

Witham Friary History Society Trustee meeting

Minutes of the meeting held on 13th January 2025 in The Seymour Arms

Present: Geoff Shepard (GS) Chair, Chris Featherstone (CF) (Events Organiser) Roy Featherstone (RF) (Secretary), Mike Gorman (MG) (Treasurer), Marcia Scott, David Heath (DH) Caz Netherton (CN) George Pritchard.(GP)

Apologies - None

1. Welcome and Introductions.

GS took the chair and welcomed everyone.

2.0 Apologies

There were no apologies

3.0 Declarations of Interest.

None declared.

4. Minutes of the previous meeting.

It was agreed that the minutes of the previous meeting were an accurate record ..

5.0 Matters Arising.

Visit to Beckford Tower. MG to action..

6.0Chairman's Report.

GS thanked all for their continued hard work .
Attendance at meetings has been good again with an increase in attendees from outside the village.

7.0 Treasurer's Report.

Projected income Jan-Aug	
Quizzes & raffles	£250.00
Book sales	£0.00
M Gorman talk Feb 2025	£50.00
<i>Current account balance</i>	<i>£877.00</i>
<i>12.01.2025</i>	
<i>Total</i>	<i>£1,177.00</i>
Projected exp. Jan-Aug	
Printing	£120.00
Hall hire	£0.00
Purchases/catering	£70.00
Speakers	£250.00
<i>Total</i>	<i>£440.00</i>
Projected balance end of Aug 2025	£737.00

8.0 Programme for 2025/2026

25th September – Ian Messider- The life and times o a Kenspeckle Man.

16th October – Ceilia Blay – History of Maiden Bradley

20th November – Dr Graham Twemlow – The History of Poster Art

12th December – Christmas Quiz

22nd January – David Heath – Pictures from Frome

19th February - Mike Gorman – 4000 years of Plague

20th March -Quiz

23rd April - Gary Kearly – The Monmouth Rebellion (To be confirmed)

9.0 Proposed Dairy Farming Event

A working party has been set up and 2 meetings held so far. The date has been changed to Saturday 21st June 2025.

10. Date of next meeting – 7th April 2025

The meeting closed at 6.45 pm.