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Quaker faith in action



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Dear Friends,

A friend from outside my meeting came with me recently to an Area Meeting Gathering that was dealing with a tricky subject. I worried that the pace was painfully slow for him as all voices were given room to be heard. But, as we left, he said thoughtfully, "That felt like a space with real liberatory potential." After a Yearly Meeting chewing over the subject of productive conflict, was this evidence perhaps that we can actually be quite good at it? Hope so.

If you're holding space for people to come together, this month we have resources to share on the National Emergency Briefing; reflections on peace from Corrymeela; stories of hope from the national Million Acts of Hope campaign; and reflections on what love requires of us in the climate crisis.

We are also excited to announce some [new funding to support Quaker witness!](#) You can find information on our website and [print a poster for your Meeting House](#) to make others aware.

In Friendship,

Ailish
Faith in Action Coordinator

Act

Stop Moog arming conflict

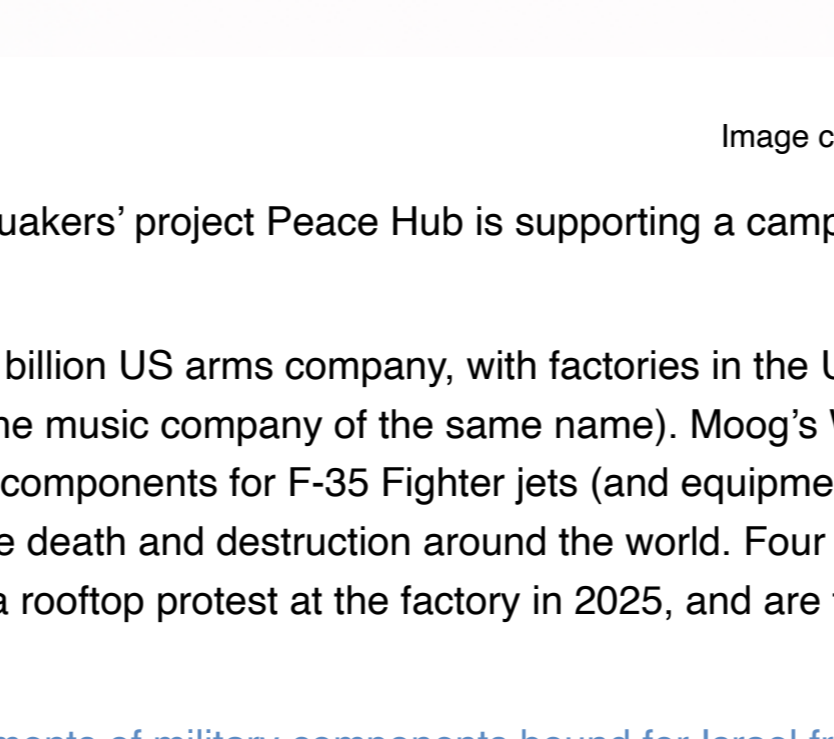


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Central England Quakers' project Peace Hub is supporting a campaign against Moog Inc.

Moog Inc. is a \$10 billion US arms company, with factories in the UK (and should not be confused with the music company of the same name). Moog's Wolverhampton factory makes key components for F-35 Fighter jets (and equipment to train the pilots), which cause death and destruction around the world. Four peaceful protestors staged a rooftop protest at the factory in 2025, and are facing a criminal trial in June.

Recently, [two shipments of military components bound for Israel from the UK, one of which was from Moog Wolverhampton, were seized in Belgium](#), a country with strict laws on the transhipment of military items through its ports. With a criminal investigation underway, now is a good time to call for more transparency and better control of war-machines made in the UK.

Find out more about Moog, and how you can take action by writing to MPs at <https://peacehub.org.uk/moog>

