

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19th MAY 2015 AT 7.30PM
IN YSGOLD Y FACH

Chairman: Nicky Davies
Attendance: 9 people
Apologies: Irene Breakwell

Approval of the minutes from the last meetings

The minutes of the last meeting were read and it was agreed these were a true record of events.

Existing Matters:

Church Repairs

Churchyard Wall – Nicky Davies had spoken to Torquar Forsyth and he was still enthusiastic to do the work for us, Nicky has forwarded Torquar's email address to Rev Paul Wilding so a meeting can be set up to discuss the work needed. Janet Watkins addressed the meeting to explain that people are now asking what is happening with the repairs as there is no evidence visible that things are being worked on. Paul Wilding explained that once we have the document from Torquar it may need to go back to faculty and if this was necessary then he doesn't know when the next meeting will be.

Church repairs – A quotation is still awaited from Michael Jones and Lynn White will chase him up for this.

Grants – Gillian Byrne explained that she had had a meeting with Stefan Horowskyj which had been positive. Stefan is to draw up a new scope of work and costings as discussed with Gillian and submit it by Friday 22nd May so that work can be done on the application. The approx cost of work will be £109,000 + vat and will include everything on our last application with the inclusion of the new tower work and the exclusion of the window repair. It was also suggested that we need to enhance our project activities details to include such things as brown heritage road signs, quick link apps for people with mobiles, enhanced website and making a large feature of having a heritage area at the rear of the church. The heritage area should include information boards and the lighting of the stones and also to work on links such as Gilbert Scott. It was felt that as the work needed is now urgent there is a very good chance that we would be successful with our bid this time.

During the meeting a discussion took place between Stefan and the CADW office when it was established that our grant application of April 2014 was still active and Stefan is to write to CADW and confirm that we were applying to HLF again. The documents held at CADW have apparently been minuted and agreed in principle. Other grant opportunities were also discussed.

A summary of the meeting has been written up and is attached to the minutes.

Treasurers report- The treasurer was not present at the meeting

Demonstration evening – A sample poster and ticket design were shown to the meeting and agreed on. The tickets will now be printed so they are on sale at the flower festival, Sennybridge show and Trecastle show.

History evening – Dave Howells had been in contact with Mr Rednapp from the Welsh Museum who is keen to do a talk about the stones. Dave Howells will liaise with him regarding his availability to do a talk.

Agincourt600 – It was reported that to date 4 flower arrangers had responded to our letters and 3 sponsors, giving a total sponsorship money of £65. It was agreed that other members of the committee would assist with chasing sponsorship in a few weeks time.

The need for some additional display boards was discussed and several options are available for borrowing so this will be sorted nearer the time.

Dave Howells explained to the meeting that over the second weekend that the exhibition is staged at Llywel he is trying to arrange a community event on Saturday 22nd August which would possibly include a hog roast and hopefully be held in one of the fields near to the church.

Other Business

Open Doors 2015 – As the forms for the CADW open doors event have to be submitted by the 1st June, it was agreed that we would hold our annual registers open day on the 12th September. Gillian Byrne will submit the form to CADW.

Choir Stall Cushions – Gillian Byrne asked if it was ok to spend approx £40 on a sheet of foam which could be cut up to make cushions for the front two choir stalls used by the congregation during regular services. The request was approved by the meeting.

Date of next meeting – Tuesday 7th July 2015 at 7.30pm in Ysgold y fach