

Twinning committee

Date: Thursday, 04 October 2018

Time: 16:00

Venue: Mancroft room, City Hall, St Peters Street, Norwich, NR2 1NH

Committee members:

Lord Mayor (chair)
Councillor Fullman (vice chair)
Councillor Brociek-Coulton
Councillor Fullman
Councillor Huntley
Councillor Maxwell
Councillor Peek
Councillor Raby
Councillor Thomas (Vi)
Councillor Wright
Ralph Gayton (El Viejo)
Waltraud Jarrold (Koblenz)
Jill Noble (Koblenz)
Sandra Underwood (Novi Sad)
Doug Underwood (Novi Sad)
Chris Rowe (Rouen)
Ann Rowe (Rouen)
Chairman (Norfolk County Council)
(ex officio)

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	Petitions must be received must be received by the committee officer detailed on the front of the agenda by 10am on Wednesday, 3 October 2018.	
	For guidance on submitting public questions or petitions please see appendix 1 of the council's constitution.	
3	Declarations of interest	
	(Please note that it is the responsibility of individual members to declare an interest prior to the item if they arrive late for the meeting)	
4	Minutes	5 - 10
	To approve the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 14 June 2018	
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6	Twinning Committee budget	23 - 24
	Purpose - To note the current financial position of the	

twinning fund

- 7 Twinning Fund – Grant applications - Triorca Trust and 25 - 30**
Norfolk and Norwich Rouen Association
Purpose - To consider grant applications

Date of publication: **Wednesday, 26 September 2018**



Twinning committee

16:00 to 17:10

14 June 2018

Present: Councillors Fullman (vice chair in the chair), Brociek-Coulton, Huntley, Lubbock (substitute for Wright) Maxwell, Peek, Raby and Thomas (Vi); and Ralph Gayton (El Viejo), Waltraud Jarrold and Jill Noble (Koblenz); Peter Beckley MBE and Wendy Quinn (Novi Sad) and Ann and Chris Rowe (Rouen)

Apologies: Councillors Schmierer and Wright, and Sandra and Doug Underwood (Novi Sad)

1. Appointment of chair

Three nominations for the chair were received for Councillors Fullman, Raby and Schmierer.

RESOLVED to appoint Councillor Schmierer as chair for the ensuing civic year

2. Appointment of vice chair

RESOLVED to appoint Councillor Fullman as vice chair for the ensuing civic year

3. Public questions/petitions

There were no public questions or petitions.

4. Declarations of interest

Councillor Brociek-Coulton declared an other interest in item 6 (below) as she was a member of the Friends of Norwich in Bloom.

Councillor Fullman declared that he was a member of the Norfolk and Norwich / Rouen Friendship Association, the Norfolk and Norwich Novi Sad Association and the Norfolk and Norwich/Koblenz Friendship Association.

Councillor Lubbock declared that she was a member of the Norfolk and Norwich Novi Sad Association and the Norfolk and Norwich/Koblenz Friendship Association.

Councillor Raby declared that he was a member of the Norfolk and Norwich El Viejo Friendship Link and the Norfolk and Norwich / Rouen Friendship Association.

Councillor Vivien Thomas declared that she was a trustee of the Norfolk and Norwich El Viejo Friendship Link.

5. Minutes

RESOLVED to agree the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 15 March 2018

6. Norwich in Bloom – Proposal for a Twinning Garden in Norwich

(Councillor Brociek-Coulton had declared an other interest in this item)

The chair invited Beryl Blower to give a presentation to the committee on the possible installation of a twinning garden.

Beryl Blower said that in 2016, she had been looking for a site to set up a twinning garden and identified the All Saints church on Westlegate as a suitable site. A grant was given by the Royal Horticultural Society to purchase plants for the garden and the theme was agreed to be 'the medieval church' which mirrored a twinning garden installed in Koblenz. The proposal was subject to planning permission.

A gothic window structure would be included in the garden design which would echo those in the All Saints church. Herbaceous planting would be extended to the surrounding areas within the churchyard.

The churchyard had disabled access and would also be visible from Westlegate. There was already a bench in the churchyard but another would be installed. The gate to the churchyard would be locked at night.

Funding was being sought from the Geoffrey Watling Trust and a response was awaited from John Lewis to secure funds for a ramp into the churchyard.

She was asking for the twinning committee to be involved in planning the garden and suggested that it would be nice to have national or local flowers from each of the twinned cities being included in the design of the garden.

The chair commented that older residents from the Ber Street area needed somewhere to break their journey into the city so an additional bench in All Saints church would be welcome.

