

# CORSHAM TWINNING ASSOCIATION

## Minutes of Meeting held on 1/9/2014

**1. Present:** Roger Fido (RF), Jane Gater (JG), Felicity Hurlow-Jones (FHJ), Christine Bastow (CBw), Maggie Rayner (MR), Margaret Smith (MS), Christine Taylor (CT), Charles Boyle (CBo), Sue Wingrave (SW), Lindon Collins (LC), Keith Stephens (KS), Sally Fletcher (SF)

**2. Apologies:** Maurice Hancock (MH) Matt Wingrave (MW), Joy Wingrave (JW), Graham Canfield (GC)

RF gave a warm “welcome back” to CBo. Unfortunately MH was in hospital and committee members asked RF to pass on their best wishes.

**3. Minutes of 4<sup>th</sup> August 2014 meeting - agreed.**

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

**a. New Library:** Committee thanked FH-J and her husband for successfully manning the Twinning stall at the opening of the new library. There was a lot of interest and enquiries about membership. **Actions: RF to organize move of model boat (gift from Jargeau) from old library to new library. SW to reorder more Twinning leaflets.**

**Post meeting note: RF to collect boat on 4<sup>th</sup> Sept. Reordering leaflets to be put on hold until after AGM as price of subscriptions may change.**

**b. Visit of children from Jargeau:** SW had spoken with Henri Pilliere regarding children from Jargeau visiting Corsham at half term in October. Permission forms had been translated into French. Response awaited from Carole and Jargeau Twinning committee before further action can be taken. **Action: ongoing, SW and MW**

**c. Photographic competition:** RF had sent 2 entries to Jargeau. **Action: SW to ask MW whether any other entries were sent.**

**5. Community Campus project:** Parts of campus were now open and rooms could be booked. SF said full opening was scheduled for November.

### **6. 2014 events programme:**

- Sat 16<sup>th</sup> August: Wine tasting. Committee thanked RF for hosting a successful and enjoyable evening which made a profit of £ 136.95. Twenty people attended.
- Sun 14<sup>th</sup> September: Canal boat trip, leaving Devizes Wharf at 6pm, returning at 9pm. Maximum of 35 people, payment of £10 per head required in advance. 22 people had applied so far, leaving 13 places. **Action: RF to collect payments on the day. SW to e-mail all members with details.**
- Sat 11<sup>th</sup> October: Skittles at Cricket Club at 7.30pm. Cost £2 per head. Teams to be made up on the night.
- Fri 21<sup>st</sup> November: AGM at Fire Station.
- Twinning Committee Christmas dinner: RF proposed going to The Greyhound in Bromham. This was agreed, for Wed 10<sup>th</sup> December.  
**Post meeting note: RF has made the booking.**

- RF had had the George Mills Trophy (for wine tasting) and the Boules Trophy engraved with names of winning teams.

## 7, 2015 events programme:

Social events were proposed as follows:

- Sat 17<sup>th</sup> January: Quiz with fish & chip supper at the Cricket Club.  
**Post meeting note: RF has booked the Cricket Club.**
- Sat 16<sup>th</sup> May: BBQ to be hosted by the Wingraves. Note: learning from this year's experience, tickets to be sold in advance.

FH-J drew attention to publicity from the Bathford Twinning group and suggested we share our activities with other Twinning groups to attract more interest. Other suggestions were talks on flower arranging, a cookery demonstration, cheese making, French films and another Race Night. RF said it was important for social activities to be well-supported by all CTA members to maximize funds. **Action: All committee members to consider other possible events, speakers etc for discussion at next meeting so a programme can be put together to present to the AGM.**

It was unlikely we would receive EU subsidies in future and funds would be required to support 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary activities. The annual subscription rate had not changed for many years, and an increase from £5 to £10 (single membership) and £7.50 to £15 (joint membership) was proposed. **Action: RF to put this proposal to AGM.**

**Visit to Jargeau Wed 28<sup>th</sup> Oct – Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Nov 2015:** Hatts coach company had gone into administration. RF proposed to contact Mr Matt Fisher to liaise with other coach companies to help establish our options for 2015. Committee agreed. **Action: RF**

**Visit to Corsham 2016:** RF has written to Carole regarding 2016 visit, stressing that we are restricted by lack of funds and numbers of potential hosts. Response awaited.

**8. Treasurer's Report:** Balance is £2909.46 plus £100 float.

## 9. AOB:

- FH-J said we needed to encourage as many members as possible to come to the AGM. She passed photos from the exhibition at the library to LC to put on the website.

**10. Next Meeting: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October, 7.30pm at Corsham Club.**