

CORSHAM TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Meeting held on 1/12/2014

1. Present: Roger Fido (RF), Maurice Hancock (MH), Jane Gater (JG), Maggie Rayner (MR), Margaret Smith (MS), Christine Taylor (CT), Lindon Collins (LC), Sally Fletcher (SF), Christine Bastow (CBw), Felicity Hurlow-Jones (FHJ)

2. Apologies: Charles Boyle (CBo), Matt Wingrave (MW), Sue Wingrave (SW), Joy Wingrave (JW), Graham Canfield (GC)

3. Minutes of 3rd November 2014 meeting - Agreed.

4. Matters arising from AGM on 21/11/14:

a. Election of officers: MH proposed CBo to continue as Vice Chairman, seconded by MS. No other nominations were received and CBo was elected. RF proposed MR to continue as Minutes Secretary, seconded by CBw. No other nominations were received and MR was elected.

b. Model boat: RF was pleased to announce that the model boat (gift from Jargeau) had found a new home in Jargeau Court.

c. Post box in Jargeau: RF had written to Carole in Jargeau and the Mayor of Jargeau regarding a post box, a gift from Corsham from some years ago, which had been vandalised. Response awaited.

d. Subscription rate: the AGM had approved an increase in the annual subscription rate from £5 to £10 (single membership) and £7.50 to £15 (joint membership), with effect from 1/1/16.

5. Matter arising from previous committee meeting:

a. Photographic competition: RF had sent 2 entries to Jargeau. Results of competition awaited - ongoing.

6. Community Campus project: No further developments to report. SF had contacts at the centre if we require. Actions closed.

7. 2014 events programme:

- Wed 10th December: Twinning Committee Christmas dinner at The Greyhound in Bromham, starting at 7.30pm.

8. 2015 events programme:

Social events were proposed as follows:

- Sat 17th January: Quiz with fish & chip supper at the Cricket Club. CBw and FH-J to sell raffle tickets. Raffle prizes requested. Cost: £10 with fish & chips, £4 without. MW to take entry money. Start at 7.30pm
- Sat 21st March: French meal prepared by MS and JG
- Sat 16th May: BBQ to be hosted by the Wingraves.
- Sat 13th June: Wine tasting to be hosted by RF
- Sat 11th July: Boules competition
- Sat 19th September: Race Night
- Wed 28th Oct - Sun 1st Nov: Visit to Jargeau (see below)
- Fri 20th November: AGM
- Sat 28th November: Flower arranging talk and demonstration with a Christmas theme

Action: RF to send copy of programme to all members.

POST-MEETING NOTE: Cricket Club is unavailable on 18th April for Skittles so this has been re-scheduled to Sat 21st February.

From previous meeting:

Visit to Jargeau Wed 28th Oct – Sun 1st Nov 2015: RF had confirmed our requirements with Mr Matt Fisher. Cost of trip was reduced to £170 per adult. All rooms in Mercure Hotel in Amiens were double, a supplement of £35 was required for single occupancy. Committee agreed cold buffet breakfast at no additional charge was preferable. RF said payment was not required until a few weeks before the trip. The coach would be covered by Tour Operators Liability Insurance. Members would be required to make their own individual arrangements for travel insurance. **Action: ongoing.**

The visit programme is as follows:

Wed 28th Oct: Depart Corsham at 9am. Stay night at Amiens (about 1.5 hours from Calais) at Mercure Hotel

Thurs 29th Oct: Depart Amiens at 1pm, arrive Jargeau at 5pm

Fri 30th Oct: Day out using our coach

Sat 31st Oct: activities in Jargeau

Sun 1st Nov: leave Jargeau at 9am to return to Corsham

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. **Ongoing**

9. Treasurer's Report: Balance is £3037.95 plus £100 float

10. AOB:

- JW was to attend a Corsham Youth Council meeting in January and would report on the visit of children from Jargeau, hoping this may encourage interest from others.
- MR to circulate draft AGM minutes to committee members - **Action : MR**
- RF to include mention of model boat in his letter to members about the 2015 programme - **Action: RF**
- LC was ready to put the report of the visit of children from Jargeau on the website and asked for advice regarding inclusion of photographs. **Action: LC to discuss with SW**
- FH-J offered to run a CTA stall at the Community Centre at any suitable future events.

11. Next Meeting: Monday 12th January 2015, 7.30pm at Corsham Club.