In response to a member's question, Beryl Blower said that hopefully a plaque would be included on the existing sign in the churchyard describing the gardens. She would also like some of the smaller windows in the display to be pertinent to the twinned cities but had to be respectful of the churchyard area.

Waltraud Jarrold said that she was pleased that the idea of a twinning garden was being continued after the success of a similar garden in Koblenz. She offered to raise the issue with the John Jarrold Trust for potential further funding.

Members discussed the possibility of including flowers that were significant to each of the twinned cities and the need to ensure that plants chosen were suitable for the climate.

RESOLVED to:

- (1) thank Beryl Blower for her presentation on the possibility of a twinning garden in the All Saints Church on Westlegate; and
- (2) ask twinning committee members to send information to Beryl Blower on local or national flowers of each of the twinned cities.

7. Reports of the Twinning Associations

Norfolk and Norwich/Rouen Friendship Association

Chris Rowe presented the report. He said that the City of Ale celebrations included whiskey and beers produced at the Northmaen brewery in Rouen. The Rouen brewers would be attending the 2019 City of Ale celebrations and would be sailing to the festival on a schooner to moor at Riverside.

The 60th anniversary would be in 2019 and he would be visiting Rouen for this event. He hoped that there would also be a civic presence for this visit and an invitation would be extended to the Lord Mayor.

Norfolk and Norwich Novi Sad Association

Peter Beckley MBE presented the report. He said that it was a very busy time with follow up work from the civic trip to Novi Sad. An invitation had been extended to the Mayor of Novi Sad to visit Norwich to see how problems were solved here. There had been some visa issues with the visit but he was hopeful that this would be resolved and the visit would take place in October.

Norfolk and Norwich/Koblenz Friendship Association

Waltraud Jarrold updated the committee on the activities of the Norfolk and Norwich/Koblenz Friendship Association. Forty years of twinning had been celebrated and some work would possibly be taking place with the Sainsbury's centre to mark the occasion. The association would be the host for Triorca orchestra this year and grants were being sought for accommodation.

She highlighted the sponsored cycle ride from Koblenz to Norwich taking place in August and said that Koblenz would be accommodating the group in a city hotel.

The German conversation group was going well

Norfolk and Norwich – El Viejo Friendship Link

Ralph Gayton presented the report. He said that there had been violence in Nicaragua and that he had not heard from the local representative since the violence began, despite repeated communications. He would continue trying to make contact and would report back at the next meeting.

Peter Beckley MBE thanked Ralph for the report and said that the work of the twinning associations transcended politics, but it was important to be aware of these complex situations.

The twinning committee expressed their concern for the local contact in El Viejo and welcomed an update on the situation at the next meeting.

RESOLVED to receive the reports from the twinning associations.

8. Twinning committee budget

The democratic and elections manager presented the report. He said that there had been no expenditure so far this year. He reminded the committee to fully complete applications for grants and send these through to the democratic services team. He suggested that any grant applications received between meetings should be agreed by the chair and vice chair.

RESOLVED to:

- (1) note the twinning committee budget report; and
- (2) agree that any applications for grants received between meetings of the twinning committee would be delegated to the democratic and elections manager in consultation with the chair and vice chair.

9. Annual grants for the twinning associations

The democratic and elections manager presented the report.

RESOLVED to approve the annual grants of £200 to each of the associations.

10. Application for grant – Paul Cross Memorial Concert

Wendy Quinn presented the application. She said that the Paul Cross Memorial concert was a great event to raise public awareness of twinning. The funding would be spent on advertising and covering other costs.

RESOLVED to grant £250 to the Norfolk and Norwich Novi Sad Association for the Paul Cross Memorial Concert.

11. Application for grant – Triorca

Peter Beckley MBE presented the application. He said that the Triorca Trust was formed to manage the finances for the orchestra and was headed by three directors.

The democratic and elections manager informed the committee that the application received was incomplete and that the senior committee officer had asked the Triorca Trust for additional information.

RESOLVED to note that an application for a grant had been received from the Triorca Trust and the completed application would be circulated to the chair and vice chair for agreement once received.

CHAIR



NEWSLETTER

Norfolk & Norwich Novi Sad Association

Dedicated to Friendship

Editorial: G. Piccolo
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On the 28th July the Triorca European Youth Orchestra delighted its audience with an outstanding performance. The young musicians, apart from the well deserved appreciation, also experienced some unexpected "drama" on the way to the concert (see Peter's article).

It is the end of August - yes, already!- and the date of departure for the annual Novi Sad trip is round the corner. Sandra, from the Novi Sad travel agency Kompass, is putting together the last details of the visit. I am sure every participant will enjoy the visit and those of us who cannot join them will have to wait for the article in the next newsletter to have a taste of their experience.

