**BARROW UPON SOAR TWINNING ASSOCIATION**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY JULY 7TH 2015**

**AT 37 NEW ST**

**PRESENT**: VG, JH, SR, GH, JF, JF, KT

**1 APOLOGIES**. ER,HD, TL

**2 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON JUNE 23RD**

 These were accepted as correct.

**3 MATTERS ARISING NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE**

 There were none

**4 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Graham had already circulated the accounts for the visit. The estimate for

 the costs of the visit was accurate.

 The stall at the Street Market raised £194.69. Thanks were expressed to all

 who helped.

 A banner had been bought at a cost of £29.00

**5 REVIEW OF THE VISIT**

Was the programme too crowded?

The shared meals worked well. Sharing in the preparation helped.

**WE NEED TO THINK SERIOUSLY ABOUT THE PROGRAMME FOR 2017 WHEN WE CELEBRATE THE 20th ANNIVERSARY. SHOULD WE DISCUSS THIS AT THE NEXT AGM TO INVOLVE ALL MEMBERS?**

Perhaps the Pie Night might be a better forum as there are likely to be more people there.

We need to think of visits which involve no more than one hour’s journey

Coaches have become very expensive. If we use a coach for outings then the places we visit need to be free of charge’

Suggestions for possible visits:

Newark- Civil War

Stamford

Southwell- Minster, Workhouse, Horology Museum

Peter le Marchant boats

Coventry-Kenilworth

Wigston-Ruddington Frame work knitting

Races- Leicester, Nottingham, Southwell, Uttoxeter

Potteries.Trentham

Derbyshire mills

THANK YOU LETTERS. Kathryn to write these

Parish Council

Sylvia and Richard

Peter and Tilly

Jeanette has thanked the people who opened their gardens, they had been very happy to meet our guests

Val will update the web site and write an article for the Barrow Voice

Cecile has offered to compile a cookery book

RETURN VISIT TO MARANS

Suggested date is the end of August to coincide with a music festival in a beautiful park. However tickets could be a problem

The Music teacher at HP might be interested in taking his musicians to Marans

Do we need to take a present when we go to Marans as the Mayor gave us a present last time?. Should the Parish Council commission something from a local artist: Painting on glass? Rosie Hudson’s large flower paintings.?

**6. SOCIAL OCCASIONS**

Pimms and Puds August 2nd  at Sue and Graham’s Cost £6.00

Kathryn to send out letter asking for offers of puds. Replies by 27th July to allow for catering etc.

Petanque: The Soar Bridge on Sept 12th . £8.00 with lunch. Matt Gudger to coachQuiz: Oct 30th Bishop Beveridge Club booked and Alan is available

Pie Night: Nov 20th Bishop Beveridge Club booked

Theatre Visit: Cats at Loughborough Town Hall in January . Jeanette to investigate

Christmas Lights: Mulled wine as fund raiser.

**7.AOB**.

It was suggested and agreed that the minutes of committee meetings should be sent to all members.

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