



Emily Manners nee Barringer 1857-1934

Poor Law Guardian, JP and suffragist

Emily was a prominent Mansfield Quaker, who was the **first** woman to be elected as a Poor Law Guardian in Mansfield.

She was also honorary secretary of Mansfield's Women's Suffrage Society founded in September 1893 and by 1903 she represented Mansfield on the National Executive Committee of the NUWSS. Nottingham archives have 2 surviving minute books covering the Society's activities from inception → 1918 which detail discussions of how best to promote women's suffrage in Mansfield.

She was also present in 1913 when the Women's Suffrage Pilgrimage came to Pleasley Hill where Millicent Fawcett addressed those present. She also wrote a book on Elizabeth Hooton, the first female Quaker preacher – the book is in the Bromley Library.