# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PENDLE TWINNING ASSOCIATION HELD AT NELSON TOWN HALL, NELSON ON 16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2015

### PRESENT -

David Carter, in the Chair

Mr B. Harrison Dr B. Evans Mr P. Clegg Mr R. Rostron

Mr P. Langstroth Mrs C. Clegg Mr I. Graham

Councillor R. E. Carroll

(Apologies for absence were received from Councillors K. E. Shore and Nadeem Ahmed, Mr A. Leo, Mr J. David and Mrs J. David.)

#### 1. **MINUTES**

## **AGREED**

That the Minutes of the Twinning Committee meeting, held on 21st October be approved as a correct record.

#### 2. TWINNING UPDATE

An update on twinning had been circulated with the agenda. Six twinning members from the Marl Twinning Association had brought over a stall for the Food Festival in Colne on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November. Rodney Rostron reported that although the weather was dreadful, there were gueues for their sausages and glühwein. They made a profit of 700 Euros.

Peter Langstroth hoped to have more progress to report at the next meeting on a possible horticultural link with Creil and Marl. He was attending a meeting of the Colne Horticultural Society later that evening and the Colne Allotment Society AGM in February.

A French teacher at Pendle Vale was in touch with an English teacher at the Collège Michelet in Creil about developing a school link.

The Pendle Walking Festival would take place 13<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> August, and it was suggested that walkers from Creil and Marl be officially invited to take part. It was hoped that Sue and Chris Marshall, Walking Leaders who had taken part in the Oise Forest walk in the autumn, would help in finding accommodation with other walkers.

The Ibis Hotel in Carlisle had been provisionally booked for the Twinning holiday 3<sup>rd</sup> -7<sup>th</sup> July. Rodney Rostron talked members through the draft programme and costings (based on 40 people) which included the visitors staying in Pendle on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July and possibly Friday and Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> July. The detail of the programme would be finalised within the Carlisle Working Group.

## **RESOLVED**

- (1) That a letter be sent on behalf of the Twinning Association thanking Colne Town Council for their help in arranging for Marl to be part of the Food Festival and their support at the event.
- (2) That Marl and Creil be sent the programme for Carlisle with costings for single and double accommodation (as there were no twin rooms at present), saying that there were 30 places, and asking for a 25% deposit (non-returnable unless a replacement is found) by the end of January.

## 3. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Honorary Secretary reported that the current balance was £955.96.

# 4. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on 17<sup>th</sup> February at 5.30p.m.