Reflect

Reflections on peace from Corrymeela's Paul Hutchinson

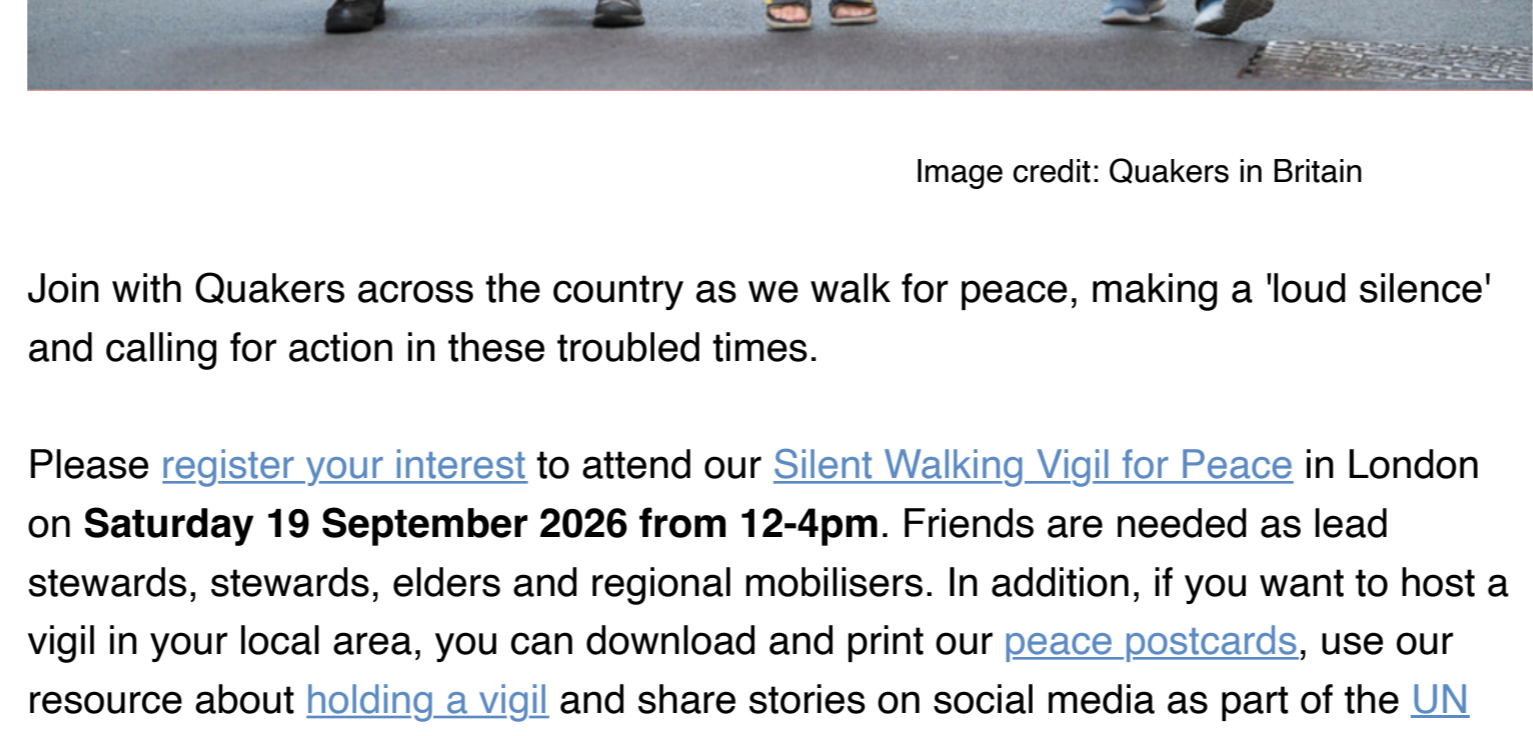


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Join with Quakers across the country as we walk for peace, making a 'loud silence' and calling for action in these troubled times.

Please [register your interest](#) to attend our [Silent Walking Vigil for Peace](#) in London on **Saturday 19 September 2026 from 12-4pm**. Friends are needed as lead stewards, stewards, elders and regional mobilisers. In addition, if you want to host a vigil in your local area, you can download and print our [peace postcards](#), use our resource about [holding a vigil](#) and share stories on social media as part of the [UN International Day of Peace](#).

Anyone wanting to get more involved is welcome to attend online Meetings for Worship on the first Monday of every month to uphold the project (the next one is Monday 8 June). Please email filias@quaker.org.uk to register. Spread the word by [downloading and printing](#) the flyer for your meeting house and sharing in your notices.

