

**MINUTES OF A MEETING  
OF THE PENDLE TWINNING ASSOCIATION  
HELD AT NELSON TOWN HALL, NELSON  
ON 29<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2022**

**PRESENT –**

*Mr I. Graham (Chairman, in the Chair)*

*Councillor B. Newman  
Mr. P. Mousdale  
Mr. I. Graham*

*(Apologies for absence were received from Mrs J. David, Mr R. Rostron, Mrs A. Rostron, Mr P. Carr, Ms. A. Gander and Councillor Y. Iqbal.)*



**1. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED**

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022 be approved as a correct record.

**2. PARTNERSHIP WORKING WITH BUILDING BRIDGES PENDLE**

Shabaz Ahmed from Building Bridges Pendle did not make it to the meeting to speak about the possibility of organising and hosting a digital conversation between Marl, Creil and Pendle.

**RESOLVED**

That Shabaz Ahmed be invited to the next meeting.

**3. TWINNING UPDATE**

An update on twinning events had been circulated prior to the meeting.

We were still awaiting the delivery of Twinning colouring books from Marl aimed at young children. We could then decide how to distribute them to primary schools in Pendle.

Rodney and Aileen Rostron and Peter Rushton represented Pendle Twinning Association at the Creil Festival. Members looked forward to hearing about their visit at a future meeting. The Mayor was unable to attend the Creil Festival and had given his apologies.

One Pendle Twinning Association member would be accompanying the Colne under 18s football team to Marl in August. Pendle Twinning Association had previously agreed a grant of £1,000 to this team.

Three members of Pendle Twinning Association would be attending the Loire Castles trip in September which was being organised by Nicolle in Creil. We had received a programme and costings for the trip.

The 2023 Members' trip was discussed, with London as the venue. Hedi in Marl, who had been on most of the trips, had indicated that London would be a popular destination. The Chairman outlined work he had done on this. It was anticipated that it would be towards the end of September 2023. The Chairman had made enquiries about a 5-night (ie. 6-day) trip to London, with attendees flying direct to London. He had been looking at hotels just outside the centre, located close to a Tube station. Pendle MP Andrew Stephenson had agreed to organise a tour around the Houses of Parliament. The itinerary for the trip had not yet been developed, but The Chairman cited museums, a show one evening, the London Eye, art galleries, and a river trip (which would need to be booked early) as ideas.

## **RESOLVED**

- (1) That members of the Colne under 18s football team be invited to the next meeting to talk about their visit to Marl.

### **3. FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

The Honorary Secretary reported that the current balance in the Twinning Account was £6,739.18. This does not include the Council's discretionary grant for 2022/23, which is £750 and which will be applied for in due course.

### **4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Cllr. B. Newman mentioned the recent Pendle Festival of Culture in Nelson as of possible interest to our twin towns.

### **5. DATES OF FUTURE MEETING**

Members agreed that the next meeting should be held at 5.30p.m. on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October at the Town Hall, Nelson.