

Annual Report, The Friends of All Saints Parish Church Leamington Spa, 2023, 117081

There has been a lack of activity in the past year because of the unavailability of trustees and volunteers, compounded by the ill health of the chair. The chair wrote a letter on the subject to the local paper, the Leamington Spa Courier, which they published and also took up as an online news story, but no new trustees were forthcoming. A treasure hunt has been organised for the History Fair to be held in the Church on 14th September 2024 in an effort to give the Friends a higher profile and attract new recruits.

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at the Parish Church on 10 May 2024

Trustees present: Rev. Christopher Harry Wilson (ex officio), Wyn(ford) Grant

In attendance: Douglas Bates, nominee of the Parochial Church Council

Apologies for absence: Hannah Wilson

Christopher Wilson chaired the meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 10 May 2023 were approved.

The annual accounts were presented and approved subject to audit.

Father Christopher reported on the fabric of the Church. Some works had been undertaken; maintenance had been done but the repairs backlog remained. The renewed churchyard was engaging people. There was to be an energy audit which would identify what needed to be done to meet the Church of England's 2030 net zero target.

Father Christopher identified the need for new light sensors in one part of the Church and a different type of tap for the toilets. On the understanding that the total cost would be in the hundreds, WG offered to donate the money via the PCC on receipt of a precise estimate.

Efforts to revive the charity were discussed. WG is to write to the Courier and Nextdoor Milverton seeking new recruits. He would also write to BID on provision of a contact. Christopher would talk to person(s) in the choir who might be interested. Anyone coming forward should initially meet with Christopher and Wyn to explain the challenges, if Christopher was not available for a prolonged period Doug would substitute for him.

It was decided to explore the possibility of a Heritage Week event such as a treasure hunt organised by the Friends on behalf of the PCC. WG would be prepared to sit in the Church for part of the time during such an event.

Christopher is to see if a QR code linking to information about the Friends could be placed in the Church.

A further meeting would be held in the Church on Friday July 19th at 11 am.

Friends of All Saints' Parish Church, Leamington Spa

Annual Accounts for the year ending 31 December 2023

	2023	2022
Income	£	£
	0.00	100.00
Total Income	0.00	100.00
Expenditure		
Roof Maintenance - Donation	20.00	10.00
Church Lighting - Donation		1085.00
Total Expenditure	20.00	1095.00
Lloyds Bank Account		
Balance brought forward	91.47	1086.47
Banked	Nil	100.00
Cash Paid	20.00	1095.00
Balance carried forward	71.47	91.47

Signed: ~~REV CH WILSON~~ REV CH WILSON (TRUSTEE) 10 May 2024

- I am independent of the Friends of All Saints' Parish Church. I am not a qualified accountant. However, I have looked at the Accounts and cheque-book and I can confirm that they are true for the year 2023. There was one payment of £20.



(Dr. K. S. BURTON) 23 June 2024