Love around the table: responding to food insecurity

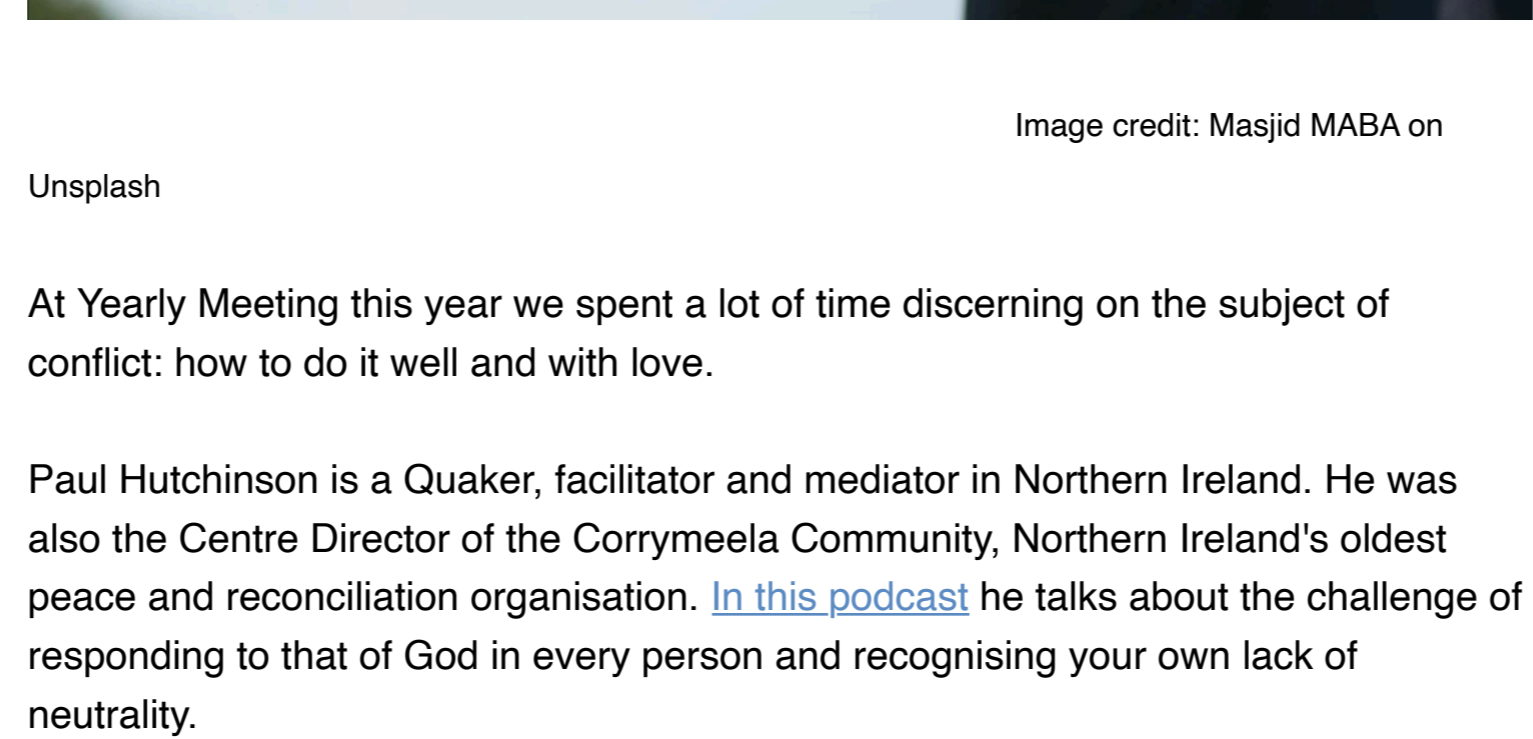


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Tanya Jones, Climate Justice Lead for Quakers in Britain, [reviews the facts about food insecurity in this new blog](#). She asks what love requires of us in the midst of the climate crisis and a crisis of justice.

The blog is partly inspired by the National Emergency Briefing film. You can find resources to help you with a screening later in the newsletter.

