The Friends of St Mary's, Bacton

Minutes of the meeting held at St Mary's Church Bacton.

Thursday 07th September 2023 19:00

Present:

David Chambers(chairman),Gail Wigglesworth (secretary), Paul Wigglesworth, Philip Jeffries, Diana Chambers, Hazel Laflin, John & Vanessa Kingsley.

1. Welcome and Apologies

Apologies had been received from Andy Friend & Haelen Thomson. David welcomed John & Vanessa back to the Friend's

2. Minutes of the last meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved & signed

3 Matters Arising.

The Friend's stand at the Bacton Fayre was very well supported despite the torrential rain all day..

4.Financial Report: Presented by Andy Friend.

The balance of accounts at the end of August 2023 stood at £6329 of which £6313 is in the account & £16 petty cash. .

Allocated funds £280 Insurance.

Unallocated funds £6049

David expressed thanks to Andy for preparing the accounts.

5.PCC Update:

Rev Carl has now left Bacton his last service was on 04th september & was well attended.

Hazel has had a meeting with the fabric committee & builders ref the footbridge & will share these details once she has informed the PCC.

The Quinquennial survey has taken place. Reporting that there is £110,000 of repairs to take place over time to ensure the church remains safe.

Fire Audit has taken place & Hazel invited The Friend's to attend Fire Safety Training along with other relevant bodies.

PCC are holding a quiz in the church on 20th October.

6.Future Fundraising

The Garage Sale is to beheld on 30th September. Vanessa to do refreshments in church with help from Hazel from 9am.

Philip to contact Stowmarket Concert Band re a Christmas Concert in the church in early December. Preferably around the 08th,09th or 10th. Tickets will be £10 which includes a drink & mince pie. Mulled wine & soft drinks available. Children under 16 free.

7.Any Other Business

None

8. Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 09th November 19:00 in the church community room.

The meeting closed at 19:45.