

Minutes of Friends of Priory Fields committee meeting
10th August 2023

Tonight's meeting was held at The Cygnet Room, the White Swan, due to the roof on the Village Hall being renewed.

Present. Ian Read, Dave Oxley-Goody, Sandy Sinclair, Valerie Dawes, Nick Rosam, Malcolm Whipp, Den Harvey, Julie Norman, Trevor May and Jo Britter.

Apologies for absence. Angelina Robinson and Mary Shay.

Minutes of last meeting. Read and agreed.

Chairman's report. Fortunately the village hall roof was found to have no asbestos present. Ione and David Saunders feel they will be unable to contribute to the committee but are willing to help in any way they can, perhaps helping with fund raising.

Finance. Jo presented our latest accounts. Current account - £1500.63, deposit account - £8,445.48 and cash in hand - £573.85. There were expenses of £619.03 and donations of £633.37.

Field Projects. We are still waiting to hear about the structural report for the arch. The hay cut should be soon, weather dependent. We are still waiting for the trees, found to be a possible danger by the tree inspector, to be felled. Richard Poulter's bench is ready to be positioned this weekend at next working party.

Working party. At the last working party the hedge alongside the village hall path was trimmed and the path cleared. The trees were watered and paths mowed. This working party will be strimming, mowing the paths, positioning Richard Poulter's bench and clear the fallen tree next to Moor Hall Lane entrance.

Events. The Christmas raffle will be held on 4th December and our Christmas dinner will be on 11th December at the Cygnet room.

P.C. Matters. We need to ask Lucy White, the PC clerk, about the structural report of the arch.

Publicity and news items. Cooked bones are being left out on fields presumably for the badgers and foxes but can be dangerous for the dogs. It has been suggested that an item should be put in In Touch or Parish Magazine asking for people to refrain from doing this.

Any other business. None.

Date of next meeting. Thursday 7th September 2023 at 7.30. Venue to be confirmed.