



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITTASLOW AYLSHAM COMMITTEE  
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AYLSHAM TOWN HALL  
ON THURSDAY 19 JANUARY 2017 at 7.00 p.m.**

**PRESENT:** Mr R Willis, Slow Food, Chairman  
Mrs M Evans, Aylsham Town Council  
Mr G Margaron, Aylsham Community Partnership  
Mrs L Chaplin, Aylsham WI  
Mrs J Marles, Aylsham In Bloom  
Mrs K Smith, Cittàslow Events Committee

**OFFICER:** Mrs S Lake, Aylsham Town Clerk

**01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and accepted from:

Mrs E Baker, Aylsham Town Council  
Ms T Colman, Aylsham High School  
Mrs G Tyler, Aylsham Country Market  
Mrs V Shaw Aylsham Town Council  
Mrs M Anderson-Dungar, ABEF  
Ms K Hughes, Broadland District Council

**02 MEMBERSHIP**

A request had been received from U3A to join the committee. This was **AGREED**.

**03 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & DISPENSATIONS**

There were no Declarations of Interests or any Requests for Dispensations.

**04 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Cittàslow Aylsham Meeting held on 17 November 2016 were **confirmed and signed**.

**05 MATTERS ARISING**

It was questioned how Aylsham Alight progressed. The Town Clerk will contact Andrew Morton for feedback.

**06 ITEMS REFERRED FROM LAST MEETING**

None.

**07 ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING**

In the absence of any member of the public, the meeting continued without adjournment.

## **08 RE-CONVENE THE MEETING**

This item was not required.

## **09 FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Town Council have requested that the Cittàslow Committee contribute to the annual Cittàslow membership fee. The Town Council will provide £1000 and require the committee to contribute the remainder circa £575. The Burns Night event should raise some of this and also the teas and coffees at the Expo day in March.

It was questioned whether the Events Committee could contribute in any way. Karen Smith will take this to the committee.

## **10 OTHER ORGANISATIONS IN AYLSHAM**

Following on from the previous presentations it was agreed to ask Blickling and U3A to update the committee. Mary Evans will contact Blickling and the Town Clerk will contact U3A.

## **11 FARMERS MARKET**

No Farmers Market was held in January at the request of the majority of traders. Original stallholders have been invited to the March market and so far, one has responded that they will attend. This is a cheese stall which may be interested in a more permanent presence.

## **12 PROJECTS**

### **i) BEES IN THE COMMUNITY/OLD STATION YARD**

A working day is scheduled for Saturday January 21<sup>st</sup> meeting at 9am.

Work is still in progress but there are issues with Norfolk Trails as there have been some significant redundancies recently.

Heritage funding has been received for work on the Marriott's Way and a presentation will be made to the Town Council in April.

### **ii) SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY 2016 (3<sup>rd</sup> December)**

The event took place on December 3<sup>rd</sup> at the same time as the Neighbourhood Plan session. There were not as many stalls this year and a re-think for next year may be appropriate.

### **iii) BURNS NIGHT**

Plans are all in place for the evening. Grizelda Tyler will undertake the address to the haggis which gives the event an exclusivity! Ticket sales are good but spaces are still available. All help for the night would be gratefully accepted.

### **iv) AYLSHAM ORGANISATIONS EVENT**

Invitations for this event have been sent and various groups have accepted. Advertising to the public will start soon.

### **v) WALKERS ARE WELCOME**

The Town Council have agreed to pay the membership subscription for this year. The group have placed an item in Just Aylsham to reinvigorate the group. It was queried

whether Broadland could assist as part of the tourism agenda. The book 'Walks around Aylsham' is currently being printed.

vi) AYLSHAM STREET PARTY (June 11<sup>th</sup>)

Plans have started for this and the first band, Agent Orange, have been booked.

**13 CITTÀSLOW UK & INTERNATIONAL MATTERS**

A meeting was scheduled for March 4<sup>th</sup> but this has been postponed to March 25<sup>th</sup> due to the special Farmers Market. The website is currently being looked at.

**14 CITTASLOW AYLSHAM**

Further discussion on the leaflet will be postponed to February when Ellie Baker may be in attendance.

It was noted that the 'Living in Aylsham' magazines all seem to have been distributed. The Estate Agents and developers will be contacted to see if they have any left. If not there are some available at the Town Hall which could be distributed.

**15 CITTÀSLOW COMMUNITY EVENTS SUB-COMMITTEE**

The committee do not meet in January but they have had a social meeting as a wash-up from the Christmas Lights event. This event went very well with more attendees than in previous years. The committee were pleased that they closed Bank Street but this did have some issues with traffic which are noted for next year.

Work is currently underway on the summer event.

**16 SLOW FOOD AYLSHAM**

The AGM was held on January 9<sup>th</sup> at the Saracen's Head and elected David Harper as Secretary and Maureen Burr as treasurer. David is a relatively new member who lives in Cromer but also owns a property in Aylsham. The meeting failed to elect a permanent chair and it was decided to nominate a chair on a meeting-by-meeting basis. The next meeting will discuss events and policy for the year.

**17 AYLSHAM IN BLOOM**

Aylsham In Bloom have now taken out their own insurance. They are looking at judges for the trader's competition. The vicar has agreed for the church to be nominated as a venue for an application for Gardeners Question Time.

The plans for the Community Allotment are progressing thanks to a £500 grant and are looking to launch at an event in the library in the spring.

**18 AYLSHAM BUSINESS ENTERPRISE FORUM (ABEF)**

Since the last meeting, ABEF has taken part in Small Business Saturday to promote the app, and also hosted its own pre-Christmas Network and Nibbles Event, which also included a talk on the work of Aylsham Care Trust.

Contacts with both businesses and the public were made at Small Business Saturday, some came along to the pre-Christmas event as well, and have joined the Forum!

The next general meeting will be on Monday 6 February – venue to be confirmed, and it will focus on an addition to the App.

**19 AYLSHAM PARISH CHURCH AND CHURCHES TOGETHER**

No update available.

**20 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/NEXT AGENDA**

Litter Picks

Town Awards

**21 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as **Thursday 16 February 2017 at 7.00p.m. in the Council Chamber, Aylsham Town Hall**

**CLOSURE OF THE MEETING**

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.15p.m.