

The Friends of St Mary's, Bacton
Minutes of the meeting held at St Mary's Church Bacton.
Thursday 09th November 2023 19:00

Present:

Andy Friend (treasurer), Gail Wigglesworth (secretary), Paul Wigglesworth, Philip Jeffries, John & Vanessa Kingsley, Pip Wright, Hazel Laflin.

1. Welcome and Apologies

Apologies had been received from David & Diana Chambers, Helen Thomson. Paul chaired the meeting in David's absence.

2. Minutes of the last meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved & signed

3 Matters Arising.

No matters arising.

4. Financial Report: Presented by Andy Friend.

The balance of accounts at the end of October 2023 stood at £6431 of which £6410 is in the account & £21 petty cash. .

Allocated funds £0

Unallocated funds £6431

5. PCC Update:

Hazel reported that the Fabric Committee had ongoing enquiries to secure a grant for the repairs to the tower. The Friends are aware that money raised will go towards helping to secure the grant.

Water was leaking into the church during the recent heavy rains & Kevin Laflin is looking into repairing this.

6.Future Fundraising

The concert is to be held on Sunday 10th December at 3pm.

Friend's to set up chairs etc to meet at 12 noon. Hazel or Brian Last to set up the sound system.

Raffle prizes supplied by the committee & to be brought to the event.

Mulled wine to be warmed in slow cookers. Hazel bringing 2, any others would be appreciated.

Andy to organise alcohol licence.

It was agreed to wait till 01st December to assess how many tickets had sold in order to buy mulled wine & mince pies. Philip to source mince pies. Philip to supply cups. There will be fruit juice & squash available.

Hazel to ask Mike Hall for a risk assessment.

7.Any Other Business

Pip brought along some newspaper reports from 1854 indicating more paintings beneath the whitewash on the wall of the tower & on the side walls & window jambs.

Andy has added a Remembrance panel to the website with a list of names of the fallen.

8. Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 11th January 19:00 in the church community room.

The meeting closed at 19:35.