

## **About the Hebden Bridge Twinning Society (HBTS)**

The main purpose of the HBTS is to develop friendship links of all kinds between Hebden Bridge and District and local communities in other countries.

Our 2 twins are St Pol-sur-Ternoise in France located in rolling wooded countryside to the south-east of Calais between Arras and Montreuil (with good train links to Paris). Our second twin is Warstein in Germany in a wonderful landscape of hills, lakes and forests to the east of the Ruhr.

Both towns have lots of sporting and social activities and interesting places to visit. Past visits have included musicians and bands from Hebden Bridge and joint concerts have been very popular.

Perhaps the key element in all the exchanges is the way in which they encourage new friendships while reinforcing the ties of friendships that have been developed over the years.

Potential new members of the HBTS are very welcome to come on our twinning visits – or to join in activities when our twins visit us. The current annual membership fee is a very reasonable £12 with a youth membership annual fee of £6 per person.

Our Youth Fund also helps pay for younger people from Hebden Bridge and District to join us on visits, and to take up placements in our twin towns.

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