## **Twinning Charter**

## Twinning Agreement between the Towns of Buckingham and Mouvaux

In a spirit of friendship and to maintain peace and understanding in Europe, this twinning accord is made between the freely elected representatives of the people of Mouvaux and Buckingham.

We pledge ourselves to maintain strong and vibrant links between Buckingham and Mouvaux and to foster exchanges between their inhabitants in order to develop a better mutual understanding and particularly to open up the horizons of the young to prepare them for a global future. We wish to share knowledge and enthusiasms for the arts, leisure activities and commerce and to experience each other's history, culture and crafts

We will collaborate broadly through -

- Exchanges for children and young people
- Contacts between individual citizens
- Cultural, sports, social and charitable links
- Links between commerce
- Discussions on issues affecting individuals and society

We will promote exchanges in these areas by encouraging direct contact between interested parties in the two communities.

We will inform each other regularly of important changes and events in our town and, particularly, should we decide to twin with another town.

A programme of twinning events and activities will be set out each year in the autumn.

All institutions that wish to undertake twinning activities (e.g. schools, clubs etc) may make contact directly with each other as long as they act in the spirit of this twinning accord and keep the twinning association advised.

This twinning accord will remain in place other than if one party has to secede from it for any reason.

This accord is presented in French and English and is valid in both languages.

Buckingham, (date)

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