

HEBDEN BRIDGE TWINNING SOCIETY

Formerly HEBDEN BRIDGE & DISTRICT INTERNATIONAL GROUP

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 12th November 2018

- Present:** D. Parry (President), M Edwards (Vice-President), E. Ross (Treasurer), J Jackson (Secretary/Communications Officer), P Dean, W Downs, S & B Collins, J Newton, A & M Welham, C Dellen & J Stewart.
- Apologies:** A Bridges, A Bibby, J Scullion, J Robinson, J Scholefield, M Dean, Cllr P Fraser, R Dixon.
- Minutes of the Last Meeting:** The minutes were proposed (M Edwards), seconded (P Dean) and approved as a correct record.
- President's Report:** David Parry reported that it had been a busy year. Timo Galvaire and Lisa Severin (both in Hebden Bridge for work experience had been hosted at the beginning of the year. In March 10 students from the College Salengro had been hosted as part of their exchange with Calder High, while Thea Nolte and Miriam Mues from Warstein were hosted in July when they were on work experience at Hebden Royd C of E Primary school. Our friends from St Pol visited us in May, and an official delegation from Paratico came to Hebden Bridge in June. In August/September we supported the summer camp for learning English in Paratico. D Parry thanked J Jackson and E Ross for all their work throughout the year, and M Dean for her delicious crem tea. The meeting combined to thank D Parry for his work as President.
- Treasurer's Report:** The annual accounts for the year were circulated (copy attached) and the Treasurer gave a report on the Society's income and expenditure to year end September 2018. She noted the deficit of £576.13 for 2018 compared with the deficit of £85.21 in 2017. The General Fund Balance stood at £2,765.32 at the end of the financial year. There was £338.36 cash in hand and £2,561.82 in the bank. The accounts were proposed, seconded and accepted by the meeting, with a vote of thanks given to the Treasurer. It was also proposed that from 2019 the membership fee for adults should rise to £12 per annum and for youth members to £6 per annum. The meeting agreed to the proposal.
- Elections:** There was a bloc vote from the meeting to appoint the officers as follows:

Position	Nomination	Proposer	Secunder
President	D Parry))
Vice-President	M. Edwards))
Secretary	J Jackson))
Treasurer	E Ross))
Communications Officer	J Jackson) W Downs) B Collins
Twin Links Representatives	J Jackson))
Representatives of the HBTS to the HRTC*	J Jackson, M Edwards, D Parry In reserve: W Downs, P Dean, J Newton))
Vulnerable Persons and Child Protection Officer	M Edwards))

*It was noted that the HRTC had accepted our proposal to re-constitute the Twinning Committee.

- Constitutional Amendment:** D Parry moved that a Special General Meeting be convened to remove the post of Social Secretary and replace it with "Any officer with specific responsibility who may be required from time to time. The meeting agreed that this should take place on December 10th 2018 before the Business Meeting.
- Amendments:** Amendments to the Constitution may be made at the A G M or at an E G M by a majority of not less than two thirds of those present. Notice of proposed amendments shall be circulated to all Officers and Members not less than ten days before the general meeting.
- Vulnerable Persons and Child Protection Policy:** M Edwards reported that as requested a travel policy had been added to our overall Vulnerable Persons and Child Protection Policy. The meeting approved the update and thanked M Edwards for all his work.
- Date of Next A G M:** The next AGM will be on Monday 11th November 2019.