

## CORSHAM TWINNING ASSOCIATION

### Minutes of Meeting held on 03/10/2016

**Present:** Roger Fido (RF), Jane Gater (JG), Nigel Millward (NW), Keith Stephens (KS), Felicity Hurlow-Jones (FHJ), Susan Wingrave (SW), Maggie Smith (MS), Chris Taylor (CT), Matt Wingrave (MW), Christine Bastow (CBw), Maggie Rayner (MR), Rob Cannings (RC), Sally Fletcher (SF)

**Apologies:** Maurice Hancock (MH),

**Minutes of Meeting 5<sup>th</sup> September 2016:** Minutes agreed with correction to title which should read "Minutes of Meeting held on 05/09/2016"

#### **Matters arising:**

Twinning 'success stories' have not been forthcoming. To be requested at the Anniversary Meal. **Ongoing**

**Corsham Street Market Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Sept:** FH-J, JG, CT, CBw and NM helped to man the CTA stall. Quite successful and a number of enquiries were made.

**Publicity:** RC has agreed to be CTA's official photographer and will take photos at twinning events and during forthcoming visit. RF thanked JG for her article in latest issue of Corsham & Box Matters.

#### **2016 Events Programme:**

- Wine tasting: a most enjoyable evening with a profit of £35
- Fri 28/10 – Tues 01/11 – French visit
- Fri 18/11 – AGM. **Actions: MH to confirm booking with Fire Station – in hand. SW to send out AGM papers to all members, to include: a. item about amending CTA constitution to reflect change in date for submission of accounts and b. asking members for suggestions for 2017 events programme**
- Sat 26/11 – ".Make your own Floral Display" – demonstration and opportunity to make a floral table decoration. 7.30pm at Cricket Club, tickets to be sold in advance at £10 to cover costs of materials and hire of Club. **Action: SW to produce tickets**

**2017 Events Programme:** RF requested Committee members bring suggestions for future events for discussion at next meeting. **Action: All**

#### **Visit to Corsham Friday 28 October – Tuesday 1 November 2016**

**Tues 18<sup>th</sup> Oct:** Pre-visit meeting at Royal Oak at 8pm.

**Sat 29<sup>th</sup>:** French are due to arrive between 4 and 4.30pm at Martins Yard in Gastard.

**Evening reception:** RF to set up PA system. Wine and cake to be served after speeches.

**Gifts:** RF has put together a collection of games suitable for Jargeau's annual street fair. Jargeau will present Corsham Guide leaders with camping stoves.

**Sun 30<sup>th</sup>:** **Joint Committee meeting 9.30am.** Agenda to include: dates for 2017 visit; cost of future entertainment; and gifts. We propose to stop giving formal civic gifts, just gifts between hosts in future. **Church service 11.15am:** Priory St Church, with French interpreter. **Henderson Trophy pm:** Brunel Room at Campus. Arrangements for games etc in hand. **Evening dinner at 7 for 7.30pm:** RF, JG and MS to meet school caretaker next week to discuss layout of tables etc. Elizabeth Barnikel to provide table decorations. JG to prepare menu cards for each table. John & Joan McIver to sort out drinks.

Arrangements for band and quiz in hand. RF has received Area Board grant (£153.65) and used it to purchase Bingo machine (£153.90). Bingo cards to be purchased once machine received. Help required from all to clear room at end of evening.

**Mon 31<sup>st</sup>: Visit to Cheddar.** Leave 9am prompt from Martins Yard. French speaking guide to accompany trip to cheese factory. MW and SW to accompany visit on coach; coach is expected to be full. **Evening 8 – 11pm:** disco at Town Hall. BYO drinks and food.

**Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Nov:** Depart 9am.

**SW to send letter to Corshan Town Council** accessing the grant they have for us - ongoing.

### **Visit to Jargeau Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2017**

RF had agreed these dates with Carole as this coincides with Jargeau's chestnut fair. Overnight stop in Amiens on Thursday and visit Versailles on Friday en route to Jargeau. Sat and Sun to be spent with hosts rather than having a day out on coach. Depart on Monday.

### **Treasurer's report**

Balance: £7,383.38.

Note that the guide on the day trip to Cheddar is to be paid £200 in cash, to be organized by MW.

### **Any Other Business**

- RF has booked The Bell at Lacock Tues 6<sup>th</sup> Dec at 8pm for the Committee Christmas Meal. Cheques and menu choices to RF for next meeting please.

### **Date of next meeting**

**Monday 07/11/16 at 7.30pm at the Corsham Club**