

CORSHAM TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Meeting held on 7/01/2013

1. Present: Roger Fido (RF), Charles Boyle (CBo), Maggie Rayner (MR), Maurice Hancock (MH), Keith Stephens (KS), Jo Reeves (JR), Christine Bastow (CBw), Felicity Hurlow-Jones (FHJ), Jane Gater (JG), Matt Wingrave (MW). Carole Brain (CBr), Ian Brain (IBr), Chris Riley (CR), Sally Fletcher (SF)

2. Apologies: Margaret Smith (MS), Neil Carrigan (NC), Lindon Collins (LC), Millie Carter (MC), Christine Taylor (CT),

3. Minutes of 3rd December 2012 meeting – Agreed.

4. Matters arising:

a. Twinning gifts and 30th anniversary commemoration:

- CBo had discussed proposal to put commemorative plaque in the pavement with Corsham Town Council and awaited their formal agreement. Work to be conducted as part of pavement replacement and completed by end Mar 13. Cost is £369 not including VAT.
Action: CBo to place order for plaque once formal agreement received.

5. Community Campus project: Action: SF to send link to campus info to JR.

6. 2013 events programme:

- Sat 19th January : Quiz with fish and chip supper at Community Centre, 7.30 for 8pm. Cost £9 per head (£3 without F&C) . Raffle prizes requested. **Action: JR to send reminder to members.**
- Sat 23rd March: Olive oil tasting at Royal Oak at 8pm. Cost: £2 per head. Raffle prizes requested. Committee to provide wine for sale and RF to provide glasses.
- Sat 11th May: trip in canal boat. CR provided options and preference was for trip from the Barge Inn at Bradford-on-Avon to Avoncliffe, leaving at 6pm. No catering required. Numbers to be limited to 40, cost £6 per head. **Action: JR to mail details to members. CR to manage numbers and to collect payment.**
- Sat 8th June: BBQ. £9 per head. Venue: Mrs Margaret Smith, Bences Lane, Corsham.
- Sat 29th June: Armed Forces Day. RF awaits more information.
- Sat 13th July: Boules at Queen's Head, Box. £6 per team of 3 people.
- Sat 3rd August at 7pm: wine and bubbly tasting. RF to host at his house with help from LC and MH. Cost: £8 per head.
- Sun 8th September (pm): Treasure Hunt in Corsham (on foot). **Action: MH and NC to organise.**
- Sat 5th October: Talk (provisionally Mr Wingrave Snr to demonstrate woodturning).

- Wed 30th October – Sun 3rd November: Visit to Jargeau
- Fri 22nd November: AGM.

Arrangements for 2013 visit to Jargeau: RF said Hatts coaches had made a provisional hotel booking for the outward journey at an Ibis hotel in Rouen with a restaurant next door. Committee agreed his proposal to book 2 x 50 seater coaches for 70 people and to pay Hatts a deposit of £1000. **Action: JR and RF to prepare letter to members to confirm numbers.**

Methuen Trust: RF said the Methuen Trust had funds available which CTA could apply for. Committee agreed to apply for £500 in 2013 to cover the cost of young people travelling to Jargeau, and £1000 in 2014 to support Jargeau's visit to Corsham including purchase of gifts.

EU grant: CBo awaited a response to his letter about the lack of EU grants awarded to UK Twinning Associations.

7. Treasurer's Report: Balance is £4084.64.

8. AOB:

- DVDs of Jargeau children's visit to Corsham currently with CBo and JR – to be moved on
- CBo had made contact with the President of Corsham Chamber of Commerce. He was prepared to act as point of contact with Orleans Chamber of Commerce and awaited feedback from Corsham before taking the next step.
- MC to contact Corsham Photographic Society regarding possible links with Jargeau equivalent
- **Action: JR to send members' phone numbers to all committee members**

9. Next Meeting: 4th February 2013, 7.30 pm at Corsham Club