The visit will also be an opportunity for the Association to take to the "Milan Petrović" School some of the funds generously donated for its pupils.

THE TRIORCA EUROPEAN YOUTH ORCHESTRA.

28 July 2018

Peter Beckley, MBE

The visit to Norwich of the Triorca European Youth Orchestra can only be considered as a fantastic success!

Sixty-seven young performers from the three centres of Novi Sad, Koblenz, and Norwich spent a busy week rehearsing and playing together. Many friendships were renewed and many more begun in an atmosphere of International co-operation that is very rare at this time when there is very little financial support from authorities. It is probably the only local organisation at the moment that fosters European pupil exchange. The importance of sponsorship and grants has never been greater and a donation from the Norfolk & Norwich Novi Sad Association (The Paddy Goldring Fund) enabled the Serbian contingent to make a significant contribution to their share of the costs.

Invitations to receptions at City Hall and County Hall provided an opportunity for some of the youngsters to demonstrate their musical skills and for everyone to meet 'those who help'.

The support of 'OPEN' at Bank Plain was nothing short of incredible as they acted as 'hosts' to the orchestra - providing a space for everyone to congregate, eat, and rehearse. The youngsters were able to recognise this as their 'base' and, being so central in

Norwich, provided ample opportunity to look round the City with the Norwich youngsters acting as 'guides'.

Programme
Contuctor – Nicholas Daniel

Sergei Prokofiev - Peter & the Wolf
Narrator: Alistair Farrall-Daniel

Erich Korngold –
Violin Concert in D major
Soloist – Julia Hwang

Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky –
Symphony no 5.

The Tutors and other professionals worked wonders in a short space of time honing and polishing performances - building on weeks of preparation by the 'home teams'.

One of the 'highlights' of the visit was a visit to the 'Proms' at the Royal Albert Hall. The coach driver had time to divert and provide a short tour of London's famous streets and buildings. The whole event proved to be of such success that the Serbian contingent remarked that their lives are now divided into the "period before the Promenade Concert at the Royal Albert Hall and the period after!"

The concerts were considered to be 'mind-blowing' by many of the participating youngsters. The concert at OPEN in Norwich on the evening of the penultimate day was considered by many to be the best performance by an orchestra at that venue and was of a quality that is expected of visiting professional orchestras to the City.

The final day and the visit to Saffron Hall at Saffron Walden proved to be quite an adventure. The coach that was taking all the orchestra and tutors to the venue from Norwich caught fire on the way!

Once the orchestra, their instruments and their luggage were safely on the bank of the A11 we get the impression that the young people thought it was great fun and a sort of 'entertainment' laid on for their benefit! We understand it was 'all smoke' and no conflagration.

As far as the organisers were concerned the delay in getting a substitute coach (which was smaller and had to 'shuttle' backwards and forwards in to collect two batches of performers) meant hours of delay and a complete rescheduling of rehearsals as well as finding time to feed everyone and get them composed before the performance. The sheer professionalism of all involved provided a concert of exceptional quality which is probably best summed up in the following observation by our Hon. Vice President Paul King and his wife Hester:

"....We were simply bowled over by the concert and the tremendous talent of the Triorca European Youth Orchestra.

Julia Hwang gave a stunning performance and it is hard to believe she is only 22.

The Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 5 was played as well as we have ever heard it. Nicholas Daniel was such an enthusiastic and outstanding conductor.

How marvellous it must be for these young people to get together for a week and, in such a short time, to achieve the standards of any one of the great Symphony Orchestras. The final work was a tour-de-force...."



2018 Summer Outing – Waveney River Cruise

Members of the Association took to water this year aboard the Waveney River Princess which took us on a gentle sail from Oulton Broad up the River Waveney towards Burgh St Peter and Beccles.

It was a most relaxing mini-cruise through a typical Broads landscape of marsh reeds and low-lying water meadows,



overhung with willow and alder trees. The skipper drew our attention to a circling marsh harrier and pointed out the extensive works being undertaken by Suffolk Wildlife Trust on a large swathe of meadows to create bird-friendly waterways.

No doubt, visitors in the future will be able to come bird-watching and walk the length of the site along riverside pathways. We enjoyed the tranquillity of the scenery whilst the breezes were most welcome on what turned out to be a very warm July day.

The river cruise was followed by a very pleasant and sociable pub lunch at The Commodore Public House, overlooking Oulton Broad.

