

CORSHAM TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Meeting held on 8/11/2010

1. **Present:** Neil Carrigan (NC), Jo Reeves (JR), Lindon Collins (LC), Clare Vallorge (CV), Maurice Hancock (MH), Roger Fido (RF), Charles Boyle (CB), Christine Bastow (CB), Maggie Taylor (MT)
2. **Apologies:** Christine Taylor
3. **Minutes of 4th October 2010 meeting** – agreed.
4. **Matters arising:** as per Agenda.
5. **Activities for 2010/11:**
 - a. **Market Morning 2011:** Outstanding action: **JR to write to County Council to ask when French traders will be coming in 2011** so we can plan market morning to coincide with their visit.
 - b. **Boules competition 17 July:** Trophy had been engraved and would be presented to the winning team at the AGM.
 - c. **French Visit:**
 - Thanks were expressed to the following: RF for organising the trip; CB for organising the dinner; CV/LC for children's activities and translations; and Liz & Nigel Millward for the Church service.
 - We agreed that having a copy of the speeches on the tables worked well
 - NC was preparing the report for the EU
 - Certificate to be prepared for winners of Pumpkin competition : **CV and JR to help identify them**
 - d. **AGM 19th Nov:**
 - Carol Brain was willing to stand as Chairman. Accounts had been audited. Photos from visit would be shown on a rolling programme. Fire station had been refurbished but only has 26 chairs. **Post-meeting note: Venue changed to Corsham Community Centre.**
 - e. **Christmas meal:** date changed to Fri 3rd December at the Methuen Arms. **JR to book table.**
 - f. **Corsham Wind Band anniversary:** **JR to forward message from Carole to M Carter to follow-up**
 - g. **Twinning gifts:** CB was tracking previous gifts. The roses presented by Jargeau would be moved to another location, with the plaque - details to be placed on the website.
 - h. **French market morning 2010:** Chris Tilley to be paid £30 re Rough Street Band. **Action: MH to give cheque to Band**
 - i. **Activities for 2011:**

Jan 29th: Quiz in the Community Centre (RF organising)

19th or 26th March: Wine appreciation evening (**JR to check availability of presenter and location**)

13th or 21st May: BBQ (M Carter)

June (date tbc): Boules

Other activities to be confirmed.

6. Treasurer's Report:

- Expenses for the French visit were as follows:

MP and MEP who contributed to the discussion on 30th Oct: no request for payment received

Caterers, wine, corkage, gift and band = £3502.51. Cost of flowers to be added on.

Pumpkin competition = £40.05.

Trip to Cardiff plus boat trip = £246.70

TOTAL = £3789.26

Our share of the EU grant was €5300, equivalent to £4800 so we had made a £1000 profit.

- New balance is £4790.66.

AOB

- Alan Boseley owes CTA £40 from the French Market morning Council stall
- CV announced that she was leaving the Committee. NC thanked her on behalf of the Committee for all her hard work and wished her all the best for the future.
- NC said this was his last meeting as Chairman. The Committee expressed its thanks for his hard work over the last 2 years and wished him well.

Next Meeting – 6th December 2010