

TWINNING UPDATE (July 2023)

Visit to Creil:

The Mayor, Mayoress and Vice Chair participated in the visit to Creil in June.

Creil choir, C4, made up of young people, gave an inspiring performance. The Mayor advised them that he would like them to come and perform in Pendle.

At the official meeting on the Saturday morning, there was a presentation about the International Youth Event which Creil is proposing to host in 2024 at the Carrozd'Arraches site in Creil'Alpes. It would probably be for 16 – 19 year-olds, with up to approx. 5 places per twin country. The date has not yet been set.

Marl's peace pole project was also mentioned. Marl has decided to set up one peace pole in Marl each year for the International Day of Peace of the United Nations (September 21st). Expressions of peace are written on the peace poles in the languages of all Marl's twin towns.

The idea of the Chairman doing a formal handover of the small peace pole to The Mayor on September 21st 2023 was mentioned.

Wreath-laying in memory of Jean Claude Caberet, such an important figure in the Creil-Pendle-Marl twinning partnership, took place on the promenade which now bears his name.

The Creil Festival had to be cut short during the Creil Colors concert due to the weather conditions, however earlier in the day it had been as impressive as always in terms of the number and variety of Creil Associations participating.

Promoting the Twinning Association

A valued Twinning Association member advises that she will be retiring from her job at Burnley College in early August. This means that she will be available to help with the committee's work on promoting the Twinning Association amongst younger people, through schools and Nelson and Colne College and in any other ways agreed. Her job at Burnley College, where she's been teaching A-level French for the last seven years, means that she has a few Modern Foreign Language (MFL) contacts in Pendle schools and is familiar with the MFL curriculum, which will be very helpful.

Venue of meeting

The next Twinning meeting at 5.30pm on Tuesday 11th July 2023 will take place in the Wilson Room at Nelson Town Hall.