

WELLINGTON & DISTRICT TWINNING ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF MEETING ON WEDS. 16th DECEMBER 2015.

THOSE PRESENT : Brian and Phyllis Harpham, Chris and Judith Gwatkin, Tom and Dorothy Heaton, Kate Smith, Ken and Pat Brazier, Edna Shepherd, Eileen Shervey, Penelope and John Stokes, Liz and Bob Owen, Patrick Stuart, Pete and Dill Buchanan, Margaret Atkinson.

APOLOGIES : Chris and Gill Broad, Colin and Ann Pearce, Barbara Farmer, Eve Bosyj.

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed. Brian stated as this was our traditional Christmas meeting it would be short as refreshments were being served.

FINANCE AND MEMBERSHIP REPORT : John reported that since the last meeting we have held our Christmas concert at Christchurch but he cannot give the final figure on the profit made as some of the money raised still has to be apportioned to those taking part, namely church, choir and band. We did make £ 48 – 00 on the raffle.

Total money currently in the funds is £ 4300 - 00.

Brian said that he was disappointed at the poor attendance at the concert and when all the money is sorted out there will be very little profit in it for the Association and for all the work involved it is doubtful if we will do it again.

John reported that the membership is now 28.

MARKETING AND PUBLICITY : Brian said that in the New Year he will be attending a meeting with Wellington Council Re ; further publicity for the Association and a new poster for the Civic Centre. Dill Buchanan suggested trying Wellington Street Life as an outlet. This is a local facebook account and said that we can advertise Twinning events in the magazine ‘ Out and About ‘ , as long as we get the information to them by the 10th of each month.

FORTHCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS : The only event coming up is our Annual Dinner at Wrekin Golf Club on **Weds. 20th January 2016 (7 o'clock for 7 – 30)**. Price for meal is £ 19 – 50 per person. All those attending must pay John Stokes by 13th January at the latest and menu selection to John or Brian also by that date. The meeting decided that we should have a raffle so any prizes would be gratefully received. (See below the details of Brian and John's addresses).

ANY OTHER BUSINESS : Some members still say that they are not receiving the minutes of our meetings so Pete Buchanan suggested that he would put the details on the website so we have a permanent record over a period of time.

Dill said that as structural work was being done at Christchurch there are a number of pieces of carved wood at the church which are available if anyone would be able to make use of them.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT THE WREKIN TAP ON WEDS. 17th FEBRUARY 2016 AT 7 – 30 pm.

Cheques for the Annual Dinner made payable to Wellington & District Twinning Assoc.

(£ 19 – 50) to John Stokes, Brookside, Shawbirch Road, Telford TF5 0AB. By 13th January.

Menu choices to Brian by 13th January 2016 at 1 Aston, Wellington TF6 5AE. (Tel : 740315)

MENU DETAILS FOR TWINNING ANNUAL DINNER

WREKIN GOLF CLUB ON WEDS. 20th JANUARY 2016 (7 for 7 – 30 pm)

Starters : Crispy Camembert with salad.

Homemade Cream of Mushroom Soup.

Crispy Whitebait with salad.

Mains : Lamb Shanks served on a bed of Mashed Potatoes.

Cod Loin with a Parmesan Crust and Spinach.

Chicken stuffed with Sweet Potato wrapped in Filo Pastry

(Above all served with seasonal vegetables)

Choice of sweets

Coffee and Mints