The Committee have been trying to arrange for someone from the Prefecture in Niort to give a presentation on applying for a Carte de Sejour. For those of you who are thinking of applying for one, here is the information I have been given by someone who successfully applied for a CdS.

The telephone number to ring at the Prefecture in Niort is 05 49 08 67 40, which is the Bureau des Etrangers. (not Tuesdays and only afternoons)

The documents you need to supply are:

- Birth certificates of all family members applying
- Marriage Certificates
- Passports
- 5 years of utility bills
- 5 years of tax d'habitation
- 5 years income tax advices
- Cartes vitales
- Recent bank statements (to prove you will not be a burden on the French State)
- If you are in business, 5 years of business accounts
- Proof of business registration
- 3 recent photos

Documents do not need translating.

Advisable to photocopy each document x 3!

To read more, click on this link <u>http://79.accueil-etrangers.gouv.fr/demande-de-titre-</u> <u>de-sejour/</u>

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