

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

**MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2014 at 19:30**

Present:

Officers and Committee:

Ruth Boulton (RaB)	Mike Pearce
Wully Perks	Gill Latham
Mike Robbins	Ian Blair
Rick Boulton (RB)	
Martin Monk	

Also present: Alan Spiller

- 1. Apologies:** Penny Spiller, Sue Walker, Laurence Walker, Kath Williams, Gordon Williams, Chris Monk, Pam Pearce, Lesley Killock, Linda Ellis

*Before the start of the meeting a few moments silence were taken to reflect on the sad and sudden death of our Chairman Nigel Ellis on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2014*

**2. Minutes of the February meeting:**

The minutes were proposed as an accurate record by I.B. and seconded by R.B.

- 3. Matters arising:** to include Report /Review of events since last meeting  
These were discussed as they arose in the rest of the meeting.

**4. Communications and Correspondence**

Email received from Tony Clark of Chipping Sodbury Tennis Club thanked us for the invitation to the recent Civic visit meeting and expressed his wish to visit Bad Salzdetfurth tennis community in August. Tony said he would only be able to stay for two days and not stay for the whole of twinning trip, he is hoping to develop this more in 4-6 weeks time. MM to contact Tony Clark to discuss this further.

Annika Rabe the 16 year old girl Nigel and Linda had planned to host in April is now staying with David and Sarah Boulton and Martin and Chris Monk will be collecting her from Birmingham Airport on the 8<sup>th</sup> April and returning her to the airport on 15<sup>th</sup> April. Several members suggested meeting Annika maybe she could come to the next meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> April?

Yate Town Council have received an invitation from Bad Salzdetfurth for four delegates to go to the Peace Festival from Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July to Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>

Two Councillors Sue Walker and Wully Perks to attend and there are places for two twinnings, as there were no volunteers at the meeting the invitation to be sent to all members, but YTC need to know by 24<sup>th</sup> March.

**5. Treasurer's report:** 23 deposits for August trip now paid, all final balances to be paid by end of May. Annual subscriptions still coming in, RaB asked IB for full list of members.

**6. Membership matters, to include Web-site update:** MP asked on behalf of PP for advice on what photos can be used to update web site, more photos are required. Tribute to be put on the web site for Nigel Ellis, MM spoke of the article on the Gazette web site and the possibility of using some of this. MP asked if there were more photos of civic service and when photo taken is to appear in the Gazette.

**7. Programme of events:**

a. Walk around Castle Combe walk leader Laurence Walker not able to make the provisional date of 13<sup>th</sup> April so new date agreed for Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May.

b. Car Boot Sale Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May all okay except still looking for a snack van as person who said they could do it 'Sizzlers' finds they have a previous arrangement.

c. Train and or boat trip much discussion took place to agree a suitable date but with many other engagements it proved difficult so it was agreed to abandon this idea for this year.

d. BBQ 19<sup>th</sup> July Tickets £7.50 each Bring your own drink.

e. Pre Trip meeting to be held on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July twinning meeting to start at 7.00p.m. followed by pre trip meeting.

f. Visit 19<sup>th</sup> August Discussion about day trip to Leipzig from Bad Salzdetfurth, concern expressed about long journey but thought roads will be quiet on Sunday, MM to check what is open there on a Sunday. Invite could be made to hosts to join the day but would Bakers need to know names for insurance purposes. Agreed in principle drivers day off to be Saturday.

**8. Next Committee meeting:**

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April at 19:30 in Poole Court (apologies:

**9. A.O.B.** RaB thanked all who came to skittles match with delegates from BS. Laurence Walker still unsure if Creda Club will charge the £20 for the use of the skittle alley.

**The meeting closed at: 8.45p.m.**