

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

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday 15th September 2017 at 19:30

Present:

Officers and Committee:

Martin Monk	Ruth Boulton
Gill Latham	Rick Boulton
Penny Spiller	David Hardill
Kath Williams	Alison Hardill
Ian Blair	Sue Walker
Lesley Killock	

Also present: Gordon Williams, Alan Spiller, Laurence Walker and Jana Mas

1. Apologies: Pam and Mike Pearce

2. Minutes of the July meeting: Approved

Matters arising from the minutes: From June's meeting PS has now met with DH viewing photos from the Gazette's archives, several suitable photos of past official meetings were found and PS will contact Evening Post saying one of the strengths of the twinning are the official meetings and supply the photos. IB also has photos of the 1st year celebrations.

MM has been in touch with Mark King of South Glos Council regarding maintenance of the Salt Truck on Yate roundabout and a site meeting has been arranged for Thursday 21st September to discuss how work can be done safely.

3. Communications and Correspondence:

Letter received from YTC re free drop in event to discuss the startup of an over 50s Men in Sheds group in Yate, meeting 5th October 12.30p.m. – 2.30p.m. in the Armadillo Youth Cafe.

RaB told of email from Waltraud explaining they won't be able to go to Crete next year because of the damage caused to their house with the recent flooding and the amount of money the repairs will cost them. The committee suggested sending a card and perhaps some flowers, MM to speak to Thomas Stelzer to check if any other twinningers have experienced similar problems before sending to Waltraud.

RaB ordered Poppy Wreath for Remembrance Sunday committee agreed to ask Mike Robbins to make the presentation again this year. MM attending YTC's meeting on 21st September to discuss Armistice Day 2018.

Werner and Helga Krauser are coming to England during October as part of a cruise calling in at Portsmouth and some committee members plan to meet them during their stay.

4. Treasurer's Report: £3330.00 in accounts. Catherine Demmery has thoroughly checked the accounts and PS suggested a bottle of wine and some chocolates to the value of £15-£20 be given to Catherine as thanks for the work done. Grant of £500.00 been approved for 2017/2018 this will cover the hire of the Poole Court room, web site and insurance.

5. Membership matters to include the Association's Web Site

New member Jana Mas present at the meeting.

6. Forthcoming events

Yate International Day 16th September MM getting gazebo from PS and taking to Yate Heritage PS and AS to man stall along with LK.

Lecture DH got provisional dates of 1st, 3rd or 10th Nov when the library is free, 3rd Nov decided. Decision made to charge £3.00 per adult which will include light refreshments. DH to confirm booking and then RaB and DH to advertise with The Boundary, My Yate, The Voice, Genieri, Yate Shopping Centre web site, The Gazette, Paul Hulbert's Blog and U3A.

AGM 13th October Drinks and nibbles to be provided for between AGM and Planning Meeting. Apologies given for Mike and Marg Robbins

7. Visit to Crete 3rd – 10th May 2018 17 people going Balance to be paid by 13th January. MM to contact Reihard Nipp to establish how their plans for the holiday to Crete are going.

8. Next Committee meeting: Friday 17th November at 7.30p.m.

Apologies:

9. Any other Business

AH thanked DH for organising the BBQ at The Lamb in Iron Acton and in spite of the rain it was a good venue and enjoyable evening.

The meeting finished at 8.30p.m.