

NEWBURY TWIN TOWN ASSOCIATION

2002 Working Party

Minutes of a Meeting held at the Town Hall, Newbury on 26 October 2001

Present: Mr W J Turner (Chairman), Cllr C Hillman (President), Mesdames J Lewis, J E Turner, and M Wallace-Sims, and Mr J Johnston and by invitation Mr D J Jessett.

Apologies for absence were received from Mesdames Anfield, James, and Peel, and from Cllr M Rodger, and Mr T Smith (Chief Executive) who had been invited by the Chairman.

1. **Minutes of the meeting held on 27 September 2001:** The Chairman signed these as a true record.
2. **Committee decisions/comments on the Working Party Minutes dated 27 September 2001:-**
Date of commencement of the Reunion should remain the original date.
3. **Review of proposals for weekend of 23/27 May 2002:**

The Chairman reported that he, Mrs Anfield, Mrs Turner and Mr Johnston had inspected the facilities at Rushall Farm, Bradfield on 25 October 2001, with the assistance of Mr J Bishop of the John Simonds Trust. They had also interviewed the partners in Pang Valley Woodland Products, who could provide and carve a Hog Roast. The four members were satisfied that a Barn Dance and Hog Roast would be a worthwhile entertainment for our foreign guests. **RESOLVED** that

- (a) the evening of Saturday, 25 May 2002 be so allocated; and
- (b) the evening of Friday, 24 May 2002 be allocated for indoor Bowls, with a Fish & Chip supper.

The Working Party then considered in detail a further revised draft Programme produced by Mrs Lewis (copies previously circulated). Mr Johnston tabled a revised draft Budget reflecting that Programme, and made appropriate amendments to the Budget as the Working Party made several amendments. The Chairman commented, when relevant, on the 2001 Reunion held at Carcaixent, and reported that the French would be celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the twinning with Newbury during the weekend of 15/19 November 2001, when the International Committee meeting would be held in Bagnols -sur-Cèze. Newbury had ignored that Anniversary in 2000. It would be sensible to mark that event with that of Eeklo. With regard to the venue of the Feltre twinning ceremony, the President agreed to approach Bayer plc for the use of its ground floor on the afternoon of Saturday, 25 May 2002. He would also discuss with his successor the venue and form of the Civic Service following the Mayor Making ceremony on the Sunday morning.

In light of those decisions, Mr Johnston commented that the overall financial effect appeared to be within the resources of the Association, provided that the Town Council paid its 2002 Grant early in 2002 and met the expenditure relating to the Twinning with Feltre and the commemoration of the Bagnols-sur-Cèze and Eeklo Anniversaries. **RESOLVED** that the Town Council be so informed, and the Committee be asked to sanction, in principle, the appropriate expenditure.

4. **Formal communication of the latest position to Newbury Town Council:** The President confirmed that the Agenda of the Council Meeting to be held on Monday, 29 October 2001, had an item to receive a presentation by the Association on the plans for the International Reunion 2002. He suggested that copies of the draft Programme and Budget as now revised by the Working Party be provided for each member of the Council, and that the Chairman accompanied by Mr Johnston attend the meeting to give the presentation and answer questions. **RESOLVED** accordingly.

5. **Date of next meeting:** Thursday 29 November 2001.

The meeting closed at 2055.



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PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES FOR 2002 REUNION (23-27 May 2002) - updated 26 OCT 2001

Summary:

1. NTTA Finances:

	£
At Bank (late Oct 2001)	7410
Newbury Town Council Subvention for 2002	<u>1300</u>
	<u>8710</u>

2. Allocation of Funds:

Funds specifically held for Reunion from subventions	2000
Funds for twinning visits to Feltre & International Ctte in Bagnols	2000
Not yet Allocated	<u>4710</u>
	<u>8710</u>

3. Reunion Funding (see following table):

Estimated Costs:	Newbury Twin Town Association	5570
	Newbury Town Council	<u>575+</u>
		<u>6145+</u>

J Johnston
(Hon. Treasurer NTTA)