

MINUTES OF HAILSHAM AND DISTRICT TWINNING MEETING

ON 3RD APRIL 2009

Apologies - Paul S

Present – Ian, John W, John P, Keith, Pauline, Gary, Paula A Joyce

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes – Covered below

Social Evening Report – John P informed group that a profit of £50 was made. All felt the evening had been a success. Thanks to Paula for the catering and to John P for organising the quiz.

Raffle prizes – next time everyone bring one but if there are too many then some be kept back for a future event.

Fundraising – Keith proposed that a BBQ be held for members and friends as a fundraiser/social event. A raffle could take place. A charge of £5 per head could be charged for this event. Date agreed by committee members is June 20th from 6.30 onwards. Organisation will be discussed nearer the time.

Taste of Sussex Café has changed ownership. They have suggested that they could provide a meal in future for members and friends for £7.00 per head -£5 of which would go to the Café and £2 to the Association. Members agreed that this may be something that could be held for the future in the Autumn.

PR News –An interview will be taking place with John W and Sovereign Radio to raise the profile of the Association.

Leaflet – John had drafted a design which those present checked and approved (just a few alterations required).

Newsletter – John W had drafted one and all agreed this (with a few minor alterations).

Both the Newsletter and the Leaflet will require the Association Logo.

Annual Town Meeting – to be held on 22nd April – leaflets and display to be available for this.

Gournay Student Visit 8-15 July 2009. 20 people coming over. Andy Joyce has worked at the organisation of this with the help of John P. Cost of use of Bushy Wood Scout Accommodation £40 per 24 hour stay + £2 per head per night. £640.00 total. John P had emailed Steph with the information and with the costs to be paid by them. A reply had been received to the e mail but with no mention or confirmation of payment of the costs. Those present were concerned and felt that Steph should be contacted again and a definite confirmation of payment should be obtained before further arrangements are made.

2 x teachers + Steph will be visiting Hailsham prior to this trip taking place.

Andy and John P are working on an programme for the students – Thursday and Friday morning can be spent at Hailsham Community College and on Saturday a walk and picnic at Cuckmere Haven. Sunday could be a trip to

Brighton. Possibly a trip to London can be arranged too. Andy informed group that some young people from the Square will be involved in this too.

The Association will provide the Town Mini Bus for transporting students and also Crossroads mini bus (if available) too.

Gournay Youth Services will be responsible for covering the Bushey Wood Costs and the Association will facilitate the trip only. Freedom Leisure Centre have agreed to offer 2 x bowling/a swim/ and food a cost of £7.50 per head.

John P to follow up confirmation of payment by French.

St Clare Visit – Edwards Coaches can provide a coach and driver from Saturday 5.00 am start and return 4.00 pm Monday – boat crossing from Calais.

Costs work out at £41 per person. Andy Joyce will be raising funding and obtaining young peoples money (£41) – 20 young people. They will be accommodated at the French Scout accommodation.

Pauline had been in touch with John Harmer (Long Men Morris Dancers) – provisionally 15 places are required. This leaves 14 places for members .

Numbers of members at present are 10 which leaves 4 places still available.

Pauline will send letter to all members offering 4 places on first come first paid basis. John W and John P will be going by car. Costs for each adult will be £45 per person which will allow for a little money over.

Pauline to contact John Harmer and inform him of the cost and ask for confirmation of names and payment in full (by cheque) by 7th May at the latest.

All members to pay in full as soon as possible too.

Possible Numbers for hosting - Morris Dancers – 7 couples and 3 singles

Coach driver – 1

Members Poss 3 or 4 couples

Poss 4 or 5 singles

All numbers to be confirmed by 7th May.

It was generally felt that the French should be able to find enough hosts as they have some time to obtain some. However, Renee, needs to be informed by Paul (Chair) of how many host families will be required.

Market Stall – delivery of this is due in the next few days. Stall to be used on Sun 7th June (set up of stall 6th June) – This event to be used as a fundraiser – possibly tombola – to be further discussed at the next meeting.

Any Other Business –None

Date of Next Meeting – 19th May at 7.00 pm