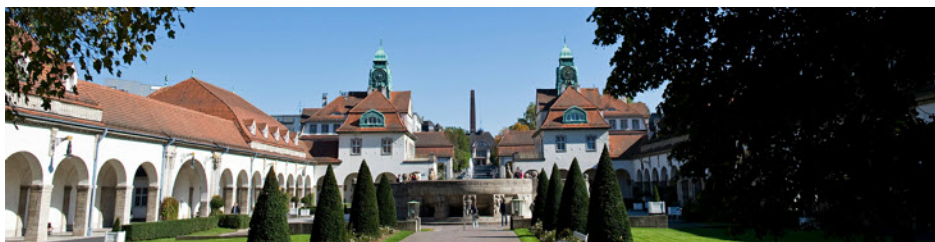
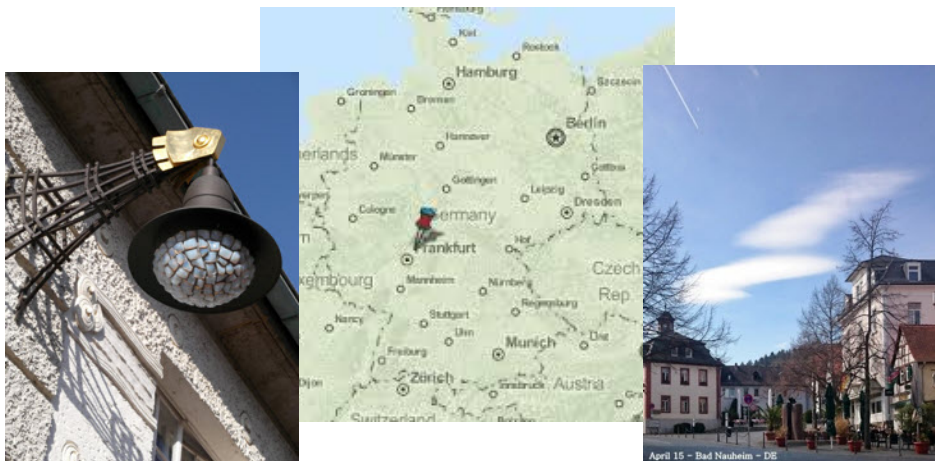


**WELCOME TO
BUXTON/BAD NAUHEIM
TWINNING ASSOCIATION**



Buxton is twinned with [Bad Nauheim](#) in Germany which is located in the Wetteraukreis district of the state of Hesse and is about 40 minutes drive to the north of Frankfurt.

Bad Nauheim is a group twinning of 5 towns: [Bad Nauheim](#), [Bad Langensalza](#) (former East Germany), [Buxton](#), [Chaumont](#) (France) and [Oostkamp](#) (Belgium). There is an annual meeting of delegates from all five towns.



The twinning group started out in the 1980s and was very active for over 10 years. For some reason this ended and Jane McGrother, a former mayor but recently deceased, revived it around 2002. Buxton hosted two of the annual committee meetings of the five towns in 2004 and 2009. A few of the members, including Jane and Jean Todd (now a local councillor), attended several of the annual meetings in all the partner towns. At this time there were various activities such as children from all the towns making a video showcasing their towns, choirs meeting up and apprentices coming to work in Buxton.



Like Buxton, Bad Nauheim is a spa town. It has lightly saline water rich in trace elements and is used for drinking and bathing. Just as Buxton has the hills of the Peak District National Park on its doorstep, Bad Nauheim has similar easy access to the Taunus, a range of mountains where many open-air activities take place. Also like Buxton, Bad Nauheim has a beautiful 'art nouveau' theatre.

Bad Nauheim and The King! Elvis lived in Bad Nauheim from 1958 to 1960 when he served in the US Army. Unlike most service personnel in Germany at the time, Elvis lived off-base; first in hotels, later in a rented three-story villa.



Today you can find an Elvis-Presley-Platz (square) in both Bad Nauheim and Friedberg. There is an annual Elvis Presley Festival in August.

How can we help you, your business or your organisation with involvement in the Bad Nauheim twinning?

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The 2018 revival - An informal starter group met on November 11, 2018 to explore the possibility of reviving the twinning.

Some basic principles were agreed:

the twinning will be inclusive in all aspects of its activities and involve as wide a variety of different groups and individuals as

support activities that can be shared by all five towns e.g. children making videos about their town

focus on links between organisations and groups as was the pattern with previous exchanges/visits when the group was last active

involve local businesses

involve people of all ages and all social classes within Buxton and stress that the ability to speak German is not necessary, nor is there any requirement to host