

Minutes of AGM held on Zoom October 9th 2021

Present. Brentwood, Bury Compiegne, Beccles, Dunmow, Chelmsford, Haverhill, Waltham Abbey, Hadleigh, Stansted Rungis, David Whiteing, Sudbury, Lowestoft

Guests - Penny Dosseter, Norfolk/Norwich/Rouen Association.

Apologies for absence from Felixstowe, Panfield, Great Waltham

1. Richard Allen welcomed participants and introduced our guest speaker, Mme. Josefine Littmann of Plaisir, who spoke eloquently of the early days of twinning and her experiences.
2. Neil Morris, who was hosting the technical aspects of the meeting, went offline and was not able to manage break-out rooms as planned, but the meeting continued.
3. Discussions on the topics raised went ahead with all participants together rather than in break-out rooms.
4. Ideas have been noted and will be distributed separately
5. Minutes of AGM 2021 - accepted.

Proposed by Pat pulham, seconded Richard Pulham.

6. Matters Arising - none

7. Accounts

David Whiteing was thanked for his role of Treasurer for the last 15 years.

Account statements had been circulated in advance.

The only movement on the account had been £42.00, the website fee for OneSuffolk.

Balance now £244.52

8. Elaine Oddie of Chelmsford was elected unanimously to the position of Treasurer.

Proposed - Mary Dunk, seconded by Richard Pulham.

9. New banking arrangements will need to be made, Nat West Bank to be notified of change of signatory and election of new Treasurer.

10. Lowestoft have kindly invited us to meet at the Seagull Theatre in person, October 8th 2022. Invitation accepted.

AOB - Use of copyright material on websites, checking the vaccine status of twinning visitors, difficulties of maintaining local interest in twinning were also discussed.

Meeting closed 11.44