



# CIRENCESTER TWINNING ASSOCIATION

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## The Mission

Cirencester has a long history of twinning links, but in recent years activity has slowed. Under the leadership of a small, newly formed committee the Cirencester Twinning Association is looking to re-establish, and build strong links with our friendship towns once again.

There are many drivers of interest in twinning and the Association will offer different things to different members. But the overarching goal is to have an active link between Cirencester and its partners Itzehoe, St Genis Laval and La Couronne.. This will include cultural visits abroad with reciprocal hostings and opportunities to share experiences amongst local people with an international interest. There are also possibilities such as hosting work experience placements, developing links between clubs and societies and language learning.

The newly reformed Cirencester Twinning Association is in the early days of its journey. New members are very much welcome to help the committee drive this initiative forward, and develop a thriving twin town relationship for the people of Cirencester.

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Club des Amis – Talk French to old friends and new



over a set meal at Le Beaujolais' French Club Evening, last Tuesday of the month. Meet 19:00.

For details and bookings contact the restaurant.

<http://www.restaurantlebeaujolais.co.uk/club-des-amis/> 01285 644440

## Itzehoe Flower Tub (opposite Waterstones)

This has been planted up by the Phoenix Gardeners and last year some of the "twinners" helped keep it watered. It is being replanted with summer bedding mid-May – would anyone be interested in being added to a watering rota?

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<http://www.itzehoe.de/itzehoe/partnerstaedte/partnerschaftsverein/>

Here is a link to the Itzehoe twinning website. The association, fronted by Renate Wilms-Marzisch, is very active and regularly extend invitations to Cirencester to visit.

The **next visit** proposed is the weekend of 28<sup>th</sup> May 2016 to coincide with their Weinfest. Already there have been three or four enquiries from Cirencester and we are waiting to hear about a proposal for timings to try and coordinate arrival times. If numbers from Cirencester increase significantly, we may look into joint travel. The last trip was for 13 and it was more cost effective for individuals to book onto the same flight from Heathrow to Hamburg. Keep you posted!

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[http://www.wiltsglosstandard.co.uk/news/14223299.Historic friendship with German to wn rises from the ashes/](http://www.wiltsglosstandard.co.uk/news/14223299.Historic_friendship_with_German_to_wn_rises_from_the_ashes/)

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Madame Lucette Lacouture, Présidente et l'Association

« SAINT GENIS INTERNATIONAL »

Would like to express their best wishes for the New Year and every success for the PACTE D'AMITIE between Cirencester and Saint Genis Laval

Next Committee Meeting Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> March 7:30pm Venue. New Committee Members most welcome.