

MINUTES OF CORSHAM TWINNING ASSOCIATION MEETING 1ST FEBRUARY 2010

1. Present: NC, MC, KS, CT, MT, LC, CBw, MH, RF, CR, BR, CB, AM
2. Apologies: JR, CV
3. Minutes of meeting held 04/01/10 approved.
4. Matters arising:
 - a) 30th anniversary sub-committee to hold its first meeting 1 Feb directly after this committee meeting.
 - b) The Quiz evening had been a great success and made £95 profit.
5. Activities for 2010:
 - a) French market morning: NC confirmed that this would be held on Sat 26 June and was pleased to advise that French traders would be able to take part. Council rep to liaise with BR regarding what facilities they will require. RF said he would be unable to be there on the day. CBw will assist. CB had a mail from the Town Clerk requiring confirmation that the Twinning Association will be in place in the morning as the French traders were likely to stay until 1pm and the road would be closed until then. CB confirmed that we only have to take out one drinks licence for anyone participating in our event.
 - b) Wine tasting evening was confirmed for 27th March at the Fire Station subject to availability - **MH to confirm.**
 - c) French visit to Corsham: Carole had advised that the French plan to visit Corsham from Sat 30th Oct to Mon 1st Nov. We have until the end of May to submit the application for EU funding. CB has booked the caterers for the dinner on the Saturday night. **NC will send out links to the EU website** with the themes for 2010 so that members can consider ideas for what we can do during the visit. NC, CB and SF had volunteered to form a sub-committee to draw up our submission. CR and BR volunteered to help organise activities over the weekend including the Henderson Trophy.
 - d) Now that the date of the visit was confirmed, it was proposed to change dates of some social events as follows:
 1. Boules competition: 17th July
 2. Film night: Sept 25th
 - e) RF had received a request from a French family offering to accommodate a young man aged 18+ for a holiday in France. **RF to send out details and members to contact RF if interested.**
 - f) JR was working on the Welcome Pack for new members. JR had written to Carole requesting more information about Jargeau. **Action ongoing.**
 - g) Contacts with Corsham School: **MH to pursue.**

6. Treasurer's Report:

Current closing balance is £2830.53.

7. AOB: NC read out a letter of thanks from Maisie Bartlett from the art department in Corsham school who had decorated the saw we gave to Jargeau.

Website: LC had updated the website with photos of trip to Jargeau. **LC to publish revised social programme on website.** LC suggested that the Association should apply to buy a website at a cost of £6 for 2 years and this was agreed. **Post meeting note:** website now in place, www.corshamtwinning.co.uk.

Membership: **JR to issue gentle reminder to those who had not yet renewed their membership.** CB expressed his disappointment at RF's decision to resign from the Town Council. RF said the Council would appoint someone in April and they would have responsibility for the Twinning. Alan Boseley would be the point of contact for the interim. RF would remain on the Committee in a personal capacity.

8. Next meeting: Mon 1st Mar 2010 @ Corsham Club 7.30pm