

## Newtown Twinning Music Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes date/time 22nd January 2024 at 7.00pm

Present: Kate, Robin, Alwena, Andrew

Apologies: Cheryl

Andrew has now been invited to join the subcommittee as he is in contact with Mike of Owens's coaches regarding the travel arrangements. Geoff and Gloria were invited to the meeting but were unable to attend.

## Zoom meeting

Last Friday evening Kate had a zoom meeting with Marie The and Nelly. They had a number of questions which needed to be discussed and they are awaiting our answers.

- 1 Number of people visiting especially the number of 18 year olds and younger
- 2 Our choice of a film for one afternoon
- 3 Proposing a visit to the Lycee / College for conversations with students
- 4 Ideally they would like us to arrive by 5pm so that the Mayor would be able to meet us at the Reception on Arrival.
- 5 During Friday night's meal Gloria's gang and Geoff's folk group to play for 20 to 30 minutes as well as a local group Les Joyeux Vendeens.
- 6 Could the coaches be used for the visits around the town and the visit to Clisson

These questions were discussed thoroughly. As this is a musical exchange visit it was felt strongly that having travelled all that way the musicians involved should have as many opportunities as possible to perform. As well as the main concert on the Saturday evening it would be ideal if they could perform at the Lycee, possibly in the foyer of Hyper U, in a local Bar, in Clisson during the visit etc. It would make the public in LH more aware that the Welsh are in town!

It was felt that the film afternoon wasn't necessary

It would be doubtful to arrive by 5pm!

The choir and folk group need every opportunity to perform not only on the Friday evening for 20/30 mins

Kate was going to contact Nelly to arrange a meeting to discuss these issues.

Numbers and Payment

Band Members 22 Folkgroup 14

Gloria's Gang 20 maybe 5 more (Andrew to contact Lowri to clarify)

Committee 4

Total 65

Leaving 25 spare seats

Andrew to advertise the visit on the website and on our mailing list.

Booking and deposit from non musicians to be made by Feb 16th. Final payment from all by Feb 29th

The final cost will depend on the numbers but will not be more than £220

Travel arrangements

Depart Newtown Tues April 2nd 22.30

Depart Les Herbiers 08.30 Sun April 7th

Calais to Dover 15.50 P&O

Arrive Newtown 22.30

It was decided that Gloria' gang could be picked up in Wels pool Leisure Centre if they wished.

See attached details and proposed itinerary for the visit

Date of next meeting Feb 19th 7pm Kate's