



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITTASLOW AYLSHAM COMMITTEE  
HELD AT DRILL HALL, CAWSTON ROAD  
ON THURSDAY MAY 20<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 10.30am**

**PRESENT:** Mr P Prekopp, Aylsham Slow Food, Chairman  
Mrs M Evans Aylsham Town Council  
Mr D Harrison Aylsham Town Council  
Mrs J St Clair Aylsham U3A  
Mr G Margaron, Aylsham Community Partnership  
Mr R Willis ABEF  
Mr R Preston, Walkers are Welcome  
Mrs M Anderson-Dungar

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

**01 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

It was proposed, seconded and **AGREED** that Pat Prekopp be elected chair for the year.

**02 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Mrs H Jones Aylsham U3A  
Mrs V Shaw Aylsham Town Council  
Mrs J Kerrison Aylsham WI Gravenell

**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 22<sup>nd</sup> April, were **confirmed and signed by the chairman.**

**05 MATTERS ARISING**

None raised

**06 ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING**

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

**07 FARMERS MARKET**

The Farmers Market in May suffered due to appalling weather. The June market will see the first cookery demonstration by Slow Food.

## **08 PROJECTS**

### **i) OLD STATION YARD**

The next few visits will look at clearing the pathway. A new couple of volunteers are keen to work on the project. The apple trees are in full blossom.

### **ii) WALKERS ARE WELCOME**

Still some time before activities can start again. A new walking guide is almost ready.

### **iii) TOWN GUIDE**

Still waiting for contact from the publishers.

### **iv) TOWN PEDESTRIAN MAP**

A grant has been applied for.

## **09 AYLSHAM TOWN COUNCIL WEBSITE**

This is now up and running.

## **10 AYLSHAM TOWN COUNCIL LOGO**

The Town Council have still to reach a decision on this. Hopefully, this will be made at the June meeting.

## **11 CITTASLOW in AYLSHAM**

Both Ray Horne and Rev Canon Julie Boyd will be attending the June meeting.

## **12 CLIMATE EMERGENCY**

At the Town Council meeting a member of the public had great doubts regarding this and felt using the word 'emergency' set the wrong tone. He also felt that this was a political manoeuvre.

It was questioned what the Town Councils Climate Sustainability Plan was. Also, as a Cittaslow town there are various issues that should be addressed.

It was proposed and **AGREED** to put the following statement to the Town Council

*As a Cittaslow Town the Town Council is committed to taking action in the formulation and delivery of its plans and services to address the towns impact on the climate*

## **13 CITTASLOW UK**

There was nothing further to report re towns. Cittaslow Italy are still under the impression that Aylsham will be holding the assembly in November. This was discussed and it was **AGREED** that this is not feasible. Pat Prekopp will write to Italy regarding this.

## **14. AYLSHAM COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE**

The Events Committee will meet in June to look at the possibility of forthcoming events for the autumn/winter.

**15 SLOW FOOD AYLSHAM**

Work is progressing on organising the Food Festival with plans for the usual extended Farmers Market and Slow Breakfast. However, it is highly unlikely that the Gala Dinner at the school will take place so plans are being made for a Junkyard Style event in the Market Place.

**16 AYLSHAM IN BLOOM**

The painting of the planters has been rescheduled to June due to the Clear Company event in the Market Place. A representative from the RHS will visit the Paupers Grave next week.

**17 ABEF**

A meeting was held with three businesses in the town who are keen to establish a more proactive forum for businesses. This may result in two business organisations. There is an ongoing complaint regarding loss of parking on Market Days especially Fridays. It has been pointed out there is no parking allowed on those days anyway. It was also mentioned the address is 'Market Place' not 'Car Park'

**18 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/NEXT AGENDA**

Pat Prekopp had visited Keys auctions who were willing to discuss potential use of the car park

The Aylsham App is out of date and is under discussion.

**19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at 10.30am in the Drill Hall**

**CLOSURE OF THE MEETING**

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 11.30am