

Minutes of the Committee Meeting of the Haverfordwest Twinning Association held in the Council Chamber, 2 Picton Place, on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019 At 6.30pm.

Present:-

Cllr Sue Murray (President) Roy Thomas (Chairman) Charles Davies (Vice Chairman) Patricia Lewis (Secretary) Derek Griffiths (Treasurer) Brian Griffiths, Pat Lewis, Hillary Price, Barbara Morgan, Shirley Thomas, Cllr Chris Thomas, Peter Lewis, Cllr Alan Buckfield, Dean Campbell, Mike Lewis, Ellen Repton, Jane James, Cllr Michael Mathias.

Apologies:-

Sheila Williams.

Minutes:-

The Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018 were proposed, seconded and unanimously accepted as a true record.

Matters Arising:-

There were none.

Chairman's Report:-

Roy thanked everyone for attending and wished them a Happy and Prosperous New Year. He also welcomed Cllr Michael Mathias to his first meeting. He went on to report that he had been invited to take part in the Civic Carol Service as Chair of Twinning. He also reported that he had received a letter from the Oberburgermeister of Oberkirch apologizing for the fact that they could not visit Haverfordwest this year but that they would be visiting with a large party in July 2020. The party would include Herr Willie Stachele who was the Oberburgermeister who made the first approaches regarding a Twinning Agreement over thirty years ago.

Roy then reported on the meeting he and Derek had with the Head teacher of Haverfordwest High VC School. It had been a pleasant meeting in which Mrs Harries had accepted the suggestion that the school should send a group of young musicians to perform in Oberkirch. Two teachers and twelve students had been the suggested number and there was the possibility that she would attend herself. 12<sup>th</sup> July 2019 had become the preferred date because of the availability of both teachers and pupils.

It was hoped that Roy and Derek would soon have another meeting with the Head to firm up arrangements and ascertain the availability of the Tasker Milward Hall for a concert to raise money for the students travel expenses. Roy said that the Chairman's Chain had been brought up to date and thanks were afforded Shirley for repairs at no cost to the Association.

Financial Update:-

Derek reported that there was little change from his last report. He had not received a bill for the final night at Broad Haven and was hopeful that he would not receive one in the future. The Bank Balance stood at £5,267.68p.

Future Programme:-

Charles reported that he had approached coach companies for prices. As this was reckoned to be the busiest time of the year, only three had quoted.

Edwards - - £280 per person

Taf Valley - £349 per person

Richards - - £217 per person

It was decided to book Richards Bros as their price was reasonable and they had served us well on a number of previous occasions. It was noted that these prices could change after 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

It was decided to hold a Quiz Night during Festival Week as we did last year and all agreed with Pat that we should hold a Bingo Night in the Autumn.

The visit of the Oberkirch Artists was due in the Autumn. Sue was in contact with the VC Gallery and was pleased to know that the Association stood by to give assistance if required.

Date of the Next Meeting:

The next meeting was to be the Annual General Meeting. As the Council Chamber was deemed too small for such a meeting it was decided to meet in the Services Club on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 6.30pm.