YATE & DISTRICT TWINNING ASSOCIATION

UNCONFIRMED Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Friday October 13th 2017 7.00p.m. at Poole Court

16 Members present

- 1. The Chairman Martin Monk welcomed all to the 2017 AGM.
- 2. 11 Apologies for absence received
- 3. Minutes of the 2016 Annual General Meeting Proposed as a true record by GW and RB.
- 4. Matters arising: None
- 5. Reports by the 2016/2017 officers:

<u>Treasurer:</u> A copy of the audited accounts handed to all present, and opportunity given for questions

<u>Secretary</u> Not so many events this past year so no report made.

<u>Chairman</u> No visit from German friends this year but official visit to Germany in March 2017 suggestion made for joint visit to Crete in 2018 new experience will review how this goes.

Brimsham Green school visited Bad Salzdetfurth earlier in year and return visit to Yate week commencing 16th Oct. MM thanked Jana and Bernard Mas for hosting the coach driver at short notice after Pam and Mike Pearce had to withdraw their offer due to Pam's health.

Salt Truck on Yate roundabout will be maintained in near future.

Thanks to Treasurer and Secretary for all their work.

MP said but your leading light is still there Martin.

6. Mr John Ford Mayor of Yate took the chair as Hon. President and informed of the nominations received for the officers:

Chairman Martin Monk Vice Chairman David Hardill Treasurer Penny Spiller Secretary Ruth Boulton These were accepted by all present

7. Election of the 2017/2018 Management Committee

The following were proposed, seconded and being unopposed, duly elected Alison Hardill Gill Latham Jana Mas Kath Williams
Lesley Killock Pam Pearce Rick Boulton Sue Walker
Yate Town Council representatives Mr. Ian Blair, Mr. Wully Perks and Mrs Margaret Marshall

- Address by Chairman for 2017/2018.
 As constitution allows for 12 committee members so if anyone else would like to be on committee they are welcome.
- 9. Subscriptions for 2017/2018

AH suggested increasing subs as not a lot of fund raising had been done. JM asked what members get for the money PS explained about the monthly hire of the room, web site, insurance etc. And also the Council grant received. DH says belonging to the association is about sharing information and the association is likely to be more important after Brexit. Vote for increase of subs was 4 for and 10 against.

- 10. Any other business: Suggestion of working together with Chipping Sodbury Twinning Association would not be possible with amalgamation of officers but working on joint events, working together with planning events, comparing diaries is good. MP explained working together on stall at YHC this year had not been possible as he was unable to guarantee support.
- WP thanked MM and his team for their work, knowing the year had not been easy but much appreciated. MM said it's easy he leaves it to the girls.

The meeting closed at 7.30 p.m. refreshments were served and followed by the planning meeting.