### **TWINNING UPDATE- JANUARY 2018**

### Dance workshops with Tanzmoto Dance Company

This professional dance company from near Marl were hoping to perform in Liverpool on 25<sup>th</sup> March but unfortunately rising costs have prevented this. They had also offered to hold 5 or 6 workshops in Pendle working with young people before or after their performance.

Although their performance has been cancelled some of the dancers would still like to hold workshops with young people in Pendle sometime. Discussions are taking place with Pendle Vale School and Sanderson's Dance Studio in Nelson. *Is this something that Members would want to support this year?* 

### Visit by Creil choir C4 to visit Pendle 8-10 June

The leader of the C4 choir, Catherine Meunier, met David Wilkinson whilst the Pendle Youth Choir was in Marl last October and they talked about a joint collaboration. Catherine would like to bring 30 young members of the choir to Pendle in June on a coach to perform with the Pendle Youth Choir. Coldwell Activity Centre is already booked that weekend and so Whitehough Outdoor Centre is a possible option for accommodation.

This trip would be part funded by Creil Twinning Association, the 2 choirs and Pendle Youth Choir is happy to arrange the itinerary. *Members are asked if they would like to provide some funding towards this visit.* 

### Creil Festival 17<sup>th</sup> June

Twinning Members are invited to the Creil Festival in June. Nicolle has been in touch with Aileen Rostron about having an exhibition of her work at the Matisse Gallery to coincide with the Festival weekend. *Nicolle would like to know if anyone will be going this year.* 

# Marl visitors in Pendle – 18<sup>th</sup>- 22<sup>th</sup> June 2018

A group of 32 people from Marl are visiting Pendle for 4 nights in June to see more of the area. They will stay at the Fence Gate Lodge and hire a coach for days out to York, Manchester, Liverpool and Chester. They also plan to have a day around Pendle. There will be 4 spaces on their 36 seater coach if anyone would like to accompany them and help show them the cities. The Pendle Youth Choir has indicated that they would like to perform for them one evening whilst they are here — either the first evening, Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June, for a meal at the Fence Gate or later in the week at the end of their day in Pendle?

## International Swimming Competition, Creil, 29th June to 2nd July

The Swimming Association of Creil is inviting 7 young people aged 12-17 accompanied by 1 or 2 adults to take part in a swimming competition in Creil. This follows on from the event last year in Marl, when representatives from Colne Swimming Club took part. *Members are asked if they would like to contribute to the travel costs of Pendle competitors.* 

## Walk in the Oise Forest 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> September

Pendle is invited to send 4 or 5 people to take part in the Walk in the Oise Forest on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Walkers are expected to pay for their flights. Accommodation and most meals are provided by Creil Walking Club/Creil Twinning Association. *Please tell any experienced walkers you know who might be interested to contact me for further information.* 

## Pendle Walking Festival 11<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> August

Creil would like to send up to 10 people to take part in this year's Walking Festival. Marl is also hoping to send a group of walkers. We will be looking for hosts nearer the time. *We also need to think about hosting them one evening.* 

### Running Club link

Last year, Marl's running club were looking at the possibility of flying themselves over to Pendle to take part in in the Pendle Running Festival in July 2018 and then staying on for a few days to see more of the area, staying at a local hotel/B & B. Someone in their group has a pilot's licence.

If they are still interested runners from Creil could also be invited and maybe they could join in Pendle's Parkrun on the Saturday morning.

### Arts Link with Nelson and Colne College

Teachers from the Arts Department at N & CC have welcomed the idea of their students collaborating with arts students in Marl and Creil on a joint project. Initially the teachers are going to exchange ideas with a view to taking this forward.