



Friends Of Brailes School (FOBS)

Annual General Meeting – Minutes

Thursday 19th June 2026, 7pm

Attendees: Selina Hosell (SH), Mary Cole (MC), Susan Capper (SC), Dessie Dimitrova (DD), Zoe Bardey (ZB), Amy Hay (AH), Katy Riley (KR), Pippa Porter (PP)

Apologies:

Introduction

- SH welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending the AGM this evening and for the support this year.
- Quorum as per constitution for meeting was met with attendees present so meeting could continue.

Discussion re meeting from last AGM 24/25

- SH advised that we have received no further queries on the back of last years published meeting minutes, Co-Chair report or Treasurer report.

Matters arising from the AGM minutes 24/25

- SH advised at the last AGM it was agreed that £4k would be ringfenced to cover a skeleton year, this was due to the difficulty in obtaining a new committee, which has been the case for several years.
- A skeleton year is a year whereby should a new committee not be formed, then it enables the old committee or some new individuals who are named on the committee, but wish to be inactive, can continue FOBS running as a charity for a further year but not actively fundraise. Thus, allowing an extension of time for a new active committee to come forward whilst continuing with the pledges made to school.
- This figure was agreed based on the pledges currently made to school per year to include class allowance (at a rate of £15 per child) trip allowance (at a rate of £12 per child), bi-annual first aid children for all children, year 6 leavers books and sports day ice lollies for all children. This ringfenced amount will be seen in this year's treasurer's report.

- There was also a plea for new volunteers and engagement from younger years. Since then, a FOBS introduction for new starters has been created and is provided to new parents/carers to help introduce FOBS and capture engagement from the onset and more vocalisation around FOBS and the support FOBS provide has been seen in communications.
- No further queries raised at meeting.

FOBS Co-Chairs Report 25/26– Mary Cole & Selina Hosell

- MC read out the chair report on behalf of SH and MC – Full report to be attached to minutes, as well as being made available on school website and shared to families via School communications.

Treasurers report 25/26 for the year up until 19/06/2026

- Read by SH- Full report to be attached to minutes as well as being made available on school website and shared to families via School communications.
- £8878.68 raised in total.
- A special mention of the community fundraisers; Brailes 3 Hills Walk raising an incredible £2900, Brailes Show and Cherrington Show also raising £500 each. A donation of £800 was also kindly received from the Brailes Panto towards a theatrical experience for the pupils. With this great support from the community there is a plea to the school community to assist with volunteering at these events given the fundraising it generates for our pupils.
- One of our amazing parents, Robin Gogoi, also undertook a sponsored ultra marathon which took place on the Isle of Skye in May, raising an incredible £1100.73 for FOBS and also sharing his experience with the pupils in assembly which was truly inspiring for the pupils and we are grateful for Robin's lead with this fundraiser.
- Our passive fundraising by way of the clothes recycling bank located at the school entrance, your school lottery and 2nd hand uniform sales, continue quietly fundraising in the background.
- We still have the summer raffle fundraiser to go which is due to be drawn next Friday (26th June).
- In addition, we have successfully transferred to school a total of £1400.00 from grants (Tesco Stronger Starts Grant and Co-Op grant), raising extra funds to help support the year 1 & 2 sensory garden and OPAL play.
- Expenditure we try to keep as minimal as possible to maximise our fundraising efforts. Additional purchases this year by way of puddle suits for younger years and a new FOBS uniform hanging rail was purchased, along with some other purchases currently awaiting invoices (detailed below)
- FOBS bank account currently has £18938.36. Whilst this is a higher amount than previous years, it is noted that school improvement work to the school roof and the addition of the new rabbit's classroom has been the school priority this year.
 - In addition, there is several ringfenced monies outlined for costs FOBS have agreed to;
 - This includes monies awaiting invoices from school to include; Sleepers for the Year 5&6 garden area and Cotswold Falconry event which FOBS have supported this year.

- Skeleton year (noted earlier)
- Brailes Panto donation
- Tesco and Co-op Grants noted earlier
- And the School shelter (which has been ringfenced since the 23/24 raffle) and can now progress, following, the completion of the school roof and classroom.
 - The money for next year's pledges is also accounted for.
- This leaves us with £5674.89 surplus - with further proceeds from the current fundraiser of the Summer Raffle and the remaining fundraising for this academic year to complete. Leaving FOBS in a strong position for the new committee and now school improvement works are complete, provides an opportunity to further support the school.
- Mrs Childs has requested some funds towards some new table and chairs for the Owls Classroom, which FOBS have agreed to support, which is pending the completion of the above noted invoices prior to handover.

Dissolution of existing committee

- SH. MC and SC are stepping down this year, and we are thrilled to announce that we have had applicants come forward to form the new committee for 26/27.
- The current committee will be on hand to help support the new committee with the handover and beyond. Handover sheets and event guides complete with lessons learnt have been created to help support future committees.

Election of Officers and Trustees of the committee

- Applicants have been received from ZC (as chair), AH (as secretary), KR (as committee member), PP (as committee member)

Zoe Bardey (Chair)

Proposed by AH, Seconded by MC

Voted in (unanimously)

Amy Hay (Secretary)

Proposed by ZB, Seconded by PP

Voted in (unanimously)

Pip Porter (Committee)

Proposed by ZB, Seconded by AH

Voted in (unanimously)

Katy Riley (Committee)

Proposed by ZB, Seconded by AH

Voted in (unanimously)

With the role of treasurer to be covered by the committee.

Any Other Business - None