

## **HEBDEN ROYD TOWN COUNCIL**

### **Meeting of the TWINNING COMMITTEE Held 19<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2013**

#### **MINUTES**

**PRESENT :** Councillors: Davenport (Chair from minute 56), Timbers & Young.

**HRTC Council Clerk : J Boom**

**55. ELECTION OF CHAIR/VICE CHAIR 2013/14**

It was **proposed** by Councillor Young

**Seconded** by Councillor Timbers

**Unanimously resolved:** that the Chair of the Twinning Committee for 2013/14 be Councillor Davenport with Cllr Trickett acting as Vice Chair.

**56. APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE AND ANY SUBSTITUTIONS**

Apologies were received and reasons accepted in respect of Councillors Boggis, Fekri (Councillor Young substituting) & Trickett.

**57. MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

No interests were declared.

**58. To report on matters arising from minutes of meeting held 31<sup>st</sup> October 2012 not itemised on this agenda.**

None were noted.

**59. COUNCIL YEAR 2013/14**

It was confirmed that no formal or friendship visits were due until May 2014.

At this time a delegation would be invited to Warstein (9<sup>th</sup> May).

It was **proposed** by Councillor Davenport

**Seconded** by Councillor Young

**RESOLVED:** that a delegation of 4 attend from Hebden Royd Town Council with gifts for both Warstein & St Pol to be presented, up to a maximum cost of £600.

HBDIG confirmed they intended to use the year to publicise their group and its aims & objectives. Additionally they intend to organise a trip to St Pol in late May 2014 to celebrate the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Twinning of St Pol & Hebden Royd. The committee encouraged HBDIG to apply to the Community Funding Committee to support this trip.

It was agreed that the Tour de France and the Celebration of the Liberation of St Pol be discussed at the next meeting.

**60. MAYORS TWINNING SUPPORT FUND**

It was **proposed** by Cllr Young

**Seconded** by Cllr Davenport

**RESOLVED:** that a written report be submitted by Cllr Trickett.

**61. TWINNING ANNIVERSARIES 2014**

It was **proposed** by Cllr Young

**Seconded** by Cllr Davenport

**RESOLVED:** the International Group Apply for funding from the Community Funding Committee, HRTC Councillors be canvased regarding attending the St Pol May 2014 Trip and that the International Group present to council on the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2013.

**62. HEBDEN ROYD & GOLEGA**

Communication was considered from the owners of the Hebden Bridge Equestrian Centre (located in Old Town, within Wadsworth Parish).

It was **proposed** by Cllr Young

**Seconded** by Cllr Davenport

**RESOLVED:** that HBDIG collect further information relating to the request for closer contact with Golega and that information should be provided to them to assess.

**63. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was **proposed** by Cllr Young

**Seconded** by Cllr Davenport

**RESOLVED:** to alter the date of the next meeting to Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30pm.

# **HEBDEN ROYD TOWN COUNCIL**

## **Meeting of the TWINNING COMMITTEE Held 7<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2013**

### **MINUTES**

**PRESENT: Councillors: Davenport, Boggis, Fekri, Timbers.**

**Also: D Parry, M Edwards, J Newton**

**HRTC Council Clerk: E Green**

**182. APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE AND ANY SUBSTITUTIONS**

Apologies were received from Phillip Dean with Mike Edwards substituting.

**183. MEMBERS INTERETS.**

No interests were declared

**184. COUNCIL YEAR 2013/14**

Civic representation will be required on the following dates in 2014.

**Europe Day**

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May in Warstein

**35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations St Pol & Hebden Royd**

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May to Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May in St Pol

**Tour De France**

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July in Hebden Bridge

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations Warstein & St Pol**

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August to Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August in Warstein

**Celebration of the Liberation of St Pol**

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September in St Pol

In respect of Europe Day

It was proposed by Cllr Fekri

Seconded by Cllr Timbers and

**RESOLVED:** That the Mayor should attend, and will require two small token gifts, for both Warstein and St Pol. The maximum amount of £600.00 set aside in minute 59 will not be required for this visit alone although £100-£150 may be required.

In respect of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the twinning of Warstein and St Pol

It was proposed by Cllr Fekri

Seconded by Cllr Timbers and

**RESOLVED:** That a delegation of the Mayor and three councillors represent Hebden Royd and that a budget of approximately £500.00 is made available for travel and gift expenses. Flights should be booked as soon as possible to ensure the best value.

