

## CORSHAM TWINNING ASSOCIATION

### Minutes of Meeting held on 5/10/2015

**1. Present:** Roger Fido (RF), Maurice Hancock (MH), Charles Boyle (CBo), Sue Wingrave (SW), Maggie Rayner (MR), Christine Taylor (CT), Keith Stephens (KS), Jane Gater (JG), Joy Wingrave (JW), Margaret Smith (MS), Christine Bastow (CBw)

**2. Apologies:** Matt Wingrave (MW), Felicity Hurlow-Jones (FHJ), Sally Fletcher (SF), Lindon Collins (LC), Graham Canfield (GC)

**3. Minutes of 7<sup>th</sup> September 2015 meeting** - Agreed.

**4. 2015/16 events programme:**

- Sat 19<sup>th</sup> September: Race Night at Cricket Club. An enjoyable evening which raised a profit of £100. Thanks to RF for organising this.
- Fri 20<sup>th</sup> November: AGM, 7.30pm at Fire Station. Committee membership: CBo would stand down as Vice Chairman, but remain a member of committee. JG was willing to stand as Vice Chair. GC would stand down as a committee member. RF said any other offers to join Committee would be welcome. JG to organize tea and coffee at AGM and RF to provide wine. **Action: SW to circulate details of date, place and time to members**
- Sat 28<sup>th</sup> November, 7.30pm at Cricket Club: Flower arranging talk and demonstration with a Christmas theme. Charge £5 per head. **Action: CBw to confirm arrangements with person giving the demonstration.**
- Sat 16<sup>th</sup> January 2016: 7.30pm for 8pm: Quiz night at Cricket Club including fish & chip supper. RF to organize. Cost £10 per head.

**Visit to Jargeau Wed 28<sup>th</sup> Oct – Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Nov 2015:** number travelling on coach is now 41 plus driver. Pre-departure meeting to be held at Cricket Club on Tues 13<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm. RF to provide up-to-date list of people travelling and visit programme. School has list of cars to be parked there, gates open at 8am. Coach departs at 9am. Payment for meal in Amiens to be collected in advance (27€ including tip).

**Visit programme:** Fri 30<sup>th</sup> Oct: Trip to Guedelon. In the absence of a grant, we will pay for this trip ourselves (entry fee 12€ for adults, 10€ concessions and 8.50€ for children). Packed lunch recommended. Sat 31<sup>st</sup> Oct: Commemoration for 2 World Wars at Cenotaph. RF has wreath which Committee agreed should carry the message “With grateful thanks on behalf of the people of Corsham”. Those who are entitled to wear medals are encouraged to do so.

**Gifts:** For their gift, Carole had requested items of linen and small gifts for use by residents of a Jargeau retirement home. RF and JG had bought suitable items at a cost of £143.60. **Post meeting note: The Town Council will remit £71.80 to our account as their share of the gift.** For our gift, the boiler for the Scouts had proved too complicated and we have now requested tents for use by Scouts on expeditions. Action in hand with Carole.

5. **Treasurer's Report:** Balance at 26.9.15 was £5699.01 plus £100 float.

6. **AOB:**

- RF announced the sad death of Cecile Landré, wife of the Jargeau Mayor who had originally set up the Twinning. Carole had sent a wreath on CTA's behalf which we will reimburse her for.
- All members to consider new activities for next year's programme
- Question of Youth Council representation in Jargeau, speech and gift: **Action: JW to follow up**
- Items for discussion at joint committee meeting:
  - Gifts
  - Jargeau's visit to Corsham will take place 28<sup>th</sup> Oct to 1st Nov 2016. Need to consider whether a separate youth programme will be required; any special requirements for Twinning's 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary; and note that our total budget for the visit will be £3000 therefore numbers and activities need to be planned accordingly.

7. **Next Meeting: 9<sup>th</sup> November 2015, 7.30pm at the Corsham Club**