Dates for your diary

Annual Lunch

The Association Annual Lunch Will take place on the 14th October at the usual venue of Park Farm Hotel. Arrival at 12:30 p.m. for 1:00 p.m.

The price of the meal is £23

We need some Raffle Prizes

Same as last year, when a few of you contributed generously, we are asking for some prizes for the Raffle. Those of you who can, please contact Wendy Quinn:

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KONTAKT Newsletter

August 2018

Norfolk & Norwich / Koblenz Friendship Association



"Understanding and Friendship" our motto.

Welcome to the August KONTAKT reflecting on our programme of Seasonal events since the February newsletter

March 2018 The AGM at County Hall, a welcome tradition, in the presence of the Chairman of the County Council, Councillor John Wood, Mrs Rita Wood and the Lord Mayor of Norwich, David Fullman with his consort, Paul Goymer. We do value the use of the Edwards (or Cranmer) Room and gladly alter the layout to suit the event, and including the layout of the tables for the 'Buffet temptations' provided by members. The event was enhanced by musicians from the Norfolk Youth Orchestra under their Director of Music and oboist Juliet Rickard. The NNKFA donation has gone towards the Triorca in Norwich.

NNKFA Summer Outing 23 June A most memorable event. Thanks to Sandra Sheppard for organising it, and Brian and Brenda Horner for the lovely description "Vielen Dank"!

Triorca in Norwich 21 – 27 July, with a concert at OPEN in Bank Plain (the former Barclays Bank) at 7.30 pm on Friday 27 July and Saffron Walden on Saturday 28 July, before the visitors return home. We hope that as many members as possible will support this concert, given by these talented young musicians from Norfolk, and our twin cities and regions of Koblenz and Novi Sad. We are also expecting members of the Novi Sad Association to be present.

40th Anniversary of City Twinning Koblenz and Norwich

We mentioned this special event in our February Kontakt and it was celebrated in Koblenz on



Sunday 22 April with a generous reception hosted by the Oberbürgermeister Pro. Dr. Hoffman-Göttig in the historic Council Chamber, Rathausaal, of the City Hall, musically enhanced by the

"Junger Chor Koblenz", a very gifted and enthusiastic young choir.

We were pleased, with Jill Noble, to be able to join the then Lord Mayor of Norwich, Cllr David Fullman and his consort, David

Goymour for this special event, and it was wonderful to experience a "full house" of enthusiastic Twin Friends from not only the Koblenz-Norwich group, but also other cities with which Koblenz is twinned and many other links to Norwich through other groups and organisations.

Günter Hahn provided a big surprise with the publication of his "Tale of Twin Cities" book, accompanied by a slide show covering this period of twinning. This was a fitting 40th Anniversary present.

After the reception, which included speeches, by the Oberbürgermeister,





the Lord Mayor of Norwich and Waltraud, the Oberbürgermeister entertained the Lord Mayor and a number of us as guests to lunch, held outside in the unusually warm April weather. In the afternoon the Lord Mayor and his consort were able to visit the Festung Ehrenbreitstein and have a guided tour. On the Monday, they visited the City Library in the Koblenz Forum, and had a meeting with the Koblenz Economic Officer.



This was a truly memorable weekend and we are grateful to the Oberbürgermeister and the City of Koblenz for their amazing generosity and to Brigitte Finkemeier for all the time preparing and making sure that it ran smoothly.

The signing of the Golden Book of the City of Koblenz by the two Lord Mayors and Günter Hahn and Waltraud featured in the Koblenz Rhein Zeitung.



The NNKFA Summer Outing 23 June

NNKFA outing to Woburn Abbey a personal view.

There is a saying in Germany that "When the angels travel the sun travels with them" and so it was when our group of 48 left County Hall to head for Woburn Abbey on 23rd June. Secure in the knowledge that we were in the safe hands of our usual driver Mark we settled down for our 2 hour journey to the Palladian manor house and gardens.

We made good time and by 11am our Woburn host Lisa was welcoming us to the Abbey and gardens. When organising our outing Sandra and John Sheppard had realised that there was also a garden show in the grounds of the Abbey and so we were lucky to have an added attraction. Indeed not only were there a number of stands to explore but we had access to other parts of the estate not usually open to the public including the Sculpture gallery and the Duke and Duchess's private garden.



So after a cup of coffee in the Sculpture gallery we headed for the private gardens and the camellia house which was home to one of the most enormous bananas plants I have seen along with other impressive palms and succulents.

