

**YATE & DISTRICT TWINNING ASSOCIATION
TWINNED WITH BAD SALZDETFURTH**

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday 18th March 2016 at 19:30

Present:

Officers and Committee:

Martin Monk	Ruth Boulton	Lesley Killock
Rick Boulton	Ian Blair	Wully Perks
Penny Spiller	Neil Gordon	
Kath Williams	Pam Pearce	

Also present: Gordon Williams, Alan Spiller and Mike Pearce

1. Apologies: Gill Latham, David and Allison Hardill

2. Minutes of February's meeting:

The minutes were agreed an accurate record.

3. Matters arising: to include Report /Review of events since last meeting
To be discussed during the meeting.

4. Communications and Correspondence

PS has received a form from YTC asking for dates the room is to be booked for meetings for the next financial year, these dates are required by 21st March. PS to deal with this.

An email has been received from Ian Ward saying himself and Sheila Marriott are now unable to join our trip to Bad Salzdetfurth and asks about having a refund of the deposits paid. The committee agreed deposits are non refundable as stated on the application forms signed, deposits have now been paid to Applegates and any refund should be requested through their travel insurance.

5. Treasurer's report: The £600.00 grant from YTC has been paid into the deposit account.

There are still more payments to come in for balance of the trip but a further £2,100.00 received at the meeting. The Association funds are enough to pay the balance required for the trip. MP waiting for medical clearance, before paying his balance.

6. Membership matters, to include Web-site update: MM read promotion leaflet from Tesco Community Room and questioned if should be explored as a venue to hold future meetings, but this would affect our grant application.

7. Programme of events:

Saturday 23rd April St. George's Day at Yate Heritage Centre:

RaB to send an email to all members asking for volunteers to man the bottle tombola stall for Allison to organise rota for the day.

Saturday 7th May Race Night at Yate Town Football Club

NG got sponsors for all the races and will collect the money next week, also got the programmes printed. RaB to scan Race Night leaflet to send to members. Race Night advertised as Charity Race Night and it is proposed that a donation be made to the Brimsham Green Hosanna Group and maybe this would be a photo opportunity to promote both groups.

31st May – 8th June Visit to Germany

MM has confirmed numbers to Applegates but will now have to reduce it by two. Discussion was made at the recent official visit for the Brimsham Green School exchange and the twinning trip to be combined, but further correspondence has been received between Thomas Stelzer and Paul Norris to say their trip will not be taking place this year, but it will be on the school plan for next year.

The day trip planned to Steinhuder Meer will be joined by a coach party of German Twinners and a suggestion has been made we take the opportunity to hire cycles and view the area on bikes, for those who do not wish to do this a boat lake can arranged. Reinhard will need to know the number of bikes required to be hired two weeks before our trip.

An invitation was also made for Yate Twinners to join Bad Salzdetfurth Twinners at Benicassim to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of Twinning between the two places.

Saturday 18th June Train trip to Bradford on Avon DH has offered to organise a walk if we want him to.

Barbeque discussions were made on various venues but no conclusion was drawn.

8. Next Committee meeting: Friday 15th April at 7.30p.m.

Apologies from Gill Latham

Any other Business NG will be moving away from Yate around 13th May but will still be coming on trip to Bad Salzdetfurth.

KW gave out leaflets on a Gin Distillery Tour available in Thornbury.

NG gave RaB the name of a caller for Barn Dances should we require one.

LK has spoken to Paul Norris regarding Frederick attending Brimsham Green School when he visits this country in July.