

CORSHAM TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Meeting held on 06/02/2012

1. Present: Carole Brain (CBr), Roger Fido (RF), Christine Bastow (CBw), Maggie Rayner (MR), Maurice Hancock (MH), Charles Boyle (CBo), Keith Stephens (KS), Lindon Collins (LC), Ian Brain (IB), Sally Fletcher (SF), Chris Riley (CR)

2. Apologies: Jo Reeves (JR), Millie Carter (MC), Chris Taylor (CT),

3. Minutes of 9th January 2011 meeting – Agreed subject to the following amendment:

Para 4b: 4 teachers, not 2, would accompany the children and the visit was to Corsham, not to the school.

4. Matters arising:

a. Twinning gifts and 30th anniversary commemoration: CBo to pursue with Highways Dept. re approval to have a plaque placed in Corsham to commemorate the twinning's 30th anniversary – Action ongoing. IBr to engage press interest – Action ongoing.

b. French schoolchildren visit to Corsham 6th June : immediate actions complete. Keep on Agenda to review nearer the time

5. Activities for 2012:

- **Quiz:** Sat 21st Jan. An excellent evening for which Treasurer reported a profit of £129.60. The Community Centre had apologised for confusion over the room booking.
- **Wine Quiz:** Sat 24th March. CBo has action in hand.
- **Talk on First World War:** MH confirmed date as Sat 28th April.
- **BBQ:** Sat 9th June at Millie Carter's
- **French Market Morning 2012:** Response from Council re French traders awaited. RF had written to Carole in Jargeau to say that the CTA's French Market Morning was not going to take place. Some people from Jargeau may come over anyway. **Action: Committee to work with Council as arrangements for French traders firm up - ongoing.**
- **Boules competition:** Sat 14th July, Queen's Head Pub, Box
- **Skittles evening:** Sat 15th Sept at Community Centre
- **Talk by Coppins the Jeweller:** Oct (tbc) – overhead projector required. **Action: MH to book Fire Station**
- **Visit of Jargeau to Corsham Thurs 1st – Sun 4th Nov:**

- CBo confirmed that the closing date for EU grant applications was end May. The theme was “cross boundary cultural issues”. **Action: CBo to get together with CBr and RF to review topics and plan our application.**
 - RF confirmed the Community Centre had been booked for the dinner on Fri 2nd Nov. **Action: CBo to confirm booking with caterer.**
 - RF said Corsham Band had agreed to put on a concert in Neston Church after the firework display on Sat 3rd Nov
- **AGM:** Fri 23rd Nov. at Corsham Fire Station

6. Community Campus project: SF updated the meeting. Facility planned to open late 2014.

7. Treasurer’s Report:

Our working balance is £3905.54, plus the grant for the visit (estimated at £2220).

8. AOB:

- RF reported that a twinning partner had been found for St Denis de l’Hôtel with Burnham in Buckinghamshire
- **French-themed events:** as an addition to the events programme, it was suggested a French film could be shown. Details to be discussed at the next meeting.

9. Next Meeting: 5th March 2012