



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITTASLOW AYLSHAM COMMITTEE  
HELD AT DRILL HALL,  
ON WEDNESDAY 13<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2022 AT 11am.**

**PRESENT:** Mr P Prekopp, Aylsham Slow Food, Chairman  
Mrs M Evans Aylsham Town Council  
Mr G Margaron, Aylsham Community Partnership  
Mr R Willis ABEF  
Wendy Sadler – Aylsham In Bloom  
Rev Canon Julie Boyd – Aylsham Parish Church  
Sue Sharpe

**OFFICER:** Mrs S Lake Town Clerk

**01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Mrs H Jones Aylsham U3A  
Mrs J St Clair Aylsham U3A  
Mrs M Anderson-Dungar ABEF  
David Harrison – Aylsham Town Council

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

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

**03 MINUTES**

It was noted that Wendy Sadler was shown as both being present and sending her apologies. The Minutes were corrected to mend this error.  
The minutes of the Cittaslow Aylsham Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2022, were **confirmed and signed by the chairman.**

**04 MATTERS ARISING**

Roger Willis raised the poor level of attendance at the recent Easter Craft Fair and stated it had not been advertised. In fact it had been advertised by posters, Just Aylsham and

social media. A request for a suggestion of other sources of advertising was made if these had not been seen. The town was quiet on the day, other events were being held and there was a high level of covid infections.

## **05 ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING**

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

**By mutual agreement the item relating to the Aylsham Festival was discussed next**

## **17 AYLSHAM FESTIVAL**

Sue Sharpe made a presentation on the Aylsham Festival which she ran from 2011. Lottery funding was available the first year but could not be accessed for subsequent years. The festival also received grants from other sources. The last festival cost £11,000. It ran for five years with a different theme each year. The aim was that it would appeal to all although there were comments that it was too high brow. Numbers attending events were often disappointingly low.

The Chairman thanked Sue for her presentation. He thought it fitted well with Cittaslow but appreciated it needed a good, but small team to lead and organise.

## **06 CITTASLOW IN AYLSHAM**

### **a) To receive an update on the meeting of Aylsham Groups**

It was **AGREED** that this meeting should go ahead and a date will be set –after the Jubilee weekend. It was thought that the meeting needed some objectives so people knew what to expect and possibly a speaker.

### **b) To receive an update on the Platinum project with schools**

Pat Prekopp confirmed that the schools in the area had received the templates and will deliver the pictures to the Town Hall.

Nothing has been received from the School Council re the project called ‘Our Town’ in the Town Hall on Jubilee Saturday. The clerk will contact the school after the Easter holidays

## **07 FARMERS MARKET AND GENERAL MARKETS**

The Farmers Market in April was fairly full but the town was very quiet. Peter Ward one of the original stallholders will be retiring in the summer. A suitable replacement will be approached

There had been no response from the committee regarding the market survey so this will now be issued.

## **08 PROJECTS**

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

This is looking good but additional bark is required. Giles Margaron will look at prices.

ii) **TOWN PEDESTRIAN MAP**

Nothing to report.

iii) **EMERGENCY PLAN FOR AYLSHAM**

The clerk had met Simon Farraday-Drake the emergency planning officer for Broadland who spoke about an emergency plan for Aylsham. He was willing to attend a meeting and members felt this would be useful.

**09 CLIMATE EMERGENCY**

At the last meeting Ray Horne from Rotary made a presentation on a plastic project that Rotary are starting. The sub-groups have all been formed and have all met at least once. The name of the group will be Aylsham Climate Emergency (ACE). The logo would be an Ace formed as a tree.

**10 CITTASLOW UK & CITTASLOW INTERNATIONAL**

a) **To receive an update on the grant scheme request**

This will go on the agenda for the 30<sup>th</sup> April but the meeting may not be quorate so unsure if a decision will be reached.

b) **To receive details regarding Llangolen membership**

There is no update to this but the Town council is scheduled for elections in May and many new councillors are anticipated due to many of the existing councillors standing down.

c) **To receive an update on the request for accounting details**

Pat Prekopp had been advised that the membership money was used for social activities, he had reiterated his request for full accounts.

**11 AYLSHAM COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE**

The plans for the jubilee weekend are well under way. Unfortunately, the Sausage Bash looks as though it will be cancelled.

**12 SLOW FOOD AYLSHAM**

The Chief Executive of Slow Food should be visiting in May. There is a potential for chef demos over the sum providing chefs are available. Slow Food will be working on the Family Learning Day and also the Aylsham Show.

**13 AYLSHAM IN BLOOM**

The Paupers Grave opening was a great success. The future maintenance needs to be agreed. Open Gardens is going well with 15 gardens signed up. The summer planting should take place in late May in time for the jubilee.

**14 ABEF**

The meeting between the two business groups is scheduled to take place soon.

**15 AYLSHAM TRAFFIC GROUP**

The last meeting discussed the base line survey in detail. The draft strategy should be available shortly.

**16 AYLSHAM PARISH CHURCH**

Rev Canon Julie Boyd reported that a procession would take place on Good Friday from Bure Valley Railway to the church. For the Jubilee weekend there will be childrens activities on the Thursday morning, a concert on the Saturday night and additional picnic areas for the Street Party on the Sunday.

On the 24<sup>th</sup> June there will be a charity dinner at the High School.

**18. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/NEXT AGENDA**

Nothing raised

**19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 11.00am at the Drill Hall**

**CLOSURE OF THE MEETING**

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 12.55pm