

Records of Reading Inter-Faith Group, 1985-2004.
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READING INTER-FAITH GROUP

[Reading Inter-Faith Group was formed in 1985, initially by a group of teachers interested in promoting better practice in teaching religious education. By 1987 it had members from the Christian (Anglican, Catholic and Quaker), Baha'i, Buddhist, Hindu, Jewish, Muslim and Sikh communities in Reading. A new constitution was approved in 1996, when the aims were stated as 'to enable members of different faiths to learn about each other's beliefs, practices and traditions in order to create greater friendship, harmony and understanding - and elimination of prejudice - in an atmosphere of appreciation of each other's spiritual paths; and to arrange occasions at which we experience each other's worship, witness each other's ceremonies, enter into dialogue with one another and celebrate our common commitment to spiritual values'. A regular programme of events included an annual 'Friendship Walk' parading through the streets of Reading, which began in 2001 as a response to the events of 9 September 2001 ('9/11').]

1	Minutes		
1/1	Committee minutes (unsigned), January 1988-June 1993, May 1995-October 1997, March 1999-July 2000. (August 1999 missing. Includes correspondence relating to meeting, June 1987, and Annual General Meeting minutes, 1996-1999.)	1 bdl	1987-2000
1/2	Friendship In Diversity Community Event Planning Committee minutes (unsigned), March-November 1998.	1 bdl	1998
2	Membership records		
2/1	Lists of members.	1 bdl	1988-2004 Closed until 2035
2/2/1-9	Profiles of committee members. (Autobiographical presentations by committee members, including details of personal lives and spiritual journeys.)	1 bdl	1994-1995 Closed until 2046

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3 **Events**

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| 3/1/1-16 | Programmes of events.
(Autumn 1992-summer 1993, autumn 1994-summer 1996, and autumn 1997-spring 1998 missing.) | 1 bdl | 1985-1998 |
| 3/2 | Posters and circulars advertising events, and notes for presentations at events, 1985-1994, 1997, 1999-2001. | 1 bdl | 1985-2001 |