Windermere - Diessen Twinning Association

The Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 14th March 2013 at the Marchesi Centre Windermere – 7.00pm – 9.00pm

The Chairman, Jenny Borer, welcomed 11 members and friends.

1. Apologies for absence:

A. Pearson, M. Rigg, H.Ogden, L.Haywood, W.Haywood, D.Weardon, S. Thompsom, M. Orrom, F. Orrom.

2. Minutes of the AGM on 31st March 2012:

The Minutes were read and agreed as a true record

3. Matters arising from the minutes:

No matters arising not covered by Agenda items.

4. Chairman's Report:

The Chairman went through the written report of the year's events, visits and future events which had been given to Members on arrival, which was accepted.

5. Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Norman Borer, went through the accounts for the year ending 31st December 2012 which had been audited and after minor amendments were signed and accepted as a true record. The grant of £500.00 from Windermere Town Council had been gratefully acknowledged.

6. Memberships/Subscriptions

It was noted that memberships had declined after the trip to Oberammergau and now stands at 30 Members plus 3 Corporate Members. The membership subscription is to remain at £10.00 per person to cover costs of administration and necessary Public Liability Insurance for when we organise events.

7. Election of Officers:

The Chairman had indicated that she may be wishing to step down this year but had agreed to continue for a further year. As no other proposals were put forward the Officers were re-elected for 2013/2014: Chairman: Jenny Borer, Treasurer: Joan Jones; Minutes Secretary: Job share between Joan Stocker or whoever is available at committee meetings. Vice Chairman and Secretary posts remain vacant. The Chairman thanked Norman for his work as Treasurer and also Rosemary who had been very supportive.

8. Election of Committee Members

Existing committee members were unanimously re-elected, there being no new members this year.

9. Future events and visits

Our annual Garden Party will be held at the Fairfield on Saturday 8th June, and all Members and Friends are welcome. We are grateful to Tony and Liz for their continued hospitality for this fund raising event. On Saturday 20th April Staveley Choral Society will be performing Carl Orff's Carmina Burana at Lakes School and several of our Diessen friends will be coming to join in with the performance. We will be helping in various ways including running a raffle on the day to help cover costs.

School exchange visits continue with the Carl Orff School group arriving in early May and the Lakes School return visit to Diessen will be in July. We will be having a stall St Mary's Church on May 18th for their Community Day, and are working with the Chamber of Trade exploring the idea of holding a Christmas Market in December.

10. Correspondence:

All matters had been dealt with earlier in the meeting.

11. Any other business:

Date of next Committee Meeting -Thursday, 11th April 2013, 7.30pm at the Burnside Hotel

The Chairman closed the meeting and thanked everyone for their attendance. General discussion and questions followed with refreshments being served and a showing of photographs sent from Diessen following their group visits during the year, with thanks to Geoff Stocker his technical expertise!