



Children for Peace

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The International Peace Commission

Five delegates from around the world will visit the Peace Centre this weekend (5th-7th May) for the second meeting of the International Peace Commission (IPC).

Developed by the Tim Parry Johnathan Ball Trust, the aim of the IPC is to help the Trust refine and strengthen its existing work and to develop new programmes for young people.

IPC members attending this weekend include: Chair, Ian White OBE, a leading peace and conflict resolution practitioner who was a former CEO of the Glenree Peace Centre. Colin Parry OBE, Co- Founder of the Trust; Dr David Bloomfield of the Berghoff Foundation for Peace Studies; Prof Oliver Ramsbotham of the Department of Peace Studies at Bradford University; Dame Helen Reeves, former Chief Executive of Victim Support; and Karen Chouhan CEO of the Black Human Rights Organisation the 1990 Trust and a Joseph Rowntree Visionary. Full membership of the IPC includes: Roelf Meyer, Former Minister of Defence for South Africa; Dr Saeb Erekat, Chief Negotiator for the Palestinian National Authority and Prof Dan Bar-On, founder PRIME (Peace Research Institute in the Middle East).

Speaking about the meeting, IPC chair Ian White said: "The IPC members bring with them knowledge of the world of conflict, its devastating effects and its resolution, combined with enthusiasm and support for the Trust's work. We are hoping this weekend will give a more rounded understanding of the Trust, its foundations and future ambitions, so that together we can take educational peace programmes to international audiences."

On Saturday 6th May the Mayor and Mayoress of Warrington will greet members at the Town Hall.