Walking out towards the garden show we saw a number of people sitting on large bean bags under a magnificent Cedar of Lebanon. Such a thoughtful touch I felt providing an opportunity for families to relax under the cool shade of this magnificent tree. A tour around the stands in the garden show left us with a number of decisions to make about which plants to take home given the constraints of the coach and just how many more plants we can squeeze into our garden. The choice was huge so we took the opportunity to think about it while sitting and listening to the music of the Bedford Town band who entertained us with music ranging from John Rutter to Oklahoma.



And so onto the house which has been in the ownership of the Dukes of Bedford since the time of the reformation when it was given to the family by Henry VIII. An exhibition on Humphry Repton helped us understand the way the estate has developed as did an exhibition curated by years 3 and 4 of the local school. The students had used objects from the Duke's collection to describe how the estate has changed over the centuries. Still used as a family home Woburn Abbey houses a number of collections from silver toasters (I've never seen so many different styles of toaster!) to priceless works of arts - the largest collection in private ownership. We spent some time wandering through the ornate rooms admiring the Canaletto, Velasquez and Rembrandts. While in the house we were offered the chance to hear a talk about the "Flying Duchess" and her husband the 11th Duke. The couple were great philanthropists. Examples of their generosity included building a hospital with free access and supporting the families of the soldiers who had enlisted in the Duke's Bedfordshire battalion. Indeed during WW1 the entire house was given over to the government for use by military staff. One of the rooms we saw had small holes in the Beautiful hand painted wallpaper where, we were told, the Wrens, who used the room for relaxation, had placed their dart board.



The Duchess had a range of interests including martial arts, nursing and flying. She and husband worked hard on the estate both for and with its workers and tenants until she sadly disappeared on a solo flight she was piloting to visit a friend in Norfolk. Her husband never recovered from this loss and after he died the house fell into decline. However it has since been carefully restored and is the home of the current Duke and Duchess. Alongside the splendour of the house it was good to see family photographs.

Leaving the house we had just enough time for a cream tea and, have a final look at the gardens and buy our plants before making our way back to the coach for our journey home. Safely back at County Hall we thanked Mark and Sandra and John for such an enjoyable day said farewell to our fellow travellers and set off for home with the sun still shining.

Brian and Brenda Horner



49th Feed the Minds Book Fair 13 – 16 June

This was opened by the New Lord Mayor Cllr Martin Schmierer, who was very generous with his time and showed great interest.

Thanks to all those who helped, particularly from NNKFA, we raised over 1500 pounds in aid of Burundi, which we are supporting for the second year. In Burundi, FTM and Rema Ministries are helping to reintegrate returning refugees who fled conflict. They have trained 10 church leaders from different denominations to support returnees land claims, working with current land occupants and the National Land Commission.

DUaM, Deutsche Unterhaltung continues weekly on Wednesdays from 10.30 – 12.00 noon at Mosel, 53a Keswick Road, (bus 50a from city centre), is increasingly popular. We are grateful to the group for regular contributions to Meningitis Now and Feed the Minds.

A sponsored Cycle Ride from Koblenz to Norwich.

Organised by cyclists from AVIVA, will leave Koblenz, Deutsches Eck, on Friday 24 August. The city of Koblenz is providing hotel accommodation at the Morjan for the night before, and the Oberbürgermeister David Langner will launch their ride. They will visit various Football Clubs in cities on the way back to Norwich .

They are raising money for the Community Sports Foundation to help it extend its work particularly among young people with health and other disabilities. You can find more details at <https://www.communitysportsfoundation.org.uk/fundraising-events/koblenz-norwich-cycle-challenge/> They will arrive in Norwich at the Sports Foundation Site behind Carrow Road Football Stadium on Monday 27 August. You can find details of sponsorship on the web page above.

BUGA Norwich Garden from Koblenz 2011 will be recreated at All Saints Church, Westlegate with the support of **Norwich n Bloom**, as a Twinning Garden with an additional contribution of Flower Planting linked to the Novi Sad and Rouen Twinning Associations. A welcome continuation indeed.

Norwich and District Photographic Society

Held their 102nd Annual Exhibition from 3 July, with a display of photos from Photoclub Koblenz. The whole show was excellent and imaginative.

Norfolk Amateur Radio Link: Malcolm Prestwood

On June 27 the chairman of the Koblenz Link, Marco (DM5ML), his wife Melanie and son and daughter joined us at DUaM while visiting Norfolk. Marco and his son also play in the "Postmusik Kapelle" Koblenz who are hoping that they can visit Norwich again from 30 May to 2 June 2019.

New Oberbürgermeister in Koblenz, David Langner was installed on May 1. He has a special link with Norwich through his English teacher at Lahnstein Johannes Gymnasium, Paul Dennis, who comes from Norwich and is an active committee member of NKFK ev, our opposite number in Koblenz.

