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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
Held in St Mary's Church Community Room
On Thursday 15th June 2017 at 7pm

Present:

Sue Middleton (Chairman)
Simon Holdich
Peggy Boyer
Claire Bisset
Helen Thomson
Rose Graham
Richard Peaty
Coral Smith
Dick Middleton (Secretary)

1. Welcome and Apologies. The Chairman welcomed those present. Apologies were received from Sarah Spink, Andy Friend, Norma Lambert, David White.

2. Chairman's Report. The chairman mentioned the forthcoming 1918 Concert (to be held in November 2018 in St Mary's), and the possibility of volunteering to help in some way. She thanked everyone for their contributions and hard work throughout the last year. She commented on the success of the Ipswich Community Wind Band Christmas concert, and she thanked Sarah for her competence as secretary, Claire for her continued excellence as Treasurer, Andy for building and maintaining a most efficient website and Simon for his continued hard work in attracting so many detectorists to our metal detecting rallies.

3. Annual Report. Claire reported that we no longer have to submit a report to the Charity Commission, other than changes to trustees. The annual financial report is attached.

4. Election of Trustees. The chairman reminded the meeting of the constitution and the role of trustees. After electing the trustees, the officers of the Friends would be elected from them.

The following were elected as trustees

Peggy Boyer
Simon Holdich
Richard Peaty
Claire Bissett
Sarah Spink
Andy Friend

The following were elected as Officers:

Sarah remains as secretary

Andy remains as membership secretary

Claire Bissett remains as treasurer

There were no volunteers for the post of chairman.

Sue Middleton said that she was prepared to remain as chairman until after the metal detecting day in September. Simon welcomed this proposal, and the meeting accepted her offer.

Options were available should no chairman be elected thereafter, including perhaps seeking to establish a Friends of Bacton Benefice. A discussion followed, and the need to find a solution was emphasised.

It was noted that there were few fundraising events this year, principally due to the absence and enthusiasm of Ann Kent, who oversaw both the wine tasting and murder mystery events. The Chairman thanks her for all her work.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm