

## CORSHAM TWINNING ASSOCIATION

### Minutes of Meeting held on 09/05/2011

**1. Present:** Carole Brain (CBr), Ian Brain (IB), Jo Reeves (JR), Roger Fido (RF), Christine Bastow (CBw), Charles Boyle (CBo), Keith Stephens (KS), Lindon Collins (LC), Maggie Taylor (MT)

**2. Apologies:** Maurice Hancock (MH), Millie Carter (MC), Chris Taylor (CT), Chris Riley (CR)

**3. Minutes of 4<sup>th</sup> April 2011 meeting** – Agreed.

#### **4. Matters arising:**

a. Arts Centre had applied for a stall on Market day. Publicity for CTA arranged. Action complete.

b. **Twinning gifts and 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary commemoration:** CBo updated meeting:

- CBo had tracked down 2 further gifts. He confirmed that Town Clerk was content with exhibiting the gifts in the Town Hall
- Town Council was content with proposal to place commemorative plaque in pavement, but Highways Agency had refused. **Action: CBo to submit a formal application and go through the planning process on the basis that Highways Agency may reconsider.** We can't apply for the grant from the Area Board until we have planning permission.
- Quote for 200 key fobs which UK members could buy for their hosts: **Action ongoing**

c. **Future of the Community Centre:** no update

#### **5. Activities for 2011:**

a. **Wine appreciation evening:** **Action: CBr to write letter of thanks to Jackie from the Oxford wine company - ongoing. Also to chase up delivery of orders which had not yet been fulfilled.**

b. **BBQ:** 14<sup>th</sup> May 6pm at MC's house. **Actions: CR to organise barbecue from Council. CBr and IB to supply additional barbecue plus wine, soft drinks, food, garden furniture and French music. RF to provide glasses. KS to provide plates and cutlery. IB to run bar. JR to bring bunting (held by CR), MH and CBo would help put it up. All to provide desserts. MT and CT to help prepare food. RF to take tickets on the gate. JR to send reminder to members and ask them to bring tables and chairs if possible, and raffle prizes. JR to sell raffle tickets.**

c. **Boules competition:** 9<sup>th</sup> July at Queen's Head in Box at 6.30pm.

**Actions: JR to mail details of French market traders to CBo who would act as point of contact if they wish to enter competition - ongoing. LC to produce publicity posters and A4 flyers. All those who have a set of boules were requested to bring them.**

d. **Joint Activities with Jargeau Committee: Ongoing**

e. **French Market Morning 2011: 25<sup>th</sup> June.** IB has the old banner and is chasing up the new one. JR confirmed 40 stalls had been taken up at total cost of £450. CTA to share publicity etc with Civic Day.

CBo had managed to procure maps of Corsham High St to help with planning. Members thanked him as these would be very useful for the future, and to reimburse costs of £35.25. New Chairman of Town Council to be invited to judge the window dressing competition. Applications for road closure had been submitted. **Action: Sub-committee to meet 11th May.**

**f. Visit to Jargeau 2011:**

- RF reported that 69 people wanted to go so he had booked a 70 seater coach. Response outstanding from Junior Town Councillors, so position would be reviewed as necessary. RF updated meeting on message from Carole (in Jargeau). Visit on the Monday would be to Sancerre with wine and cheese tasting. CBo recommended a stop at Aubiny-sur-mêr which had links with Scotland (re theme of cultural dialogue). Further details of trip to be reviewed at next meeting.
- Children's art work – Action: JR to pursue with Mazy at the school

**6. Treasurer's Report:**

New balance is £8133.39, less Jargeau trip deposits of £2155 leaving a working balance of £5978.39.

**7. AOB:**

- MH's son had built a frame for a dress which had been a gift from Jargeau. **Action: CR to ask Town Council if it can be kept in the new community campus. MH to give RF an invoice for moneys spent. Actions ongoing**
- **CR to follow-up possibility of CTA flower display at A4 crossroads – action ongoing**
- **Photos of committee members: ongoing: all committee members to e-mail photos to Lindon by 20<sup>th</sup> June**
- **Visit to Jargeau sub-committee to be set up nearer the time**

**8. Next Meeting – 20<sup>h</sup> June 2011** (later in the month than usual due to members being away).