

**A meeting of the Friends of St Mary's, Bacton,
held on Thursday 8th March 2007
August House at 7.30pm.**

Charity Number 1106579

Minutes

1. Attendance Simon Holdich (Chairman)
 Dick Middleton (Treasurer)
 Andy Friend
 Angela Friend
 Janice Shea
 Peggy Boyer
 Richard Peaty

2. Welcome and apologies. Simon welcomed those present. Apologies for absence had been received from:

Barbara Bilston
Sue Middleton
Rose Graham
Helen Thomson
Pip Wright
Ann Kent

3. The minutes of the last meeting. The minutes were agreed as being a true representation of the meeting, and signed by the Chairman

3. Matters arising,

The Chairman reported no further progression the metal detecting.

He reported that Clive Paine's school talk was excellent. It was suggested that perhaps Clive could present a similar evening for the general public – a summer evening?

Janice reported that the PCC would share their strategy with us after the AGM on 20 March, at 7.30pm in the church. The AGM is an open meeting, and all would be welcome.

It was confirmed that it was hoped to run a wider competition for a Christmas card picture, embracing all age groups, media and subject ((although the latter would be confined to the village).

5. Financial Report . The account summary is attached to these minutes. The balance of the account is down by one pound – the income for the month being £59 and the expenditure being £60 for Clive Paine's talk

6. Bacton Church Ale Folk Night – progress report. In Pip's absence, Simon reported progress.

Andy passed the draft of a newsletter that included an advert for the Folk Night.. It was agreed to be an excellent production. It was suggested that we should aim to deliver one to each house in the village, immediately after Easter. Andy agreed to e-mail a copy to all Friends

Pip had produced tickets which did not include reference to the Church Ale or that the evening would start at 6pm (with the concert starting at 7pm) It was finally agreed that tickets could be accompanied by a more informative flyer.

Simon suggested that Pip might write an article for the Parish Magazine.

7. Bacton Fayre

Sue suggested by e-mail that a children's bran tub might be an alternative to a tombola. It was agreed to consider our activity at the Fayre at a later meeting.

8. Any other business Dick raised concerns at the proposed PCC expenditure on the organ and loft. Janice explained that Jimmy Mair's will specified that the legacy was to be spent on refurbishment of the organ. It was generally felt by the meeting that we should focus our funds on that maintenance and improvement that was essential. Janice agreed to convey this to the PCC.

Date of next meeting. 12 April at 7.30pm at Mill House Farm.

Simon