



NOTE OF GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS; 23 July 2026,

Lee Hall, Wolfson College

Forty six Members were present and apologies were received from 23. In addition, representatives were present as guests from bodies that had received grants, Articulation and All Saints Jesus Lane. David Way chaired the meeting.

The business of the meeting was in 2 parts.

1. 2026 Annual General Meeting

The Minutes of the 2025 AGM and Report of the Trustees and the Accounts for the year to 31 December 2025 had been made available to members prior to the meeting. There were no queries and they were adopted nem con.

2 Closure of Art Friends Cambridgeshire

This was decided at the Special General Meeting held on 9 February 2026, the minutes of which had been circulated. The meeting agreed them nem con.

Accounts covering the period 1 January to 10 July 2026 had been made available to members prior to the meeting. Richard Medland (Treasurer) explained that they covered all transactions through the bank account prior to the meeting. Income was less because the period was shorter and expenditure greater because a large part of the surplus brought forward had been paid out as grants.

Details were given of the administrative steps necessary to complete the closure.

- Because it was a charity, the former trustees of Art Friends Cambridgeshire had an ongoing obligation to preserve and maintain records after its closure. Jenny Josselyn had offered to house them in a storage facility she uses.
- Minutes of this meeting would be prepared for the record.
- Frances Hazlehurst said that she would bring the website up to date following the meeting. It would probably be closed in September.
- Once the costs of this meeting had been paid, the balance of funds remaining in the bank account would be distributed as grants. An

explanation of the steps taken to make grants so far in 2026 and the process by which it had been decided what grants should now be made had also been made available to members prior to the meeting. Frances Hazlehurst spoke to it and answered queries.

Once these steps had been completed, formal application would be made to the Charity Commission for Art Friends Cambridgeshire to be deregistered.

3 Any Other Business

Frances Hazlehurst, who volunteers there, spoke about the discussions in progress with the Cambridge Collection archive about lodging papers there.

Jenny Josselyn brought to members' attention two organisations in which they might be interested – Art Friends Suffolk which had developed out of the Art Fund like us and the Cambridge Antiquarian Society; there were copies of the former's programme leaflet and a display by the latter at the rear of the hall.

Richard Andrewes put forward the suggestion that a list might be maintained of former members of Art Friends Cambridgeshire who might be interested in joint activities. The matter was left for him to pursue.

David Short proposed a vote of thanks to the Committee and to Jenny Josselyn in particular. Jenny Josselyn proposed the same to Frances Hazlehurst for her work on the website which had been so valuable for the running of Art Friends Cambridgeshire. These were agreed by applause.

4 Presentation

As the business closed Jenny Josselyn introduced the rolling presentation which was beginning to be shown on the big screen at the front of the hall. This had been produced by Rachel Sinfield, Frances Hazlehurst and Richard Andrewes, plus technical assistance from the Wolfson IT people, to all of whom thanks were due. It gave details of each of the events held by Art Friends Cambridgeshire since its formation.