

## **The minutes of the meeting Friends of St Marys Church held on Thursday 2nd June 2016**

### **1. Welcome and apologies**

#### **Present:**

Ann Kent (Chair, Trustee)  
Sue Middleton (Secretary Trustee)  
Claire Bisset (Treasurer Trustee)  
Simon Holdich (Trustee)  
Richard Middleton (Trustee)  
Richard Peaty (Trustee)  
Peggy Boyer (Trustee)  
Revd David White

**Apologies**, Mike Talbot, Norma Lambert, (Trustee) Sarah Spink, Garry Spink, Andy Friend, (Membership Secretary, Trustee) Janice Shea.

### **2. Minutes of the last meeting**

The minutes on April 7th were taken as a true copy. Simon proposed. Peggy seconded.

### **3. Matters arising**

There were no matters arising

### **4. Financial Report.**

Claire had circulated the Financial Report to all members. The balance in the accounts is £12,725. Net income for the two months is £174

### **5. Thank you event, 17th June at 7pm**

It is estimated that there will be about 50 people attending.

Garry to provide the wine on sale or return

Sue to write a Risk Assessment

Committee members to provide refreshments. It was estimated that about 35-40 portions per item of food would be required. A separate email has been sent covering arrangements for the evening.

### **6. AGM**

The AGM will take place on Thursday 30th June at 7pm. Norma Lambert and Ann Kent are standing down as Trustees. Committee members were asked to contact the secretary if they wished to stand for any of the honorary officers. The AGM was advertised in the May Parish News, and is opted on the Church Notice Board.

### **7. Christmas Concert**

It was hoped to put on a Christmas Concert featuring The Ipswich Community Windband in conjunction with Wyverstone. Ann had spoken with Tom Rumbold. The date suggested was December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Revd White to confirm the church was available for a concert that day.

### **8. Friends website**

Andy was unable to attend the meeting. Everyone agreed that the Friends website was a very useful tool for raising the profile of the Friends. The address is [fosmbacton.org.uk](http://fosmbacton.org.uk)

### **9. Any other business**

#### **Metal Detecting Day 4th September**

Simon reported that about 60 tickets had already been sold. It was hoped that everyone would keep the day free to help.

#### **Recruitment**

It was suggested that a stall at the Bacton Fayre could be used to recruit new members. Richard to provisionally book a stand. A mini metal detecting game was suggested.

It was suggested that the Friends could sponsor talks about the church for school children and interested parties. This had been a successful event in previous years.

**Opening the Church.**

The proposal to keep the church unlocked during daylight hours was being raised at the next PCC meeting. Grants were usually given on the understanding that the church was open for visitors as often as possible.

**Doom Painting**

The lottery had turned down the grant application for the renovation, as it was not for Community benefit. The Church Buildings Council had to be consulted as part of the faculty process, and they had queried the proposed process for the renovation of the Doom.

Simon wished to thank Helen for her tireless work regarding the maintenance carried out in the church.

**The next Friends meeting will be the AGM on June 30th, at 7pm followed by the Friends Meeting.**