

Barford Heritage Group A.G.M.

Minutes of a meeting held on November 30th 2016 in the Memorial Hall.

Present

Members: Wendy Barlow, Hilary Maynard, Doug Warne, Maggie Hayward, Carole Whiteley Ann McDermot, Liz Harrison-Hall, Sally Halliwell-Carew.

Visitors; Terry and Barbara Offiler, Patrick and Jacqueline Norton, Brian Hackman, Graeme Ford, Jo Forsythe, Rod and Jane Scott, Alex and Chris Farr.

Apologies Jan Bradley, Ken Hope, Ed Kirkby.

Wendy welcomed everyone to the meeting and offered everyone a glass of wine.

Minutes

Wendy read the minutes of last year's A.G.M. These were approved and signed. There were no matters arising.

Treasurers Report

Doug circulated the report and then explained it. He also added that we had £6000.00 in assets which include books still for sale, electrical equipment and screen.

Wendy added that some of the equipment can be used by other village groups with the exception of the screen which is fragile and difficult to erect.

Chairman's report

Wendy gave a full account of the group's activities during the past year. We have held around 14 meetings.

Future Plans for the coming year.

Scouting Booklet Doug will produce a booklet for sale about Scouting and Guiding in the village. This will be sold for funds for the new Scout Hut/Community Centre.

Joseph Arch Centenary in 2019 A showing of the Joseph Arch video is suggested. Other ideas welcomed.

Women of the village. We have a lot of information which can be used about notable women of the village in the past.

Study of Trees. We have lost many trees since the W I did a tree survey in the 1970s which Carole now has. She will scan it as it is very fragile. We need to place TPOs on vulnerable trees around the village.

Village trail Maggie will continue to upgrade and produce a new village trail.

Visiting speakers. Ann will arrange a speaker to come to talk about interesting subjects.

Archaeological Dig. We will continue to press the WCC for a report of the Nursery Fields dig.

Election of Officers

Wendy Barlow will remain as Chairman
Hilary Maynard will remain as Secretary
Doug Warne will remain as Treasurer.

This was proposed by Jane Scott and approved by the members.

Wendy felt it was a good idea to keep a small committee for the general running of the group but welcomed input and research from other members.

AOB

The problem with the Holm Oaks in Barford House garden. We will monitor this and members are urged to protest at the proposed felling of 4 iconic trees which are part of the village streetscape. Is there an alternative action which will preserve the trees whilst making the wall safe?

There being no further business, Wendy thanked everyone for coming.

Next meeting

The next meeting will be on 17th January, 2.30pm at 24 Sandy Way.