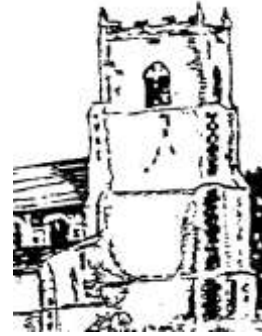


Minutes of the Meeting of
The Friends of St Mary's, Bacton
Thursday 12th September 2019
St Mary's Church Community Room, Bacton

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Present

Sue Holdich (Chair)
Sarah Spink (Secretary)
Simon Holdich
Helen Thomson
Rose Graham
Richard Peaty
David Chambers
Diana Chambers

1. Welcome and Apologies

- Apologies had been received from Pip Wright and Andy Friend.
- Mike Talbot had informed the Friends by email of his decision to step down from the committee. The Friends expressed their sincere thanks for Mike's many years of support.

2. Minutes of the last meeting

- The minutes were accepted as a true copy – proposed by Richard Peaty and seconded by Helen Thomson.
- Item no.4 on the minutes remains to be clarified at the next meeting.

3. Matters arising

- The Friends acknowledged that a walking football tournament would require significant planning, including health and safety considerations and the need for a risk assessment. The Friends agreed to delay any planning until early 2020.

4. Financial Report

- The balance of accounts at the end of August 2019 was £13,873 all of which was unallocated.
- The pub quiz held in July generated a net profit of £662 and was declared a success.
- The Friends expressed their thanks to Andy for exploring alternative providers when renewing the employer's and public liability insurance. By doing so, an annual saving of £131 was made.

- Sue Holdich was in possession of three canvas backdrops from previous years. Sue agreed to offer one of these to the Village Hall Committee for display on the rear wall of the hall.

5. Reflection on pub quiz

- The Friends agreed that the quiz had been a successful fundraising event and agreed to plan another for 2020.
- There was much discussion about the finer details of the evening, including the possibility of securing a larger location for a future event as several teams had been unable to secure tickets.
- Sarah agreed to investigate the cost of hiring the Haughley pavilion.

6. PCC update

- Interviews for a new incumbent should commence late 2019 to early 2020
- Quotes of up to £4,400 for repair to the church floor were under consideration. The Friends agreed in principle to fund this repair work once a quote had been accepted.
- The PCC were considering the purchase of chain link curtains to prevent birds entering the church whilst the doors were open during the day.

7. Future fundraising

- Discussion focussed on plans for the wind band concert to be held in November.
- The Friends agreed on a ticket price of £7.50 per person, excluding refreshments. Wine and soft drinks would be offered for purchase during the concert.
- Helen agreed to produce an advert for the October and November editions of the parish magazine and would forward these to Amanda Manley directly,
- The Friends agreed to provide a draw prize each.
- Sarah agreed to liaise with: Zoe Edmunds, regarding the requirements of the band; Andy Friend, to secure a temporary licence for the sale of alcohol; and Denise Jennings, to ensure access to the village hall toilets.

8. Any other business

- There was no other business.

9. Date of next meeting

- Thursday 10th October 2019, St Mary's Community Room, Bacton at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 9.00pm