are trying to fill.

The Muswell Hill event was previously planned to be a completely different event until the original organiser was taken ill a week before. Not wanting to cancel this event we managed to call in a few favours and setup a new event. In this mini crisis we found that; we have the skills and goodwill to be able to fix up an event at short notice and we have 3 great new volunteers for London link, all of whom are willing and able to run events in the future.

London Link Group Committee has met 3 times in 2016 and has organised the following events:

Event name	Young people (volunteers)	When	
Winterval	20 (5)	January	
Littlehampton II	17 (6)	March	
Leaveners Animated voices	9 (4)	May	
Muswell Hill II	24 (5)	October	
QHA helping day	10 + 10 parents (3)	December	

Reports of each event can be found at http://londonlinkgroup.org.uk/2016/. We encourage Friends at local meetings to include reports in newsletters and other publications.

Other facts and figures

	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
	2010	2013	2017	2015	2012
Attendance (total of YP at each event)	80	65	88	133	115
Number of events		4	5	8	6
Members on private London Link Facebook group:	214	199	189	190	162
Mailing list subscribers	324	271	245	223	171
Volunteers mailing list subscribers	65	47	45	42	37
Visits to website	8,840	11,111	10,222	>100 0*	938

^{*}estimate due to large number of bots causing falsepositives

We would like to thank all the volunteers, young people and supporters of London Link Group.