Programme 2018

Sunday September 16 th	38th Anniversary Lunch	Park Farm, Hethersett (see separate details)
Monday December 3 rd	Advent Evening	Great Hospital

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L' Amitié May 2019

Hello Everyone,

We felt it was time to send out some information about coming events.

The Garden Party

This is being held on 14th July from 12 noon.

Venue: 26 Morello Close Norwich NR4 7NF

If you are intending to share this event with us, and we hope you will, please notify Beryl Blower to let her know if you will be bringing a savoury or a sweet dish of food and/or indeed drinks with you.

01603 452557

Future Events

1.Boat Trip

We are hoping to arrange a boat trip on our river in early September hopefully with refreshments included.

You will be receiving details of the date, cost, time etc when we have them.

We hope there will be a sufficient number of people interested so that this is a relaxing social event.

2. 2019 The 60th Anniversary of Norwich – Rouen Twinning

This is going to be a busy Summer!!

June 7 – 11th 2019 Norwich visit to Rouen

The visit will coincide with the Tall Ships Armada in Rouen.

We will be arriving on the 7th and departing on the 11th. Although we, as yet, have no definite timings it would be a good idea to contact your friends/hosts and inform them of your intentions to visit them at this time. Please liaise with Ann so that she is aware of who is going where.

Those of you who would like to book hotel places with the rest of the group need to put in a provisional request to Ann as soon as possible.

The Cathedral hotel is favourite for the group but we need provisional numbers to enable us to make this negotiation. Cost for the hotel will be as advantageous as possible. Availability might change our proposed plans.

I/We need to place our provisional booking very soon indeed.

We have no firm details yet as to what is planned for us but we are assuming that on Saturday 8th the Armada will be the main event. The reception, usually held at the Mairie, may also be on the Saturday. We have not been told this detail yet.

The rest of the programme has not been communicated to us yet but a visit to Monet's Garden is a possibility for those who would like to visit/revisit it on one of the days.

July 5 -8th 2019 Rouen Visit to Norwich

This visit will coincide with the Lord Mayor's Procession

The French Party will arrive on Friday 5th and will depart on Monday 8th.

We are hoping that on the Saturday a small (civic/twinning) delegation of our visitors will be invited to travel in the procession on the Civic Float with the Lord Mayor. The rest of us will watch and cheer from the roadside! Details are still a work in progress.

On the Sunday, 7th July, Beryl has offered her garden again for a Garden Party to include our French visitors. Details for this event will be available next year – nearer the time

Ann & Chris

Report to Twinning committee

Item

4 October 2018

Report of Director of business services

6

Subject Twinning Fund – Financial Position

Purpose

This report informs the committee of the current financial position of the twinning fund.

Recommendation

To note the balance of the twinning fund is approximately **£2154.07**

Corporate and service priorities

The report helps to meet the corporate priority to provide a prosperous and vibrant city. The twinning associations contribute to the council's service plan priority by promoting and fostering links and exchanges of all kinds between people of Norwich and the twin cities.

Financial implications

There are sufficient funds within the twinning account to cover this request.

Ward/s: Not applicable

Cabinet member: Councillor Packer, health and wellbeing

Contact officers

Stuart Guthrie, democratic and elections manager

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Background documents

None

Report

Twinning fund – financial position

1. The transactions since May 2018 are as follows: Opening balance: **£4,164.50**

Expenditure transactions in from May 2018 to August 2018 are below

Date	Transactions	£
May 2018	Book for Civic trip to Novi Sad	12.99
June 2018	Flight to Novi Sad	348.72
June 2018	Flight to Novi Sad	348.72
July 2018	Grant to Triorca Trust	500.00
August 2018	Norfolk & Norwich Novi Sad Association	200.00
August 2018	Norfolk & Norwich Koblenz Friendship Association	200.00
August 2018	Norfolk & Norwich El Viejo Friendship Link	200.00
August 2018	Norfolk & Norwich Rouen Friendship Association	200.00

Closing balance: **£2,154.07**

2. The expenditure this financial year is listed above.
3. Members of the committee are reminded that applications for grants for twinning related activities can be made by completing a form and contacting the city council. The committee may also wish to put aside funding to support twinning associations to hold special events to celebrate anniversaries in Norwich or to visit twinned cities.
4. We recommend that all associations submit a request for funding for twinning activities in 2018-19 which can be considered at meetings of the committee. This way we can plan expenditure for events and ensure that there is a fair distribution of funding.
5. The committee will consider a grant application for twinning activities later on at this meeting.

