



## **WINDERMERE – DIESSEN TWINNING ASSOCIATION**

### **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**PRESENT:** Jenny Borer – Chair (JB); Adrian Faulkner – Secretary/Treasurer (AF); Joan Jones (JJ); Cllr. Christine Hallatsch (CH); Sheila Ricketts (SR); Clive & Brenda Watson (CW & BW).

1. **Apologies for absence** – Peter Bayliss; Sue & Martin Dawes, David Eccles; Hazel Macfarlane, Rosemary Park.
2. **Minutes** of 'paper' AGM held on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023 – previously circulated.
3. **Matters** arising not covered by agenda  
Nothing to report.

**Accepted**

#### **4. Chairman's Report**

Jenny requested a minutes silence out of respect for 2 members who had passed away, Cllr, Leith Hallatsch and Mary Wane, then went on to report;

- 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations was a terrific event for all concerned with members of Diessen Twinning and the Blassergruppe taking part.
- Diessen chair reported that their AGM would be held in October and that Annie would be our contact in diessen. Annie had been elected Vice-Chair with Fabian continuing as Chair. English Night had gone ahead, but only 5 Diessen members had attended.
- The Blassergruppe would to come and visit in 2025 and Peter Bayliss had indicated his willingness to work with Heinz on the musical side with Hazel providing the accommodation.
- It was suggested that The Windermere-Diessen Twinning Association be given a further 12 months to see what happens in Diessen
- The Windermere-Diessen Twinning Association was an 'arms length' organisation of the Windermere and Bowness Town Council.

**Accepted**

#### **5. Treasurer's Report**

Adrian Faulkner reported the financial position as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023 (Year end)

Cash - £46.35

Bank - £1,150.83

There are currently 12 members and 1 corporate member.

**Accounts accepted**

#### **6. Membership Subscriptions**

The Treasurer recommended that the subscriptions should remain at corporate membership, £15.00 and individual membership, £10.00 per annum.

**Agreed**

#### **7. Election of Officers**

The following officers were elected by the meeting en bloc:

Chairman	Mrs Jenny Borer
Vice Chair	Cllr. Christine Hallatsch
Secretary	Mr Adrian Faulkner

Treasurer        Mr Adrian Faulkner  
Liaison Officer   Mr Adrian Faulkner – new post

8. **Election of Committee Members**

The following were elected to the committee and it was agreed to hold meetings or call on people 'as and when' needed.

The officers as above plus, Peter Bayliss (Music and Band Groups). David Eccles, Rosemary Park (Interpreter).

AF continues to represent the Twinning Association for the Windermere & Bowness Chamber of Trade and also the PFA of St. Cuthbert's Primary School.

**Agreed**

9. JB reported that the grant from the Windermere & Bowness Town Council may not be needed for the forthcoming year.
10. A quote had been obtained for a smaller plaque to be placed in the Diessen Garden on the Diessen Promenade similar to the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary one. The quote was for £300. Permission had been given by the Westmorland and Furness Council for its erection.

**Agreed**

11. **Future Events** As covered by the chair's report.

12. **Correspondence**

There was no correspondence other than that reported throughout the year.

13. **AOB**

No matters arose.

14. Date of next committee meeting – **To Be Advised**

15. Date of the 2024 AGM – **To Be Advised**