

WHITCHURCH & GORING HEATH TWINNING ASSOCIATION



Minutes from the AGM Whitchurch and Goring Heath Twinning Association 3rd February 2012.

In attendance : Vicky Jordan – Chair; Gwen Bruce; Ian Bruce; Wendy Ferguson; Peter Hawley; Robin Hearn; Martyn Jordan; Anne Tuckwell (and Louis).

1. **Apologies** received from Pam and Bob Chandler; Peter Dragonetti; Karen and Mike Foster; Melanie and Tim Hardwick; Chris Minton; Doreen and Bill Pechey; Alison Procter and Liz and David Robinson.
2. **Minutes of the last meeting** were circulated and accepted as accurate.
3. **Chairman's report.** The chairman circulated copies of her report.
4. **Treasurer's report.** The treasurer presented his report. It was agreed the membership fee would be waived this year as there were sufficient funds for the foreseeable future.
5. **Election of new committee.**

All the officers agreed to stand and the new committee comprises:
Vicky Jordan – Chair; Martyn Jordan – Treasurer and Secretary; Wendy Ferguson Whitchurch rep; Vicky Jordan Whitchurch Hill rep. All others comprise 'the committee'

6. **Correspondence.** Emails have been received from Martine with regard to our visit in May and replies were emailed to an enquiry from a French student of English.
7. **Future Activities:**

Visit to La Bouille May 2012. It was agreed to hire a 26 seater bus to leave at 6.00 am on Saturday 5th May 2012 returning to Whitchurch the evening of Monday the 7th May 2012. The cost per person would be £135 and children of less than 12 would go free. 14 people had so far confirmed they would go with another 5 or 6 likely. Vicky Jordan agreed to produce a poster to be displayed on notice boards and appropriate establishments in Whitchurch and Whitchurch Hill. Everyone was asked to make a special effort to attract more people to fill the coach and to keep the costs down. In support of this Vicky Jordan will send the poster to the whole mailing list and other possible interested parties. As usual we will be supporting the village Fetes at Whitchurch Hill (2nd June 2012) and the Whitchurch Fete.

8. **AOB**

Martyn Jordan noted that the numbers were down for the meeting and a number of regular supporters of the Twinning Association were dropping out. Although we are still able to accommodate our French visitors not many hosts then wish to travel to La Bouille on the following year's reciprocal trip. With no new names coming forward he felt that the days of the association could be numbered. Peter Hawley, one of the founder members of the association, counselled that we should all make a supreme effort to raise more interest and keep the association alive. If this fails to attract more support, then is the time to approach our French colleagues to make alternative arrangements.

9. **Date of next meeting:** Next year's AGM will be set in early February.
Meeting closed 9.30 pm