

Barford Heritage Group. Annual General Meeting 2024.

This meeting was held on 2nd December 2024 in the Community Centre.

Present;

Wendy Barlow, Hilary Maynard, Doug Warne, Stella Rutherford, Patrick Norton, Ann and Alan McDermott, Maureen Bartlett, Sally Hallowell-Carew.

Apologies; Carole Whiteley

Minutes. These had been circulated by email and were taken as read and approved. There were no matters arising.

Treasurer's Report. Signed copy on file

Doug circulated copies of the report and went through the details. We are £250 better off than last year due to sales of the new book.

We need to update the website or incur higher charges.

Thanks to Rod Scott for auditing the accounts.

The accounts were proposed and seconded by Hilary and Patrick.

Chairman's Report.

Wendy reported on our activities during the past year, mostly the production of the new book. She thanked the production team for a valiant effort in producing such a successful history of the village school which has already sold over 100 copies.

She also thanked the committee for their support.

She went through the Constitution which was approved by the members.

The minutes of the 2023 AGM will be uploaded on to the website.

A copy of the report will be held on file.

Election of Officers.

The existing officers were willing to stand again and were approved.

Chairman; Wendy Barlow

Secretary; Hilary Maynard

Treasurer; Doug Warne

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WI archives. As it looks as if the WI will fold, it has been suggested that their diaries and other folders containing recent Barford events could be given to the Heritage Group for safe keeping. At the moment we are not sure if we have space for it until after our proposed day, sorting out what we have. This will be done in January. We will ask Philippa Wilson, who currently stores the WI archive material if she can hold it for a while till we decide if we can keep it.

The Cedar Tree. The village is much saddened by the loss of this iconic tree which has stood for several centuries on the Wellesbourne road. It will be interesting to find out how old it actually was. Ann found a photograph from 1870 which shows a very mature tree.

Rectory Scrapbooks 1961-1981

Paul and Ann Williams are currently holding these except for a couple which Doug and Alan have. We must decide what we are going to do with them as they have a mine of information which will be useful.

Lunch at the Kings Head, Wellesbourne 9th January. Wendy will book this after Christmas. Hilary will accept menu choices. Please choose from the website after Christmas.

Glebe. Doug is watching progress there, as is Mark Griffin and Mike Sheard. The enforcement officer is being advised of any irregularities.

The store will be sorted out on 8th January 2025 at 10am if it is fine. Contents to be taken into the Community centre.

There being no further business the meeting closed.