

A Meeting of the Friends of St Mary's, Bacton
Thursday, 10thth 2009 at the Beagles
Charity Number 1106579

Minutes

Present:

Simon Holdich (Trustee, Chairman)
Claire Bissett (Trustee, treasurer)
Andrew Friend (Trustee, Membership Secretary)
Rose Graham (Trustee)
Ann Kent
Sue Middleton (Trustee, secretary)
Richard Peaty
Janice Shea
Helen Thomson

Welcome and apologies. Simon welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Ian Armstrong, Pip Wright, Mike Talbot, Dick Middleton, Liz Varley and Peggy Boyer.

Minutes of the meeting on Thursday 9th June 2009 – all in favour and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

Matters arising:

There were no matters arising

Financial Report: The treasurer circulated the summary of accounts, which were noted and approved. Balance held - £21,713.

Church Repairs

The Friends have agreed to pay for the remedial repairs to the North chancel windows at a cost of just over £10,000. It was also agreed to pay for the repair to flintwork.

Bacton Fayre

It was agreed that the Friends' stall was more of a PR exercise than a fundraiser.

- Anne has ordered a pitch.
- Richard has the table
- The art/photographic competition - 'An unusual view of the church – photography for adults, and for the children, artwork - 'Angels'. It was agreed Anne could have £15 for prizes.
- Rose suggested a competition - 'guess the find' - a selection of unusual artefacts found on the metal detecting day – with multiple choice answers. This was welcomed by everyone. A charge of 20p for children and 50p for adults was agreed. Claire offered to investigate the purchase of a book for the children's prize – Sue to buy a bottle of wine for the adults' prize.
- Sue to email Friends to ask for donations of edible plants (tomatoes, strawberries etc) and herbs to sell, also to ask them if they can spare a little time to help on the stall.
- Richard to provide photos of the North chancel window, for which the Friends are paying for repair, also photos of the year's events, including a photo of the Harold 1 coin found at the last Metal Detecting Day
- Anne and Sue to organise signage
- Sue H has the gazebo
- Helen, Sue, Rose, Claire, Janice and Anne offered to help on the stall
- Sue to explore the purchase of an 'A' Board
- Andy to circulate membership list, and to provide a sign to encourage people to become members.

Forthcoming Events

The Russian Hermitage choir had asked to come back for another concert but it was agreed that it was too soon to have them again. The pantomime is to go ahead. Simon said that the Company of Friends, who stage the pantomime, could expect support from the Friends, and encouraged people to become involved, as it was great fun.

It was hoped to have another Metal Detecting Day in March 2010. The Harold 1 coin found at the last Metal Detecting Day raised £550 at Auction. This would be shared between Roger Ellis, and Frank Wilson the landowner.

Any Other Business:

Anne proposed that we should rest the Christmas cards for a couple of years. This was agreed, but it was suggested that remaining cards and notelets could be sold at the Bacton Fayre.

It was agreed that there was no need for a meeting until October. There being no other business, Simon thanked everyone for coming.

Date of next meeting: 8th October 2009 at 7.30pm. At Cromwell House

