



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
<b>From</b>	1	April	2005	<b>To</b>	31	March	2006

## Reference and administration details

**Charity name** Friends of St Mary's Bacton

**Other names charity is known by**

**Registered charity number (if any)** No 1106579

**Charity's principal address**

C/o Church Cottage
Tailors Green
Bacton, Nr Stowmarket
<b>Postcode</b> IP14 4LL

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Simon Holdich	Chairman		
2	Richard Middleton	Treasurer		
3	Andrew Friend	Membership Secretary		
4	Susan Middleton			
5	Peggy Boyer			
6	Rose Graham			
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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of advisor	Name	Address

### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected by members at the Annual General Meeting

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees.
- The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works.
- Relationship with any related parties.
- Trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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## Objectives and activities

### Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The preservation, maintenance, repair and improvement of St Mary's Church, Bacton, its monuments, fixtures, fittings and furnishings and to promote public interest in it as a building of historic and architectural merit and in its use as a community asset for the village and surrounding district.

### Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

We raise funds by collecting donations and by holding events which make money. We also organise educational events, particularly with local schools, and encourage the use of the church building for secular activities.

### Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- Policy on grantmaking
- Policy programme related investment
- Contribution made by Volunteers

## Achievements and performance

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Friends have organised a number of events over the course of the year, which have raised funds, provided educational opportunities and brought local people together in the church building.

A day of Metal Detecting, held on fields in the village, for a local metal detecting club raised £812, and the participants found a number of interesting objects.

An evening lecture on the history and architecture of the church, held in the church, was attended by some 70 people.

A talent show, featuring local people with a wide variety of talent filled the church, and made over £1000 towards building maintenance.

A Christmas concert of mediaeval music once again filled the church and brought in welcome funds.

We paid for a local historian to deliver “hands on” history lessons in the church so that children from our local schools might be better informed about their church building.

We continued to build our group of financial supporters who make regular payments to our funds, including having a presence at the summer Bacton Fayre.

We were able, through this activity, to raise sufficient funds to make donations to the Parochial Church council of some £2883 towards essential maintenance, and to build up an excess of income of £8132. This healthy balance will be, we expect, handed over to the Parochial Church Council early in the next financial year to help them to meet the considerable expense of further planned maintenance of the building.

We have paid for, and our members have made sufficient cushions to alleviate the discomfort of nearly all the church pews – much appreciated by all those who use the church for whatever reason – worship or leisure.

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The friends do not intend at present to accumulate any reserves. We have no premises, no employees and no liabilities. It is intended as far as is possible, to disburse the income as it is generated.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising).
- How expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity.
- Investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

## Other optional information

We are grateful to our growing band of members and supporters to who help with organising events, who make regular payments to us and of course those who have made cushions for St Mary's church

## Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Simon Holdich	
Position (eg secretary, chair, etc)	Chairman	
Date		