185.

**TOUR DE FRANCE**

Following discussion

It was proposed by Cllr Fekri

Seconded by Cllr Davenport and

**RESOLVED:** That the Mayors and Deputy Mayors of Warstein, St Pol, Pietrapaola and Blatná, along with the Chairs of their 'international groups' should be invited, by Hebden Royd Town Council to Hebden Bridge for the weekend of the Tour De France. The International group will organise accommodation and a programme of activities. The Council should also look in to the possibilities of hosting/facilitating a Cultural Weekend, with an international Market, films at the Picture House and entertainment, coordinating activities with CMBC.

186.

**CELEBRATION OF THE LIBERATION OF ST POL**

Mike Edwards gave an interesting presentation about the history of war memorials in the area, highlighting that twinning is the product of war.

It was proposed by Cllr Fekri

Seconded by Cllr Boggis and

**RESOLVED:** That a book of remembrance for Hebden Royd should be created. Mike Edwards and Emma Green are to work on this. In addition a letter should be written to St Pol to ask what their official plans are to celebrate the liberation. Other ideas included a football match and identifying the graves of local men who died in the war in St Pol.

187.

**TWINNING ANNIVERSARIES 2014**

Following discussion

It was proposed by Cllr Fekri

Seconded by Cllr Davenport and

**RESOLVED:** that a delegation of the Mayor plus four councillors should attend paid for by the Twinning Committee and that other councillors should be encouraged to attend. The expected cost will be in the region of £50/60 per person. The Price of a coach is £2000 each, it is hoped that there will be two coaches, and it is expected that the International Group will apply to the Community Funding Committee. The suggestion of a model fustian knife (like in St Georges Square) was suggested and a cost for this should be identified. A painting was also suggested.

188.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2013 at 6.30pm

## **HEBDEN ROYD TOWN COUNCIL**

### **Meeting of the TWINNING COMMITTEE Held 6<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2013**

#### **MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Councillors: Davenport (Chair), Dixon, Halewood & Timbers.

**Also:** P Dean & J Newton.

**HRTC Council Clerk:** J Boom.

**330. Apologies for Absence and any substitutions**  
Apologies were received from Cllrs Fekri & Boggis.

**331. Members' Interests relating to agenda items for this meeting.**  
None were noted at this time.

Note: Cllr Timbers arrived.

**332. BUDGET 2014/15**  
Following a lengthy discussion considering the commitments of the Twinning Committee across two financial years.  
It was proposed by Cllr Dixon  
Seconded by Cllr Timbers and  
**RESOLVED:** that a budget of £5000.00 be requested from the council in 2014/15.

**333. COUNCIL YEAR 2013/14**  
It was proposed by Cllr Davenport  
Seconded by Cllr Halewood and  
**RESOLVED:** that the Chair of Twinning accompany the Mayor to the Europe Day Celebrations on the 11<sup>th</sup> May 2014 in Warstein.

**334. TOUR DE FRANCE**  
It was proposed by Cllr Davenport  
Seconded by Cllr Dixon and  
**RESOLVED:** that HRTC do not invite the representatives of Blatna and Pietrapaola to the celebrations due to logistical issues and that upon receipt of replies from St Pol & Warstein a programme be developed.

**335. CELEBRATION OF THE LIBERATION OF ST POL**  
The Clerk reported that no reply from St Pol had been received confirming the event.  
It was proposed by Cllr Dixon  
Seconded by Cllr Davenport and  
**RESOLVED:** that the International Group approach ASPI in St Pol to seek clarification.

**336. TWINNING ANNIVERSARIES 2014**

It was proposed by Cllr Dixon

Seconded by Cllr Halewood and

**RESOLVED:** that members of the Twinning Committee be initially asked to attend this Celebration and then to invite other members of council should the 3 (plus the Mayor) places not be allocated.

**337. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date for the next meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2014 at 6.30pm.

It was proposed by Cllr Halewood

Seconded by Cllr Timbers and

**RESOLVED:** that when the next schedule of meetings be prepared that the Twinning Committee scheduled meetings be arranged at 7.30pm on a Tuesday evening.