Report to Twinning committee

Item

4 October 2018

Report of Director of business services

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Subject Twinning Fund – Grant applications - Triorca Trust and
Norfolk and Norwich Rouen Association

Purpose

To consider a grant application received from the Triorca Trust.

Recommendation

That the committee:

- (1) notes the grant of £500 to the Triorca Trust;
- (2) approves the grant of £250 to the Norfolk and Norwich Rouen Association.

Corporate and service priorities

The report helps to meet the corporate priority for people living well. The twinning associations contribute to the council's service plan priority by promoting and fostering links and exchanges of all kinds between people of Norwich and the twin cities.

Financial implications

There are sufficient funds within the twinning account to cover these requests.

Ward/s: Not applicable

Cabinet member: Councillor Packer, health and wellbeing

Contact officers

Stuart Guthrie, democratic and elections manager

01603 212055

Background documents

None

Report

Triorca

1. Members were advised that the Triorca Trust would be making an application for funding at the last meeting of the twinning committee.
2. The Triorca Trust is a registered charity which was established to provide opportunities for young, gifted musicians from three European countries to perform together and receive tuition from recognised international tutors and performers. This provides the opportunity for the development of international understanding between the young people involved. The trust's objective is to provide the relief of financial hardship amongst young musicians particularly those selected to play with the international youth orchestra, Triorca, comprising young people from Norwich and Norfolk, Novi Sad and the Vojodina (Serbia) and Koblenz and Rheinland-Pfalz (Germany).
3. The trust has close relationships with the Norfolk and Norwich Novi Sad Association and the Norfolk and Norwich Koblenz Friendship Association and their twin associations in Novi Sad and Koblenz.
4. The Triorca hosted an international concert at Open on 27 July 2018 and a dress rehearsal at City Hall earlier in the week. The orchestra also held a concert in Essex on 28 July. The last concert of this type was held in Norwich in 2014 and Germany in 2016.
5. The application was received after the date of the last twinning committee and as agreed at the last meeting, the democratic and elections manager consulted with Councillor Schmierer (Lord Mayor and chair of the twinning committee) and Councillor Fullman (vice chair). The application is attached to this report as appendix A. Consideration was given to the request and it was decided to grant the request for £500 to pay for refreshments at the rehearsal session (hosted at City Hall) and the concert at Open.

60th Anniversary of the Norfolk and Norwich Rouen Friendship Association

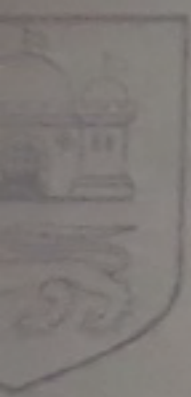
6. An application has been received from the Norfolk and Norwich Rouen Friendship Association for £250 as a contribution to the costs of bus hire and the coach driver's expenses for the association's visit to Rouen, 7 to 11 June 2019, as part of the association's celebrations to mark its 60th anniversary and to "perpetuate twinning links with Rouen.
7. The hire cost of the coach is £4,000. The grant of £250 is requested to cover the driver's expenses. Members of the association are expected to pay for their own travel costs. Assuming that 40 seats of the bus were filled this would mean that members are paying around £100 for their travel costs. The grant would assist with the financial burden if the association failed to fill all the seats. The applicant also states that a high proportion of the members travelling to Rouen live within the Norwich City Council boundaries (75 per cent).

8. As the 60th anniversary approaches, members of the association are considering other activities and events in Norwich to mark the event. An initial approach has been made to the council's civic office regarding the Lord Mayor's availability around Mayor Making in July 2019 and it is therefore likely that the association will make further requests for funding in the near future.
9. Members should also be aware that any visit and associated costs from potential visits by the Lord Mayor and consort would be funded from the twinning fund.

References

Triorca Trust Charity Commission charity details and financial status:

<http://beta.charitycommission.gov.uk/charity-details/?regid=1150633&subid=0>



Application for Twinning Committee Grant

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1. Name and address of organisation/group applying for the grant

Name THE TRIORCA TRUST
Address [REDACTED]

2. Name, address and contact details of individual applying for the grant

Name JULIE RICKARD, DIRECTOR
Address [REDACTED]
Contact daytime phone number or mobile [REDACTED]
Email [REDACTED]

