

The Friends of St Mary's, Bacton
Minutes of the meeting held at St Mary's Church Bacton.
Thursday 12th September 2024 19:00

Present:

David Chambers(chairman),Gail Wigglesworth (secretary), Paul Wigglesworth, Philip Jeffries, Hazel Laflin, Diana Chambers, Kay Thompson..

1. Welcome and Apologies

Apologies had been received from Andy Friend.

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 August 2024 stood at £8101 of which £8080 is in the account & £21 petty cash. .

Allocated funds £386

Unallocated funds £7715

Andy has reviewed & renewed the insurance policy at £266.44 for the year.

5.PCC Update:

Rev Stephen Snelling's last service was on 01/09/24. Hazel is now finding priests to cover services.

A new advert has been placed for the vacancy with a closing date of 02/10/24, interviews to be held on 16th & 17th October.

6.Future Fundraising

Philip confirmed that The Norwich Accordion Band are booked for 08/12/24 3.30pm.

Philip & David making enquiries for an organist to play from 3pm. Hazel to look to have the tv screens set up so that visitors can see the organ being played. Hazel to organise organ tuner once organist is confirmed.

David to contact Parish Magazine with a short ad in time for October issue with a larger ad going into November issue.

Tickets £10 to be on sale from Jeffries Garage, Bacton Post Office & FOSM members.

Raffle- to be made up from smaller donations. Hazel to speak to Gin company, Philip-Humber Doucy & Gail-Bacton Shop.

Aquarius Choir to be approached with a view to their availability for a summer concert.

7.Any Other Business

3rd signatory is needed to replace John Kingsley. David has offered.

Andy produced the figures for the website use. Since the beginning of the year the site has had 6,537 visitors. Since May the number of visitors has roughly doubled to between 800 & 1400 per month. QR code on posters etc would really help with event sales & Andy indicated that he could produce these.

8. Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 10th October 19:00 in the church community room.

The meeting closed at 20:00.