FRIENDS OF ST. MARY'S BACTON

Minutes of <u>trustees meeting</u> held in the Community Room, St. Mary's, Bacton on January 9 at 7.00 p.m.

- Apologies were received from Peggy Boyer, Pip Wright, Rose Graham and Andy Friend. The meeting was attended by Richard Middleton, Sue Middleton (chairman), Richard Peaty, Norma Lambert, Claire Bisset (treasurer), Ann Kent (secretary) and Simon Holdich.
- 2. There were no minutes available from previous trustees meeting
- 3. Financial report. This was submitted by the treasurer, Claire Bisset and showed a balance of just over £15,000.
- 4. Angels project. Ann Kent reported that the project was still awaiting the approval of the DAC and the arch deacon, David Jenkins had warned this could be a lengthy process. In the meantime a group of young film makers were making a CGI representation of what the church would look like with the angels in situ. AK asked if the trustees would support paying travel expenses for the film makers and the committee voted in support of expenses of up to £200 but felt that the PCC should also be asked to pitch in if necessary. AK said the expenses were unlikely to be this high. There was some concern about the escalating costs of individual angels and the trustees agreed that while they continued to support the project they would be unwilling to pay more than £3,500 for the Friends Angel.
- 5. East End project. The trustees agreed to pay the approximate £1200 cost of moving the pews to allow theatrical and musical performances to take place in the church. However this project is currently awaiting a decision from the DAC about whether this, along with the relocation of the parclose screen, will be permitted. In view of the delay the trustees regretfully decided that the St. George's concert will not take place.
- 6. Repairs resulting from quinquennial report. After some discussion it was agreed to earmark £9,000 from the Friends funds to carry out repairs. This will facilitate applications for matched funding. It was also agreed that in exceptional circumstances, and if appropriate, the PCC might use the Friends charity number when applying for grants for matched funding (thus making this a joint application). The trustees heard that the PCC is still looking for an expert to assess the state of and conservation issues relating to the Doom painting which is showing signs of deterioration.
- Murder mystery evening. Ann Kent reported that the cast had offered to pay food costs.
 The trustees felt this was a generous offer but that the Friends were happy to provide a

meal for the cast. Any individuals who wanted to donate would be welcome to do so. The meeting agreed to pay the expenses of putting on the event.

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- Apologies were received from Peggy Boyer, Rose Graham, Angela Friend, Andy Friend, Mike Talbot, Pip Wright and Liz Varley. The meeting was attended by Richard Middleton, Sue Middleton (chairman), Richard Peaty, Penny Harris, Janice Shea, Helen Thomson, Norma Lambert, Claire Bisset (treasurer), Ann Kent (secretary) and Simon Holdich.
- 2. The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a true record.
- 3. Financial report. This was submitted by the treasurer, Claire Bisset and showed a balance of just over £15,000.
- 4. Angels project. Ann Kent reported that the project was still awaiting the approval of the DAC and that the arch deacon, David Jenkins had warned this could be a lengthy process. In the meantime a group of young film makers were making a CGI representation of what the church would look like with the angels in situ. The trustees had agreed to support paying travel expenses for the film makers of up to £200 if necessary but that the PCC should also be asked to pitch in if necessary. AK said she thought it unlikely any expenses would be this high. The trustees have now agreed that while they continued to support the project they would be unwilling to pay more than £3,500 for the Friends Angel.
- 5. East End project. Although the trustees are happy to support this, the DAC has not yet granted a faculty for the work and so the St. George's concert will not now take place.
- The trustees have agreed to earmark £9,000 from the Friends funds to carry out repairs outlined in the quinquennial report. This decision will facilitate applications for matched funding.
- 7. Murder mystery evening. There was some discussion of food, tickets, publicity and raffle prizes and AK asked committee members to look out for unwanted or duplicate Christmas presents for the raffle. It was agreed that the next meeting would focus mainly on the murder mystery evening.
- a. Any other business. **Food Safety**. Ann Kent said she had contacted Community Action about the murder mystery evening. She had been advised that in view of the large numbers of meals

being provided it would be sensible to obtain a food hygiene certificate. As no other committee member has a valid certificate, AK said she would attend a course on February 7. Richard Middleton said he had investigated this online and it was not legally required. AK said she would feel more comfortable following the advice she had received and was happy to pay the £75 fee herself.

Metal detecting. Simon Holdich asked the committee if people were willing to undertake a metal detecting day in March as he had been offered a field by a local farmer. The committee agreed.

Date of next meeting. Feb 13, 7.30 in the community room.