

THE FRIENDS OF ALL SAINTS PARISH CHURCH LEAMINGTON SPA
Charity Commission Registration 1177081

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held online on 18 February 2021

Trustees

Rev. Christopher Harry Wilson (ex officio)
Wynford (Wyn) Grant
Marianne Pitts
Sarah (Sally) Scarlett

Annual General Meeting

Douglas Bates, nominee of the Parochial Church Council was in attendance.

Wyn Grant chaired the meeting.

His report was as follows:

“Our activities this year have been severely impacted by the pandemic as is evident from the accounts. We had plans for a Christmas supper with accompaniment by the choir which received a considerable level of interest from the public, but we had to call it off because of the lockdown. We are now hoping to run a harvest supper event at the end of September/beginning of October 2021.

In the new financial year we have raised funds via a Facebook appeal and I am trying to set up an Amazon Smile account, so far without success.

The availability of trustees continues to be a concern. I can only serve as chair for one more year as I will then be 75 and Sally, who has been a great source of support as our secretary, is likely to move to London in the course of 2021.

The parish church is in the process of appointing a development office and I would appreciate a discussion with that person to see how the Friends can most effectively contribute to their work.

I did address the town council about our need for trustees and three councillors made supportive comments. Although this has not led to any offers of help, there is a possible course of action I could pursue in a few months' time involving a town councillor. There is a general difficulty with organisations in the town securing sufficient volunteers which has been made worse by the pandemic.”

Fr. Christopher Wilson recorded his thanks to the Friends for the things that had been achieved during the year.

He added that the needs of the church remained significant. The fundraiser, he hoped, would begin to make progress with applications for grants and other sources of funding.

Accounts

Marianne Pitts presented the accounts.

Income for the year was £300, derived from donations.

Expenditure for the year was £426.80 for a fee for planning permission related to the development of the churchyard and insurance.

Total assets stood at £625.53.

The accounts were approved.

Trustees

It was agreed that the Trustees should be returned en bloc.

Plans for 2021

The Trustees planned to attract more members of the Friends, particularly those with an interest in the building and with skills and contacts to attract more people to use the church.

It was hoped to reinstate the guided tour of the church with refreshments which had been planned for June 2020 and cancelled due to the pandemic. It was also hoped to be able to hold a Harvest Supper in September 2021, in lieu of the planned and cancelled carol supper in December 2020.

Other events would be arranged for the year if possible.

Friends of All Saints Church Accounts 2016-2021

Summary of Friends of all Saints finances in the first five years

Sources of funds	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	TOTAL
Donations (general)	471		30	100	150	507	1,258
Events (films, TEDX, Son et Lumiere) net	245		1,500	876			2,621
Talks (net)			140	135			275
Helping Hands (Friends' share)	125		50				175
Local Giving			209	100	150	122	581
Donations for Clock	70						70
Sale of picture				85			85
	<u>911</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,929</u>	<u>1,296</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>629</u>	<u>5,065</u>

Uses of funds

Tables			999				999
Cabinet			300				300
Textile support		260					260
Architect's Report / Planning fees				1,128	256		1,384
Insurance		168	171	171	171	168	849
Printing	71		32	31			134
Advertising		28					28
Donation made			25				25
	<u>71</u>	<u>456</u>	<u>1,527</u>	<u>1,330</u>	<u>427</u>	<u>168</u>	<u>3,979</u>
							<u>1,086</u>

Bank at start of year	Zero	840	384	786	752	625	£1085 to
Money in	911	-	1,929	1,296	300	629	PCC
Money out	- 71	- 456	- 1,527	- 1,330	- 427	- 168	05/19/2022
Bank at year end	<u>840</u>	<u>384</u>	<u>786</u>	<u>752</u>	<u>625</u>	<u>1,086</u>	for lighting
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