

Minutes of a meeting of the Friends of St. Margaret's

Monday, July 22, 2019

The meeting was held at 10, Rectory Close, starting at 7.30 pm.

Present: Loraine Winn, Ann Ward, Irene Hopper, Vicki Mynott, Lyn Johnson, Dave Milne (Chairman) and Sue Milne.

Apologies: Andy and Karen Hopkins.

Minutes of last meeting: The minutes of the meeting of June 10 were agreed and signed as a true record, and Lyn was welcomed onto the committee.

Matters arising: The Scarecrow Weekend had been a wonderful effort, resulting in a final total of £2,116.74. We had also been given some cards and 2 paintings by Gisele Hibbert-Pelligrini and Terri Stevenson respectively, which would raise some more money.

Faculties for both the clock conversion and the servery had been issued. 50% of the cost of the clock work had been paid as a deposit and an initial inspection was awaited.

2 out of the 3 contractors invited to tender for the servery work had been in a position to quote and John Barker had asked the successful party to supply a detailed specification for consideration. The net cost of this was likely to be in the region of £40,000 and Sue was starting to research possible grants.

Treasurer's Report: Ann reported that she was holding £357.11 in petty cash, the deposit account held £11,698.81 and the current account, £39,314.84. The bill for Smith of Derby regarding the clock was £3,567.00 including VAT.

Ride and Stride, Saturday, September 14: It was important that we continued to support this event as the Northants Historic Trust had been very helpful to us. Irene offered to man the church to greet visitors with Dave as back-up. Sue already has the paperwork and asked the committee to try to recruit participants.

Any Other Business: We agreed that it would be good to have another of our occasional flower arranging demonstrations. Ann agreed to approach Sue Tull.

Date of next meeting: Monday October 7 at 10, Rectory Close, starting at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.15pm and was followed by tea and blueberry muffins.