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Minutes of a meeting of
The Friends of St Mary's, Bacton
at
St Mary's Church Community Room
On
15 June 2017 at 8pm

Present:

Sue Middleton (Chairman)
Simon Holdich
Peggy Boyer
Claire Bisset
Helen Thomson
Rose Graham
Richard Peaty
Coral Smith
Dick Middleton (Secretary)

1. Minutes of the previous meeting. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. There were no matters arising. Helen proposed and Simon seconded.

2. Financial Report. Claire reported on the financial state of the Friends, and her report is attached.

3. Future Events.

1918 Concert. The chairman raised the 1918 Concert, and commented on its early progress. It will be held in St Mary's on 17 November 2018, with the aims of celebrating the end of WW1 and the changes that it brought. Volunteers wishing to take part in the production, or who wished to help in any other way, should contact either her, Sue Holdich or Peter Gipson.

Metal Detecting. 85 tickets sold so far, including one to our friendly para medic, who has agreed to provide first aid cover.

It was reported that Val Remington-Hobbs has two large marquees, which she is prepared to lend to the Friends for the event, available free of charge. There are also two available from the village hall, and Jeffries also own one that we have previously borrowed.

Porta loos need to be booked, ideally three rather than two. The Chairman agreed to do this.

Bacon to be ordered from Taste of Suffolk. Again, the chairman agreed to do this.

We will need a generator to power lights for finds, and perhaps for other appliances (urns etc?)
Helen will identify the power requirement and locate and arrange suitable generators to meet the identified need.

Simon will arrange a water supply.

Simon will arrange a walk round of the site to arrange mapping etc.

Christmas Concert. The chairman proposed a Christmas concert with the Ipswich Community Wind Band, in partnership with Wyverstone Friends, or as a stand alone event. She will approach Wyverstone. Rose would provide tea and coffee for the band, and Helen would run a bar.

4. As a part of the Friends object of encouraging the use of St Mary's by the community, the Friends have proposed in outline that the church be equipped with removable staging and lighting to enhance any production or event. This proposal will be considered in July by the PCC.

5. Any Other Business. Helen reported that the doom conservation would start in September. There was no further business and the meeting closed at 8.25

Next meeting will be 7 September 7.30pm. Venue to be decided.