

# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

On 13-17 March 1993 a delegation of Sefton, headed by Mayor of Sefton Norman JONES payed visit to Gdańsk at the invitation of the President of City Council Dr. Andrzej JANUSZAJTIS .

In course of talks the following conclusions have been reached:

1. Both cities agree to form the sistercity relationship, based on good friendship, mutual trust, understanding and effective cooperation.
2. The cooperation between the two cities will be aimed at working together in concrete projects or fields, to be defined by the experts involved by both sides. This cooperation will consist mainly of the exchange of knowledge, advice and expertise.
3. This cooperation will take place in the following fields:
  - modern management: the role and the requirements of civil servants in a democratic local government system;
  - economic development;
  - tourism;
  - education;
  - culture;
  - transportation;
  - environment protection and conservation;
  - health;

and such other topics as may be agreed by the two cities in the future.

The concrete cooperation possibilities are to be futher studied by the experts of both cities in the form of preparing the Terms of Reference for the projects connected with the above mentioned fields.

4. The costs of cooperation, consisting of travelling and staying costs, will be met by both cities, within the limits of its financial possibilities. In principle, the party that sends the delegation will carry travel expenses and the receiving party will cover the staying costs. Both parties commit themselves to actively try to find external funds, eg. of national governments, European Community, or elsewhere.
5. Both cities acknowledge the importance of an active involvement of its citizens in the sistercity relationship. Therefore, they will try to stimulate contacts between all kinds of societal groups in Gdańsk and in Sefton.
6. In the field of economic relations, both sides commit themselves to further stimulate the development of appropriate links between the cities.

7. Both cities intend to support cultural exchange, for instance in the field of music, fine arts, theater and youth exchanges.
8. The possibilities of a direct airline connection between the airports of Gdańsk and Liverpool will be investigated.
9. Both sides oblige themselves to establish working groups as a sufficient institutional structure for the realisation of the Memorandum of Understanding.  
The Secretaries of both working groups will remain in contact in order to provide the efficient exchange of information concerning the above mentioned Terms of Reference.
10. The agreement is valid in condition of approval of the City Council of Gdańsk and the Municipal Council in Sefton.

Gdańsk, 16 March 1993

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