Meeting Finished at 7.50pm

## **HEBDEN ROYD TOWN COUNCIL**

### **Meeting of the TWINNING COMMITTEE**

**Held 29<sup>th</sup> January 2014**

#### **MINUTES**

**PRESENT: Councillors: Davenport (Chair), Bampton Smith, Dixon & Timbers.**

**Also: D Parry, P Dean & J Newton.**

**HRTC Council Clerk: J Boom.**

**460. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllrs Fekri & Halewood with Cllr Bampton Smith acting as a substitute for Cllr Halewood.

**461. MEMBERS INTERESTS**

None were declared at this time.

**462. MATTERS ARISING**

None were noted at this time.

**463. TOUR DE FRANCE**

It was confirmed that replies had been received from Warstein & St Pol with a delegation of 4 from Warstein attending including representatives from WEF. Accommodation was to be allocated via the Hebden Bridge Twinning Society and the programme to be as follows:

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July**

With Hosts a welcome at the Town Hall should travel arrangements allow.

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July**

AM – Free

PM – Guests of Town Mayor at Mytholmroyd Gala

Evening – Picture House/Meal

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July**

AM - With Hosts/Tour de France

PM – With Hosts/Tour de France

Evening – Meal/Picture House

A small gift to be provided to each guest.

**464. EUROPE DAY – WARSTEIN Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May**

It was confirmed that the Town Mayor and the Chair of the Twinning Committee would be attending along with one guest. Flights have been purchased.

**465. TWINNING ARRANGEMENTS 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY ST POL/WARSTEIN 2014**

It was confirmed that Cllrs Dixon, Davenport and Timbers attend at the councils expense in St Pol (29<sup>th</sup> May – 1<sup>st</sup> June) for the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary between St Pol and Hebden Royd.

It was confirmed that Cllrs Dixon, Timbers and Trickett would attend the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations of St Pol & Warstein at the council expense (29<sup>th</sup> August – 31<sup>st</sup> August).

**466. LIBERATION OF ST POL**

It was confirmed that Cllrs Boggis, Dixon, Davenport & Timbers attend the Liberation of St Pol Ceremony on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2014 at the councils expense. Arrangements to be made once the Hebden Bridge Twinning Society have identified those attending.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING – April 2<sup>nd</sup> 2014 at 6.30pm**



## **HEBDEN ROYD TOWN COUNCIL**

### **Meeting of the TWINNING COMMITTEE Held 2<sup>nd</sup> APRIL 2014**

#### **MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Councillors: Dixon, Boggis & Halewood.

**Also:** D Parry, P Dean, M Edwards, J Newton

**HRTC Council Clerk:** J Boom

**584. APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE AND ANY SUBSTITUTIONS**

Cllrs Davenport, Fekri & Trickett.

**585. MEMBERS INTERETS.**

No interests were declared at this time.

**586. HEBDEN BRIDGE TWINNING SOCIETY**

Items were covered under item 5 of the agenda.

Note: Cllr Halewood arrived.

**587. GOLEGA**

David Parry reported on a successful initial friendship visit to Golega in Portugal. The friendly hosts had provided the group with extensive tours, listed in the attached report and the HBTS provided recommendations, again outlined in the report.

Note: Cllr Boggis arrived.

**588. TOUR de FRANCE WEEKEND**

It was proposed by Cllr Halewood

Seconded by Cllr Dixon and

**RESOLVED:** that the guests be made welcome at the Picture House on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July and that a social meal for guests and hosts be arranged by the clerk for Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July.

**589. DIARY OF EVENTS**

The diary of events was reviewed.

It was proposed by Cllr Halewood

Seconded by Cllr Boggis and

**RESOLVED:** that arrangements be considered for linking travel between Warstein (50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations SP & W) in August & St Pol (Liberation of St Pol) in September.

It was proposed by Cllr Dixon

Seconded by Cllr Boggis and

**RESOLVED:** that the Councils of St Pol & Warstein be approached regarding a joint celebration of the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary HR & St Pol, 20<sup>th</sup>

Anniversary HR & Warstein in Hebden Royd on the weekend of the 25<sup>th</sup> May 2015.

**590.**

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The Clerk confirmed the date of the next meeting as Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2014 at 7.30pm in the Council Chamber.