

Stop the Drips at St Brits Fund Raising Group
Minutes of the meeting held on Monday October 11th 2010

PRESENT James, Rosemary, Pat, Bob, Ann, Nicola, Dawn, Lucy, Tammy, Jackie

APOLOGIES Ruth and Nancy

UPDATE The total raised so far is £29,000!

We have received a grant of £8,000 from OHCT (Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust). Thanks to everyone on the grants committee for all the form filling. The grant application to English Heritage has got through the first round and we expect to hear around December 15th as to whether the second round bid has been successful

Harvest Supper was very successful and raised £515. Thanks to everyone who helped in anyway, also thanks to the band – Saxophany

Ride'n'stride raised £347, half goes to the OHCT and half to us

Chocoholics party sold over £500 worth of chocolate. We got to spend 10% of that on chocolate that we will use for the Christmas Bazaar. It also raised £14 from a raffle

A brief discussion followed on all the successful events we have organised so far and what a fantastic balance we have for our first year of fund raising.

ACCESSORIES SWAP PARTY Lucy has invited about 50 guests to this and said they can all bring a friend. She would like donations of accessories after half term so she can display them nicely. She would also like to borrow any manikins or jewellery hands that anyone has. She will also need a clothes rail as she would like clothes such as jackets, cardigans that are easy to try on. Any mirrors that anyone is happy to lend would also be useful.

Lucy will ask Phil about gift aid on the donations

CHRISTMAS CARDS These have now arrived. There are 2 different packs each containing 4 different cards. Packs are £2.25 each or if you have a pack of each (8 different cards) £4.00. Gift tags are also available at £1 for a pack of 10. Ruth is to ask Phil to pay the invoice from Tim Gush. Cards will be on sale in church, in the Chequers, in the Masons and at A K Timms.

CALENDARS Phil has ordered 100 copies and once the printing arrives he will need to bind them. 25 will be given away to the people who are signed up as Friends of St Britius leaving us 75 to sell. They are £5 each and Phil is taking orders in advance- currently stands at about 18

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR – 2nd December 6.30pm in church

This event will aim to be a social event making a small amount of money at the same time. We will sell mince pies, sausage rolls, home-made cakes, pickles and preserves. Also home handicrafts, cards and calendars. We will give away mulled wine. Jackie Tammy and Ruth have been to Bakers and bought small items for a lucky dip, a reindeer to name, items to go in a large jar to guess the amount in the jar. Bits and bobs to sell. There will be a raffle, Bob will donate the tickets. We will include a tombola. Nicola will organise decorate a biscuit and a nativity colouring table for the children. We

have bought 100 tea lights to decorate the church. We could do with a few sets of fairy lights to borrow and extension leads as there are not many sockets. Dawn will organise a tree. Jackie will ask Phil to do some posters for the village. Jackie will run off a small flier, these will be handed out amongst the committee to deliver around the village. We will set up in church from 5pm (to be confirmed at next meeting) Bob apologises he cant be at the bazaar. We will have carols playing during the evening on a cd player

OPERA

The opera in the church is booked for February 5th starting at 7.30pm. We are going to call it "RAISE THE ROOF". Tickets are £5 each to include a drink and nibbles. Dawn will look into getting wine. Dawn will phone the Charity opera people to find out what type of pieces they will be singing. Jackie will ask Phil to do some posters and tickets ready to advertise at the bazaar.

OPERA IN THE GARDEN

Lucy had prepared a handout for everyone with the details so far, this is just a summary- May 14th 2011, gates open 6.30, program starts 7pm, interval and raffle 7.45, second part starts 8.15, finish 9pm

Tickets £12.50 each. Charity Opera will perform pieces from operettas and musicals such as Les Miserable and Phantom of the Opera. They will charge us £170. They will type up a program and provide gazebos for themselves. We need to decorate them with lights. They will require electric for the keyboard and a PA system. They will come and do a site inspection in the spring so we can mark out an area that their voices will carry to.

Tickets and posters need to say not suitable for children under 12. Black tie optional.

Does anyone have a gazebo Lucy can borrow?

Portaloo quote £185 approx

Temporary event notice £21

Public liability insurance – looking at house insurance company for assistance

Will ask Barnetts for parking cars in their field

Raffle prizes – Lucy will write letters and confirm with Ruth so that we don't ask the same companies as the ball table sponsors

Publicity – posters around the village and word of mouth to start with as it is Lucys home/garden

ST BRITS BALL

Nothing to add from last meeting

Will advertise at Christmas bazaar on a forthcoming events board. Jackie to ask Phil to design a first poster, we will want to add to it once we get sponsors as we would like to put sponsors names on the posters and tickets.

GARAGE SALE and RACE NIGHT To carry forward

PET SHOW This is on hold as the Primary School are doing one

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 23rd November in the Masons – Pat to confirm with the landlord that this is ok