

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FRIENDS OF ST ANDREWS
WEAVERTHORPE held at 7.30pm on Thursday 17th November 2011

As both Annette Michelle and Pete Wilson were not present, Jill Wilson took the Chair.

Present:

Jill Wilson

Greta Wordsworth

Richard Hebblethwaite

Stella Ellison

Julie Ellison

Norma Harrison

Anne Downes

Elsie Williamson

Jane Ashby

Penny House

Jeff House

Meg Medley

Ron Medley

Gillian Trowsdale

James Trowsdale

Chris Howe

Andy Bowden

Malcolm Carter

Pete Wilson joined the meeting later

Apologies for absence were received from:

Annette Mitchell, Michael Rowland, Ursula McDonald and Jean Banwell

1	PCC MATTERS	
1.1	AB introduced Gill and James Trowsdale who have recently become involved with St Andrews.	
1.2	On 4 th December the Area Dean will attend the morning service to swear in Elsie Williamson and Gill Trowsdale as Churchwardens.	ALL
1.3	The next stage is to form a PCC. So far there are five people willing to serve and AB requested that somebody from the Friends Group provides a link to the PCC without necessarily becoming a full member. AGREED: JW will take on this role	JW
1.4	AB stressed the need for fund raising for the Church and outlined his idea for a 200 club. If all 200 numbers are sold with 20% going back as prizes, this will give an annual income of £1600.	ALL
1.5	With regard to fund raising PH reported that the lottery registration is now due for renewal and it was AGREED that this would be renewed in the name of the Parish.	PH
1.6	AB said that there needs to be a cleaning rota and he requested that volunteers for this speak to either Gill or Elsie.	GT/EW

1.7	PH pointed out that the Church needs to be decorated for the Carol Service and for Christmas generally. This was fixed for Thursday 15 th Dec at 10am and NH will ask for volunteers from the Yorkshire Countrywomens Group on 29 th November.	ALL/NH
2	<p>FUNDING</p> <p>2.1 Leader Bid The geophysical survey has now been completed and there will be a presentation of the results on 3rd December from 10am to 3pm at the Landscape Research Centre, Yedingham. PW has had to pay “up front” for this exercise and is now claiming the funding back from LEADER but PW stressed that the grant is officially agreed.</p> <p>2.2 Awards for All Most items covered by this application have now been purchased:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - headphones - CD player - Voice activated recorder and software to create text (to be used to capture memories and history of the church) - Wheelchair ramp - Digital projector, screen and stand <p>There are also funds to purchase and have made cushions for the pews and the quality of foam and pattern of fabric was chosen by a show of hands.</p> <p>In addition 7 heaters have been donated by the family of Mrs Sadler and a Sage package has been donated by Debbie Lovatt. The money saved will go towards buying extra pew cushions.</p> <p>2.3 Faculty PW reported that the faculty has been granted by the Diocese for the information boards and PW is drafting the information to go on them. It is hoped to unveil the boards in the spring.</p> <p>2.4 Our Heritage JW is putting together costings.</p>	<p>PW</p> <p>JW</p> <p>PW/ALL</p> <p>JW</p>

<p>3 EVENTS</p> <p>3.1 Nicky Milner has agreed to give a lecture on the Star Carr excavations on 20th April.</p> <p>3.2 Sue and Trevor Thomson have agreed to organise a quiz on 20th January to raise funds for the Smartwater application to the outside metalwork of the Church. PH explained how Smartwater works and stressed that it must be done or the Insurance Policy will be invalid. Agreed: to offer a hot supper of jacket potatoes and sausages, bring your own drinks, tickets will be £5 per head. Prizes for winning team only and booby prize for losing team.</p> <p>3.3 Spring Festival There had been a suggestion at the previous meeting of a Spring Festival with all the churches in the Benefice and Valley joining in. AB said the other churches were enthusiastic about the idea. JW suggested a smaller festival centred on Weaverthorpe in April and the programme was roughly agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Friday 20th April Nicky Milner lecture - Saturday 21st April Filey Fisherman's Choir - During the week – a What's in your attic exhibition, eg wedding dresses, christening robes etc. - Sunday 22nd April – church trail to include all participating churches - Saturday 28th April – Arts and Crafts in the Village Hall and pop up tea room. - Sunday 29th April, lunch? in the Village Hall <p>Agreed a small group should get together to put arrangements together – JW, PW, JH, PH, NH, GT.</p> <p>3.4 Village Christmas Fair This is on Friday 16th December starting at 6pm in the Village Hall. EW will organise a raffle for the Church and JW will provide Christmas cards.</p> <p>3.5 Jumble Sales JW reported that in future the proceeds from the two jumble sales held during the year will be divided between the School and the Friends Group.</p>	<p>PW</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>EW/JW/ ALL</p> <p>ALL</p>
<p>4 ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>4.1 The Carol Service</p> <p>JH produced a draft of a poster for the Carol Service. This was approved with some slight amendments and JH requested that Members of the group e-mail him for copies to go in Malton, etc.</p>	<p>JH/ALL</p>

<p>The Norton Youth Brass Band will want a donation for playing at the Carol Service and CH agreed to organise this. AB reported that he had also booked the organist as the Band will not be able to play every carol.</p>	<p>CH</p>
<p>With regard to the angels which will be made in the VH during the afternoon, these will be brought up during the first carol and hung on the golden gates.</p>	<p>AB</p>
<p>Mince pies and mulled wine will be provided after the service.</p>	<p>JW/AM ALL</p>
<p>4.2 NH suggested that there be a harvest supper to follow the harvest festival next year.</p>	
<p>4.3 CH raised the issue of grass cutting in the churchyard. It was felt that this should properly be discussed by the PCC.</p>	<p>AB</p>
<p>5 DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p>	
<p>Thursday 9th February at 7.30 in the Methodist Chapel.</p>	