



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITTASLOW AYLSHAM COMMITTEE
HELD AT DRILL HALL,
ON WEDNESDAY 15th MARCH 2023 AT 11am.**

PRESENT: Mr P Prekopp, Aylsham Slow Food, Chairman
Mr G Margaron, Aylsham Community Partnership
Mrs M Evans Aylsham Town Council
Mrs W Sadler – Aylsham In Bloom
Mrs M Anderson-Dungar ABEF
Ms Sandi Westwood – Aylsham Town Council
Mr G Peers – Broadland District Council

OFFICER: Mrs S Lake Town Clerk

01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr R Willis ABEF
Rev Canon Julie Boyd – Aylsham Parish Church
Jean St Clair – Aylsham U3A

02 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & DISPENSATIONS

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

03 MINUTES

The minutes of the Cittaslow Aylsham Meeting held on 15th February 2023, were **confirmed and signed by the chairman.**

04 MATTERS ARISING

Nothing raised.

05 ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

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

06 CITTASLOW UK & CITTASLOW INTERNATIONAL

a) To receive an update

A Board Meeting and AGM for Cittaslow UK will be held on Saturday 18th March. Unfortunately Llangollen will not have a councillor present for the meeting. Still investigating the UK issue regarding €1500/£1500.

b) To receive an update on the request for accounting details

The International issue is getting near to a conclusion and Sandi Westwood has spoken with them and although they initially they were offended they now realise it is the system that is being queried as it is so different to UK accounting. The Italians advised of various projects they are working on and expressed disappointment that Aylsham are not participating in Cittaslow work.

07 CITTASLOW IN AYLSHAM

The Italian representatives will be visiting on May 3rd. After discussion it was agreed that the meeting be held at the Town Hall and then go to lunch at the Banningham Crown. The Town Clerk will look into online facilities so the towns in Wales can also participate. It was felt any costs should be borne by Cittaslow UK.

Graham Peers advised that the Harleston website has launched and the Town Clerk would be meeting with him and the developer after the meeting.

A video competition is being held by Cittaslow however the deadline is May 15th which gives limited time.

08 FARMERS MARKET AND GENERAL MARKETS

a) To receive an update on the Farmers Market

The new style market will launch in June. The Country Market are keen to have a presence at the market.

Broadland are currently working with The Lively Crew and Clear Company regarding themed markets and will have a proposition available soon.

b) To receive an update on the general markets on Monday and Friday

The markets have been very quiet over the last month and the Friday market is looking very depleted.

09 CLIMATE EMERGENCY

Leaflets are being distributed to houses in the new estates. A business survey is being composed to ascertain how businesses in the town are doing..

The website is ready to launch.

The next stage is for the group to agree a strategy for adoption by the Town Council. The Town Clerk is currently calculating the carbon footprint of the town.

10 PROJECTS

i) OLD STATION YARD

The daffodils have started to flower.

ii) TOWN PEDESTRIAN MAP

This has been agreed by the Town Council and the planning will now be processed.

iii) MINDFUL AYLSHAM

Not really sure what is happening with this. Graham Peers will contact the relevant officers at the District Council.

iv) AYLSHAM WARM SPACES

The Recreation Ground space is used – but not heavily and the Town Hall receives no visitors. The scheme will cease this month.

11 AYLSHAM COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE

The Mothers Day Tea will be held on Saturday March 18th.

The plan for the Coronation is to show the ceremony on the screen in the Town Hall and then have street food and music for the afternoon. The street party will be held on July 9th.

12 SLOW FOOD AYLSHAM

Things have been quiet over the last month. New criteria are being introduced but the group meets most of these. Unfortunately, a member has recently left so the group needs to decide whether to stay as an independent group or join an online group.

13 AYLSHAM IN BLOOM

The tubs in the Market Place are looking good. Work is continuing at the Paupers Graveyard with regular litter picks to start with and maintenance as the year progresses. The gate can be stiff so the Town Clerk will get this looked at.

14 ABEF

The open meeting will be held on April 17th. Details will be sent out soon.

15 AYLSHAM TRAFFIC GROUP

The project is nearer competition with the draft strategy to be presented to the council after the election.

16 AYLSHAM PARISH CHURCH

The bells have now been removed.

17 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/NEXT AGENDA

Nothing brought forward for the next meeting.

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as **Wednesday 19th April 2023 at 11.00am at the Drill Hall**

CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 12.30pm