3. Position held within the organisation/group (please tick)

Chair ☐ Secretary ☐ Treasurer ☐ Other (please state) DIRECTOR TRIORCA ORCHESTRA

4. Please describe fully why you are applying for a grant and which city or town you are forming links with?

TRIORCA IS THE INTERNATIONAL YOUTH ORCHESTRA FOR NORFOLK, FORMED TO SERVE THE TWINNING ASSOCIATIONS FOR NOVI SAD & KOBLENZ. THE ORCHESTRA HAS THAIKED FOR SEVEN YEARS AND APPROXIMATELY 200 YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE VISITED EACH OTHER'S COUNTRIES, LEANT COMPLEX MUSIC & PERFORMED PUBLIC CONCERTS TO THOUSANDS. THIS JULY TRIORCA RETURNS TO NORWICH WITH 25 NORFOLK STUDENTS, 21 SERBIANS & 17 GERMANS.
If the grant is to help towards the costs of a visit, please answer the following questions:

- a) How many people will be in the group making the visit? 68
b) How many of these are under 18 years old? 46
c) How many people in your organisation/group live in the Norwich City Council area? 85 %
d) We need to establish if there is any particular financial hardship, please say if any members of the visiting group are unemployed or receiving other benefit support?
ALL ARE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS, OR IN FULL-TIME (MAINLY STATE) EDUCATION.

e) Has your organisation/group received any previous grant from the Twinning Committee? If yes, please say how much and when?

No.

f) What is the total cost of this visit? 21K £1,764

g) How much grant are you applying for? £504

h) Are you applying to any other organisation or business for grants? If yes, please say who to and for how much?

(46) EU CULTURE PROGRAMME; ANGLISH £7K; TWINNING ASSOCIATIONS

i) How will your organisation/group be paying for the visit? STUDENTS CONTRIBUTE £500
£300 ph; The 3 partners raise their share of the activity; host finds evening meals. £2

5) It is a condition of the grant that your travel arrangements are made with a bonded travel company, which is a member of ABTA. Please confirm this requirement and give the name of your travel company

CONFIRMED. AIR SERBIA & RYANAIR ARE BRINGING SERBIAN & GERMAN PARTIES.

6) If the grant is for another purpose other than a visit, please give as much detail as you can by answering the following questions:

a) Please describe your project/event/activity and explain how it will further the aims of the Twinning Committee?

b) What is the total cost of the project/event/activity? £21K

c) How much grant are you applying for? £504

d) Are you applying to any other organisation or business for grants? If yes, please say who to and for how much? See

e) How will your organisation/group pay for the project/event/activity?

If you need any help, have any questions about completing the application or require the application in another format or language please contact Democratic Services on 01603 213022 or email twinning@norwich.gov.uk Please use extra paper if you need more space and enclose a copy of you last set of accounts, if appropriate.

Please return your completed form to:

Twinning Grant Application
Democratic Services
Norwich City Council
City Hall
Norwich NR2 1NH



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1. Name and address of organisation/group applying for the grant

Name NORFOLK & NORWICH ROUEN FRIENDSHIP ASSOC

Address

2. Name, address and contact details of individual applying for the grant

Name as above

Address

Postcode

3. Position held within the organisation/group (please tick)

Chair ☒ Secretary ☐ Treasurer ☐ Other (please state) _____

4. Please describe fully why you are applying for a grant and which city or town you are forming links with?

a grant towards travelling costs
coach hire etc, drivers expenses -
To perpetuate twinning links with Rouen
JUNE 7th to JUNE 11th 2019
2019 visit will be the 60th anniversary

If the grant is to help towards the costs of a visit, please answer the following questions:

a) How many people will be in the group making the visit?

40

b) How many of these are under 18 years old?

NONE

c) How many people in your organisation/group live in the Norwich City Council area?

75%

d) We need to establish if there is any particular financial hardship, please say if any members of the visiting group are unemployed or receiving other benefit support?

NONE

e) Has your organisation/group received any previous grant from the Twinning Committee? If yes, please say how much and when?

NONE

f) What is the total cost of this visit?

In excess of £4000

g) How much grant are you applying for?

£250

h) Are you applying to any other organisation or business for grants? If yes, please say who to and for how much?

NO

i) How will your organisation/group be paying for the visit?

wishing to travel

from members

5) It is a condition of the grant that your travel arrangements are made with a bonded travel company, which is a member of ABTA. Please confirm this requirement and give the name of your travel company

SPRATTS COACHES, WRENINGHAM

6) If the grant is for another purpose other than a visit, please give as much detail as you can by answering the following questions:

a) Please describe your project/event/activity and explain how it will further the aims of the Twinning Committee?

N/A

b) What is the total cost of the project/event/activity?

c) How much grant are you applying for?

d) Are you applying to any other organisation or business for grants? If yes, please say who to and for how much?

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C/O Jackie Rodger