Learn

National Emergency Briefing resources

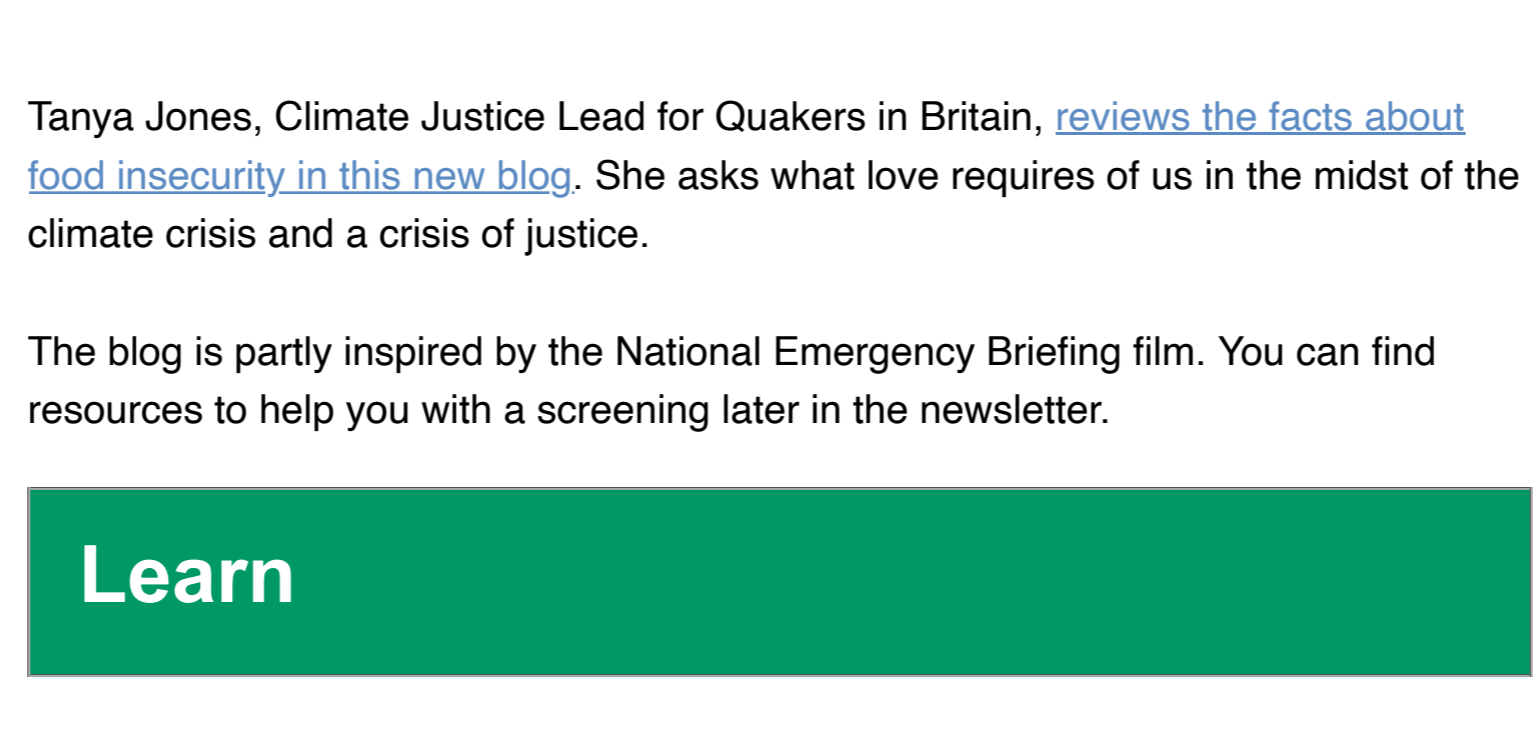


Image credit: National Emergency Briefing

The [National Emergency Briefing](#) in Westminster last November was an opportunity for MPs and other decision-makers to hear from leading experts about the impacts of the climate and nature crisis on health, food, national security and the economy.

Quakers shared learning last week about screening the National Emergency Briefing film. Some spoke about the importance of planning well in advance to schedule a time that an MP could attend. Others spoke of the potential for the film to mobilise members of the community, and how building in follow-up plans was important in that regard.

If you're thinking of hosting a screening, there are some excellent [screening guides](#) out there to supplement the National Emergency Briefing's own helpful [screening guide](#). The Climate Psychology Alliance have written some great [guidance documents](#) and are [running zoom calls](#) for people preparing to run screenings. Green Christian have a [very good set of resources and links](#) including [this helpful 60-minute webinar](#) and [these image sets and Canva templates](#) to promote the film.

