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A Fresh Start

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The new Friends of Brandon Station held its second meeting on Friday 25th October 2024. A small committee had been voted into office at the inaugural meeting in August and we are very pleased with our progress in this short time.

The Officers in post are:	
Garry Hall, volunteer	Chair
Piers Hart, Historic Suffolk	Vice Chair
Davd Palmer	Secretary
Susan Smith	Treasurer
John Maxim	Media Manager

• We have banking facilities in place with Lloyds Bank and our Website is now live. Our official mobile phone number is 07736 429336 and our email address for enquiries is <u>fobs.enquiries@gmail.com</u>

Friends of Brandon Station, Brandon

Brandon Town Council very kindly provided a grant of £500 towards our setting up costs. We also received a personal donation of £100 from a resident of Weeting. We are most grateful for all contributions. Our set up costs have included printing, stationery and supplies, the purchase of a domain name and website hosting. Please visit our website and if you have any suggestions or contributions such as historic articles and photographs, please let us know via the contact page.

We are excited to be working with a local business seeking office space in Brandon and we also hope to work with the new Breckland Landscape Partnership which could bring much needed funding into Brandon for the Brecks area in which we live.

If you would like to help with the Friends of Brandon Station (FOBS) and can assist with our social media presence, please get in touch. Now that our website is up and running, we would like some help with our Facebook, X (formerly Twitter), and Insta accounts.

Next steps include more administrative tasks, branding and printing plus discussions around securing the lease of the building from Greater Anglia. Finally, the biggest task of all, raising funds for the reinstatement of the station buildings.

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