

**MINUTES OF A MEETING  
OF THE PENDLE TWINNING ASSOCIATION  
HELD AT NELSON TOWN HALL, NELSON  
ON 15<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2017**

**PRESENT –**

*David Carter (Chairman, in the Chair)*

*Mr B. Harrison  
Councillor D. Whalley  
Mrs J. David  
Cllr (Mrs) K. Shore*

*Mrs C. Clegg  
Mr I. Graham  
Dr B. Evans*

*(Apologies for absence were received from Mr E. Myers, Mr P. Clegg, Ms A. Melton and Mr R. Rostron.)*



**1. MINUTES**

**AGREED**

That the Minutes of the Twinning meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2016 be approved as a correct record.

**2. TWINNING UPDATE**

Members were given an update on events planned for the coming year. Details had been circulated with the agenda.

The Mayor had now received the programme for the visit to Marl in March, which included a trip to the town's waste depot and the unveiling of a plaque outside the Town Hall in memory of John David.

There was also going to be a Twinning meeting with Marl's MEP to look at projects/events for the year ahead. Members noted that they had already committed £600 in 2017/18 to contribute towards the Pendle Youth Choir's trip to Marl in October. If the Association was going to contribute towards the costs of young people taking part in the Summer School and Youth Event in 2017, there wasn't really scope for doing more.

It was now doubtful that anyone from Marl would be able to take part in the Walking Festival. However, Creil was still planning to bring a group of 10 people who would need accommodation and help getting to and from the airport and daily walks. Twinning members were asked if they could help with accommodation and transport.

Chorzow had volunteered to host the International Youth Event for a week in August/September and was in the process of applying for EU funding which would help with transport costs for participants. If it went ahead, Pendle would be invited to send five young people and a group leader.

The Creil Festival was usually held the third weekend in June, to which the Mayor and twinning members would be invited. The date had not yet been confirmed.

There had been talk of Creil organising a twinning holiday to Brittany this autumn although no details had been received.

### **AGREED**

- (1) That Earby Town Council be asked about availability at Earby Youth Hostel 12-16 August, in case it was needed for hosting twinning visitors for the Walking Festival.
- (2) That Creil be asked for details of the twinning holiday to Brittany and confirmation of the date for the Festival in June.

### **3. FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

The Honorary Secretary reported that the current balance in the Twinning Account was £1110.89.

### **4. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next meeting would be held on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 5.30p.m. at Nelson Town Hall.