A million acts of hope

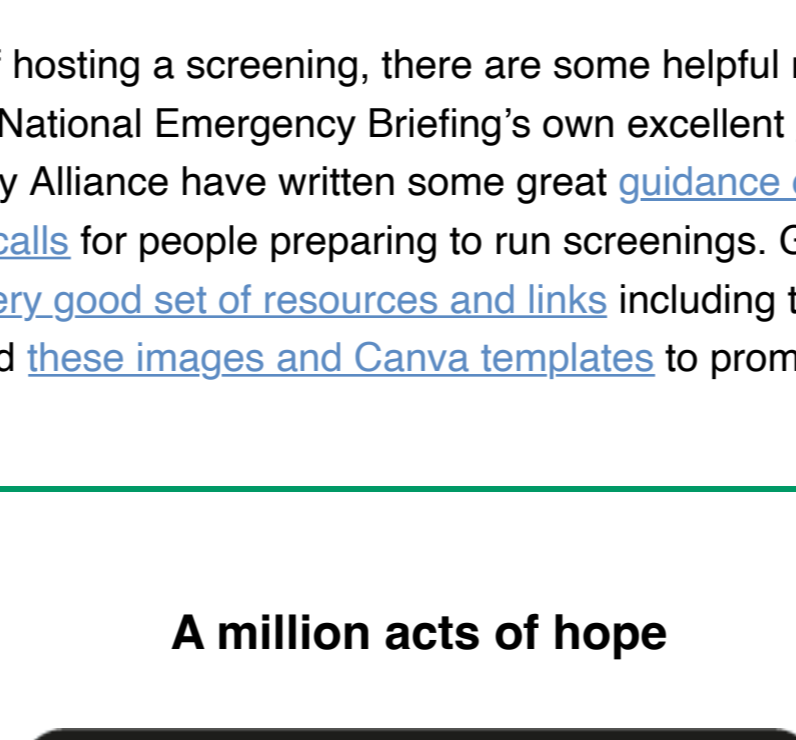


Image credit: A million acts of hope

Some of you may have contributed to the recent Quaker Voluntary Action call-out for stories of hope. You can [learn about ways that Quakers are doing their bit to build hope in their communities on their website](#).

These stories have created a picture of hope that contributes to this important national campaign, and they also provide a snapshot of what Quakers are doing in their local communities at this time.

Why not spread the love by sharing the blog post? Or you could [have a go at using the Hope Dispenser](#) or [signing the UK's biggest ever thank you card](#) for people working for change in their community.

Celebrate

Ukrainian Space Plymouth supporting Ukrainian refugees



Image credit: Ukrainian Space Plymouth

Ukrainian Space Plymouth is run by David Salter and other Quakers from Plymouth local meeting. They organise events and raise funds for medical equipment to send to Ukraine. The project is completely sustained by donations and receives no grant funding.

Since its launch, the group has run more than 40 public events. At the most recent one - held on 24 February to mark the beginning of the fifth year of the Russian invasion - around 50 people attended a public rally at Plymouth City Centre shopping centre. That evening, more than 250 people went along to a cultural event.

The group also runs a partnership between a school in Plymouth and one in the Ukrainian town of Bucha. Both schools have made "a day in the life" videos and sent them to each other. They have also had live video calls, and in Plymouth they are now raising some funds for "little extras" (e.g. minor sports equipment) for the Bucha school.

You can read more about their events on [their Facebook page](#) or see photos of them [in this video](#).

Hastings Meeting witness against the arms industry



Image credit: Hastings Quaker Meeting

I had the joyful problem toward the end of last year of having too many things to celebrate, and a few emails with suggestions for this section ended up buried at the bottom of my inbox. On revisiting them this month, I found this suggestion from John Lynes.

John Lynes will be known to many of you for his work on peace. He died on Wednesday 18 March this year. I'm [pleased to be able to share this video he sent me of the vigil held in Hastings in conjunction with the DSEI Arms Fair last September](#), knowing that even now he's adding to the story of peace in this country. Sorry it's a bit late, John.

We really want to highlight things that are happening all over the country so if you have some good news or know of someone's work you think we should celebrate, please email us at faithinaction@quaker.org.uk. You can find a growing map of Quaker groups taking action at bit.ly/QuakerMap

Have you been arrested for your Witness?
Activism/social witness takes many forms. Sometimes our actions of peaceful protest can mean we break existing laws. If this has happened and you have been arrested please let us know so we can support you.
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