

Le Touquet - Witney - Unterhaching

Witney Twinning Association



Committee Meeting 29th January 2020, 6.15pm Minutes

Present: Mark Pengelly, Margit Kail, Keith Harris, John Thornton, Brenda Churchill, Mike Breakell, Lesley Morris

Apologies: Felicity Hill, Duncan Enright, Owen Collins, Andy Wolf, Hilary Warner, Chris Bamford, Liz Duncan

Agenda

- ❖ Twinning Anniversary
- ❖ Carnival
- ❖ Gift of Time 29th Feb
- ❖ Music Festival
- ❖ AOB

❖ Twinning Anniversary

The schedule for the weekend here attached was approved.

Friday dinner at the Plough they have an offer of Buy1Get1Free Fish and Chips. John will book the Loom Room that was already used for the Remembrance Day dinner, after confirming the offer is available. For Saturday, John will book the Blanket Hall and visit the Bowls Club, who have offered to host the twinning association and guests for £2 - £3 per attendee. As for dinners, it was suggested to have a selection of takeaway foods to have in the Gallery Room which has already been booked for both evenings, whilst on Sunday the idea is to have a bring and share by hosts members and friends.

A more accurate schedule for the ceremony will still be put in place and Brenda will be working on who to invite and will approach the relevant people who would be beneficial to have as speakers and in the audience. The Ducklington Morris Dancers have offered to perform and it was well received, so John will communicate with the aim to book them in for a performance on the Sunday morning either inside the Corn Exchange main hall or outside depending on the weather and the exact plans. more to be confirmed soon.

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❖ Carnival

John suggested that after having seen the Carnival on the leys last year that the Twinning Association has to have a presence there this year and will book a charity stall and was enquiring if Public Liability Insurance is needed and the thought was to check with the Town Council, however last year there was a requirement for stall holder to buy Public Liability Insurance. To be Confirmed.

❖ Gift of Time, 29th Feb

An email has been sent to the membership by John inviting the membership to buy tickets, but so far there have not been any responses. There are quite a few events that evening including the Town Band who has organised a concert.

❖ Music Festival

John has been in touch with the host family he has been staying with to start the search of bands suitable for the Music Festival, as she is a journalist and has contact that might be helpful. Lesley has also mentioned that she had been in touch with Derek West in the past about the Choir to perform with the Unterhaching Choir, which she has asked John to bring up with him again to see if it can be included.

❖ AOB

Lesley has ask to spread the work to see if in May everyone could keep an ear out for anyone who could host visitors from France, as her Father, which is involved in a Choir there, has invited the town to visit Witney. And although it is not with the Twin Town of Le Touquet we still enjoy all relationships with town that would enjoy visiting Witney and therefore would be our pleasure to see if accommodation can be found.

John has been in touch with Anne Marie from Le Vesinet, who after having met in Unterhaching has asked for Witney and Le Vesinet to share a close Friendship, providing Unterhaching has no objections, which has been well received here, as everyone gets on well with people from Le Vesinet.

Meeting finished at 7.20pm

Minutes prepared by John Thornton 31/01/20