Senior Conference Boundaries

Inclusiveness

As Quakers, we believe in the equality of everyone and it is important that we attempt to get on well with one other to build a sense of community. No one should feel excluded or isolated because of race, age, gender, ability, sexuality, culture or class. At Senior Conference we want everyone to feel safe and comfortable so please think carefully about the words you use, jokes you tell, and so on. Inclusion does not mean you have to be friends with everyone all the time. It does mean being prepared to recognise and value the different backgrounds and experiences people bring to the event.

Health and Safety

All participants must observe the health and safety rules that apply to the site, including any off-limit areas. You should not need to leave the site during the conference. If it should be necessary, permission of the co-ordinators is needed. Sibford School is a public right of way, and other people will be on site during our stay. Please be considerate towards their needs and feelings. If anyone makes you feel uncomfortable, contact a 22+ immediately: do not challenge them.

Participation

Conferees are expected to attend all the events and sessions shown on the timetable up to and including Epilogue. Swimming and breakfast are optional. We acknowledge, however, that some conferees will feel less able to participate in some sessions. If you are concerned you may be unable to take part in anything – e.g. if dancing or sport is difficult please make this known to the Coordinators.

Smoking, Drugs and Alcohol

You will not be allowed to smoke if you do not say that you are a smoker on your medical form, even if you are 18. Smoking will be restricted to a specific area. It is against the law to smoke on the school site. Please put butts in the bins provided and leave the area as soon as you have finished your cigarette.

Alcohol and other drugs are not allowed during Conference.

Sexual Activity

There should be no sexual activity. Members of the opposite sex are not allowed in others' dorms and should only visit the common rooms of the sleeping blocks by invitation.

Quiet and lights out

All participants must be in bed by 23:45. The lock-up teams will be responsible for quiet and lights out by 00:00. On the last night, an area will be available for participants to stay up all night, which will be organised at the discretion of the 22+ team.

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