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

## MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

# Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at 19:30

Present: Officers and Committee:

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

Also present: Gordon Williams, Alan Spiller, Mike Pearce and Laurence Walker

1. Apologies: None given

2. Minutes of the July's meeting: Approved

#### 3. No Matters arising from July's minutes

#### 4. Communications and Correspondence

Email received from Waltraud telling of their visit to Bristol in October and inviting twinning members to meet up with her and Dieter and Wolfgang and Margaret in the Hilton Hotel at Bradley Stoke on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 8.00p.m.

**5. Treasurer's report:** Books have been balanced for end of year report for AGM £3,333.41 in Bank at end of financial year. Yate Town Council have approved application for £500.00 grant this will be in the bank at the end of the year once the twinning accounts have been approved.

26<sup>th</sup> September meeting being held at Poole Court for those receiving grants, Alison Hardill will attend representing Yate Twinning. Poole Court has asked for photos of groups applying for grant. Pam Pearce to send photos from the recent trip to Bad Salzdetfurth to Penny Spiller.

# **6. Membership matters, to include Web-site update:** Monthly web site reports received.

Invitation from Bad Salzdetfurth to join their party going to Bochnia next year, more than 10 names received of those interested in the trip, but suggestion made of flying direct to Krakow rather than flying to Hannover and joining their coach trip. 2017 summer flights not been released yet so these matters can't be investigated at the moment.

Mike Pearce reported back from South Glos Forum meeting, they are interested in knowing more about our proposed meeting discussing the future of twinning but at present this has been postponed.

Mike also reported to the Forum on our successful trip to Bad Salzdetfurth. 2017 will be the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Twinning between Bristol and Hannover and special events will be held which the Forum will be notified of.

## 7. **Programme of events:**

18<sup>th</sup> September International Day - Everything in place for the Treasure Hunt map to be used on the Twinning Stall, Gazebo to be borrowed from Penny and Alan for the day.

Martin Monk then spoke of the proposed meeting for the 6<sup>th</sup> October regarding the future of Yate Twinning this meeting has been postponed until the committee have discussed and planned more. PS handed out her thoughts on a swot (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) this was discussed at some length with PS adding our comments to the swot was that it can be presented to the Planning Meeting after the AGM.

These talks are to be proactive to ensure the continuation of Yate twinning and preempt any possible demise of Yate Twinning also to explore the possibilities of how to change things to get other people interested. Once our discussions have taken place at the planning meeting this will then be taken to Yate Town Council. MM also thinks other Twinning Associations should be involved with future discussions as they are in the same position.

**8.** Next Committee meeting: AGM Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 7.00p.m. to be followed by the Planning Meeting.

## Any other Business

David Hardill has spoken to Yate Town Football Club and they are still considering the possibilities of a football tournament with Bad Salzdetfurth and will get back in touch with DH in time.

P P reported Jane Marley Museums and Heritage Officer with South Glos Council has contacted Pam and will keep us and South Glos Forum informed regarding their project on World War 1.

M P expressed his thanks to PS for the help she had given him to make a cancellation claim for his trip to Bad Salzdetfurth.

PP advised the visit from Cesson to Chipping Sodbury Twinning group is proposed for the Whitsun Bank Holiday 2017.

Meeting closed at 9.00p.m.