

A meeting of the Friends of St Mary's, Bacton, <sup>St.</sup>  
Held on Thursday ~~July 12<sup>th</sup> 2007~~ 13 September 2007  
At Mill House Farm 7.30pm.

Charity Number 1106579

## Minutes

### Attendance:

Simon Holdich (Chairman)  
Dick Middleton (Treasurer)  
Sue Middleton (Secretary)  
Ian Armstrong  
Peggy Boyer  
Angela Friend  
Andy Friend  
Richard Peaty  
Janice Shea  
Mike Talbot  
Liz Varley

### Welcome and apologies

Apologies received from Pip Wright, Anne Kent, Rosie Black, Helen Thomson, Rose Graham

### Minutes of the meeting on Thursday July 12<sup>th</sup>

Agreed as a true copy of the meeting

### Matters arising

There were no matters arising

### Financial Report

The Treasurer circulated a copy of the Financial Report. (Attached) We have £7310.86p of which £6000 is in the deposit account.

**Bacton Fayre August 4<sup>th</sup>.** Simon was impressed by the huge effort put in by those who ran the Friends of St Marys Stall. He thanked Janice, who had organised the bran tub: Angela and Pip for their hard work, and Andy who helped set up the stall.

Christmas Card Competition Simon thanked Anne in her absence for again running the Christmas card competition. It was agreed unanimously that the cards should be divided in to children's card packs, and adult card packs. The children's cards would need to be sold before Christmas, but any remaining adult cards could be sold next year if necessary. Anne had been in touch with Brian Manley who has offered to print the cards free of charge, but needed clarification on numbers and format. The Primary School were doing their own Christmas card competition. Janice suggested that the details of the Christmas card competition should be printed in the Bacton Fayre schedule of competitions next year. This was agreed as a very good idea, and must make sure that this happens. Simon was happy to leave the details of printing to Anne and Brian.

### Pantomime

Simon had been to the technical auditions and was impressed by the competence of the people running in charge of the pantomime, which will be performed in the Middle School, and the

proceeds to be split between the Friends of Mary's and St George's. Rose is looking after the budget, and the Friends have agreed to provide start up funding. The Friends agreed in principle of funding of £200. Liz was to look in to the ecclesiastical insurance to insure against cancellation. The rough budget is attached to the minutes.

### **Russian Concert**

It was agreed to go ahead with the Russian Concert in April 2008. Other benefices would join in.

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### **Parish Plan**

The clerk of the parish council had written to the Friends asking if any members were interested in being involved in the development of a Parish Plan. The process is to find out how the electorate want their locality to be developed. Liz Varley, Helen Thomson, Sue Holdich expressed interest. Simon suggested that those interested fill in the form (sent to all members electronically) and return to John Bean.

**Metal Detecting Day** will be held on March 9<sup>th</sup>. Simon was already receiving enquiries. It was agreed that we would charge £12.50.

### **Any other business**

Dick mentioned a proposal for an organ loft sometime in the future. He hoped that opinions of this proposal be sought before such a large project was implemented. Liz had not yet been to a PCC meeting but felt that it was always good to seek other views on proposed projects, for instance, creating a hospitality area in the church. Liz also asked that a Sunday, for instance the last Sunday in June could be set aside as a regular date for a Benefice Garden Party. It was unanimously agreed that this was a good idea. Terry Spalding held the village diary, so would be a good position to ensure a date which would not clash with other events.

Sue and Dick gave their apologies for the meeting on October 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Date of next meeting Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October at August House at 7.30**

*Simon*