

CORSHAM TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Meeting held on 12/1/2015

1. **Present:** Roger Fido (RF), Charles Boyle (CBo), Matt Wingrave (MW), Sue Wingrave (SW), Joy Wingrave (JW), Jane Gater (JG), Maggie Rayner (MR), Christine Bastow (CBw), Felicity Hurlow-Jones (FHJ)

2. **Apologies:** Maurice Hancock (MH), Margaret Smith (MS), Lindon Collins (LC), Christine Taylor (CT)

3. **Minutes of 1st December 2014 meeting** - Agreed.

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

a. **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. - **Ongoing**

5. **Matter arising from previous committee meetings:**

a. **Photographic competition:** RF had sent 2 entries to Jargeau but unfortunately he had not won. – **Closed.**

b. **Youth Council:** JW had attended a meeting of Corsham Youth Council on 12/1/15 and had given out information about Twinning.

c. **Children's exchange:** following the success of the visit of Jargeau children to Corsham, SW gave details of plans for Corsham children to visit Jargeau in October. Proposal was for them to travel, escorted, by train a few days before the main Twinning visit, and to return on the coach with the main party at a subsidised rate of £50. Numbers should be restricted to six so as not to limit spaces on the coach. SW had e-mailed Carole in Jargeau with various options - **Response awaited.**

6. **2014 events programme:**

- Wed 10th December: Twinning Committee Christmas dinner at The Greyhound in Bromham: an enjoyable evening and we would be happy to go there again.

7. **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 February: Skittles at Cricket Club at 7.30pm. £2 per person entry.
- Sat 21st March: French meal prepared by MS and JG. **Action: JG and MS to investigate suitable venues.**
- 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

Visit to Jargeau Wed 28th Oct – Sun 1st Nov 2015: RF had written to members with details of the visit and awaited responses. RF had received an e-mail from Carole on 11/12/14 with various questions. SW was dealing with queries about children's visit. CBo had dealt with a question about the need for CTA to apply for a Partnership Identification Certificate (PIC) which was required to enable Jargeau to pursue their EU grant application. RF thanked CBo for his efforts in successfully obtaining this. Regarding our day out on Fri 30th Oct, our preference was to go to the porcelain factory at Gien and then to Guedelon (which we understand will be open that day). Finally, the theme for Jargeau's grant application concerned World War One. **Action: RF to respond to Carole.**

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**

8. Treasurer's Report: Balance is £2912.34 plus £100 float

9. AOB:

- JW had updated the CTA leaflet with new pictures and new membership rates. **Action: MW to check printing costs and arrange print run.**
- CBo had sent an e-mail to Jargeau on behalf of CTA with a message of support "Je suis Charlie"
- FH-J offered to run a CTA stall at the Community Centre at any suitable future events.

10. Next Meeting: NOTE: There will be no meeting in February.

NEXT MEETING MONDAY 2ND MARCH 2015, 7.30pm at Corsham Club.