



## Grußwort des Bürgermeisters des Test Valleys

May 2024

### FRIENDSHIP

Dear friends, thank you for joining the Mayoress and I here today to take tea and celebrate the warm and enduring relationship that thrives between 3 very different cultures and which has stood the test of time.

Friendship is a fundamental part of life and indeed our civilization.

It defines humanity and is the bedrock upon which we have evolved.

The bond of friendship that is shared between Redon, Goch and Andover is very special, as we witnessed last night, in song, dance and the visit by Chancellor and Frau Schmidt.

The peoples of Germany, France and England have shown that friendship is the global language of peace that knows no boundaries and is far more powerful than conflict and division.

The Mayoress and I wish you, our dear friends, every joy and good fortune in the years ahead, and may the Twinning Associations continue to be the glue that binds Redon, Goch and Andover in friendship.

On behalf of Test Valley Borough Council, the Mayoress and I, to our friends in Redon and Goch may I present a small gesture of our heartfelt respect and appreciation.

The Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor Philip Lashbrook