

COMBERTON TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the 14th Annual General meeting held on Wednesday 4th June 2014 in the Village Hall

Committee members present

Peter Mitton (Chairman)	Brian McCabe
Amanda Bacon (Treasurer)	Ann Webb
Glynis Ellis (Secretary)	Stephanie Young
Brenda Brown	

Members present

Margaret and Paul Hardy	Barbara Mitton
Ivan Brown	Rachel Cook
Janet McCabe	Andrew and Paula Hollick
Chris Westgarth	Jean Bacon
Sandra Hyde	Sally Maynard
Nerys and Malcolm Wright	Vincent Young
John Gresham	Steve Webb
Jane and David Hughes	

1 Apologies for Absence

Mark Collins, Ann and Mark Housden, Pauline and Stephen Grounds, Louise Povey, Sarah Redsell, Gillian Gresham.

2 Minutes of the A.G.M held on the 1st May 2013

The minutes were accepted as a true record and approved by all members present, proposed by Amanda Bacon, seconded by Margaret Hardy.

3 Matters arising

Mary Catlin has not yet been given a gift. A voucher was suggested.

4 Chairman's report

A copy of this is attached. Paul and Margaret Hardy had represented CTA at Le Vaudreuil's walk in September.

5. Secretary's report

At the last update in March, 23 households had renewed membership (41 adults and 15 children). One new family with 2 children has joined. Ursula Patmore resigned from the committee and the association. This number will be updated as some members have now paid.

6 Treasurer's report*

The balance at the bank as at 31st December 2012 was £1,910.05. There should be enough in funds for the next visits as we have the barbecue and quiz to come. The accounts were adopted, subject to audit (by Terry Coad), proposed by Jane Hughes, seconded by Chris Westgarth and passed by members present.

7. Election of Members

Ursula Patmore resigned in January. The remaining committee members were all re-elected, proposed by Jane Hughes, seconded by Margaret Hardy and agreed by all members present. Two new members were elected: Rachel Cook, proposed by David Hughes, seconded by

Brenda Brown and Paul Hardy, proposed by Andrew Hollick, seconded by Ann Webb.

8. Suggestion for any future fund raising/social events

The Meridian Golf Club has been disappointing this year so we will not go there again. It was suggested that we have a social event to include children instead of or in addition to the annual dinner or other adults' only event. Suggestions included a Sunday lunch in the village hall or at a child friendly venue nearby. The secretary will ask members for ideas. Suggestions for an evening event were a meal at a French restaurant, at Bourne Golf Club with a possible 20% discount for Health club members or a wine tasting session. Jane Hughes and Sandra Hyde will research the latter, either using a supermarket/wine merchant or booking Alan Armstrong from the Wine Club.

9. Any other business.

We agreed to invite the families who took part in the anniversary panto to the barbecue as a thank you and a possible incentive to join.

The committee will investigate the possibility of an earlier start to our visits to France, which could include a stop at a place of interest en route. Suggestions included the visit coinciding with school holidays or writing to the schools to allow the children to leave early.

A request was made to ensure all members receive information about hosts and guests when they visit from Le Vaudreuil: the chairman apologised for the oversight, which had been rectified when pointed out.

The meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.