

Helston & District Town Twinning Association

Meeting held 14.1.2020 at The Guildhall, Helston

Present: Phil Hanman (Chairman), Martin Bywaters, Jon Osborne, Nicola Boase, Ann Muller, Anne Tryhorn, Lesley Ibbotson, Ann Higgins, Ben Walsworth-Bell Neil & Shirley Bassett,

Apologies for absence: Giuliana Hanman, Annabella Waite, John Boase & Felicity Blight.

1. Christmas Fundraiser

- PH thanked everyone for their hard work in making it such a great success.
- There are plenty of mulled wine sachets and cups left over for next year
- Wine made approx. £300, raffle £204 (star prize won by one of Giuliana's students)
- Books sold well at reduced price of £5 - made £40
- One mug at £7.
- Treasurer has not paid rent for the fundraiser as we were previously advised by the Council that hire of the hall was free of charge. Nicola Boase pointed out however that the council's intention had been that the hall was f.o.c for meetings.

2. Italian visits to Helston 2020

a. Flora Day – 6th – 13th May

- The Italians would like to bring their Mayor, a Councillor and possibly more if we are able to host.
- At the meeting the following people offered to host:
Neil & Shirley – 1, Anne Tryhorn – 2 females or a couple, Jon Osborne – 1 or 2, Ann Higgins – 1, Ann Muller 1. Martin & Ruth and Ben may be able to host. John & Nicola offered to have an open house on Flora Day.
- PH to ask Trisha if she would like to dance as applications need to be in by 31st January.
- Places to visit suggested were: Bodmin jail, Lanhydrock, Bodmin Regimental Museum, Camel vineyard, Zennor Tinner's pub on music night, Lelant (National Trust) & Geevor mines, Marconi Centre, Twinning tree at Penrose, Trereife House, Penzance.
- PH to ask Susi / Trisha for names of those wanting to come as this will help our arrangements.
- As the new Italian mayor will attend PH will email Chris Dawson to find out protocol including finances.

b. 20th – 30th July

- Trish would like to bring 4/5 13-15 year old girls and will hire a car in Helston. JO offered to host 2 or 3 and Liz Griffiths could take one with Trish staying with family.

3. Treasurer's report –

- MB read and explained the report which showed a healthy bank balance. Copies are available by request.
- The Twinning Council for Cornwall have asked PH for payment for Helston subs and public liability. PH will advise them that they have never received any paperwork to show we have public liability before payment is made.

4. **AOB** – Future meetings, until the next AGM, will be 7pm at the Guildhall.

5. **Bottle raffle** – The wine was won by Martin

6. **Date of next meeting** – 7pm Monday 9th March.

