



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITTASLOW AYLSHAM COMMITTEE
HELD AT DRILL HALL, ON WEDNESDAY 17th MAY 2023 AT 11am.**

PRESENT: Mrs M Evans Aylsham Town Council Chairman
Mr G Margaron, Aylsham Community Partnership
Mrs W Sadler – Aylsham In Bloom
Mrs M Anderson-Dungar ABEF
Mr G Peers – Broadland District Council
Mrs J St Clair – Aylsham U3A
Mr R Willis ABEF

OFFICER: Mrs S Lake Town Clerk

01 ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR 2023/24

Patrick Prekopp had advised he was willing to stand again. He was therefore proposed and elected.

02 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr P Prekopp, Aylsham Slow Food,

03 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & DISPENSATIONS

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

04 MINUTES

The minutes of the Cittaslow Aylsham Meeting held on 19th April 2023, were **confirmed and signed by the chairman.**

05 MATTERS ARISING

Nothing raised.

06 ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

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

07 CITTASLOW UK & CITTASLOW INTERNATIONAL

a) To receive an update

Nothing to report

b) To receive a report on the meeting held May 3rd

Everyone felt the meeting with representatives from Cittaslow International, Mold and Llangollen went well, however where do we go from here? It was felt they were not too forthcoming regarding funding and how the UK network could be developed.

Many thought it was the same scenario of 'what's in it for us?'

Mary Evans and Town Clerk had met with representatives from Broadland regarding Pride In Place which is part of the levelling up agenda. The amount of money they have is very small but it might be worth speaking to them about funding the Cittaslow Membership.

The information that a network could still exist with only one town if necessary was pleasing to hear.

08 CITTASLOW IN AYLSHAM

a) To receive an update

Nothing to report – awaiting a meeting with the developer of the website

b) To receive an update on the video competition

Graham Peers had created a short video and thanks were expressed to him and his wife for this work. The video has been entered for the competition and can be viewed on the Cittaslow page of the Town Council website.

09 FARMERS MARKET AND GENERAL MARKETS

a) To receive an update on the Farmers Market

The new style market will launch in June. Publicity has started via social media and will ramp up as the date gets nearer. We could not find anyone to operate a BBQ and a suggestion of engaging local organisations to do this on a rota basis will be explored

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

The Town Council have changed their financial regulations so that in future market stalls must pay by cheque, card or online.

10 CLIMATE EMERGENCY

The ACE Group will be represented at the Family Learning Day at the school and possibly at the Aylsham Show. A second Green Day has been arranged.

Trevor Bennett stood down as chair of the group.

11 PROJECTS

i) OLD STATION YARD

Giles Margarson asked if the Town Council could cut the path

ii) TOWN PEDESTRIAN MAP

The Town Clerk has now obtained permission from Broadland regarding the siting on Station Road.

iii) **MINDFUL AYLSHAM**

Still waiting for the packs to arrive.

12 AYLSHAM COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE

The Town Council provided 1000 packs of seeds and these have all been taken. The Coronation Day was a bit flat with only about 50 people attending the showing in the Town Hall. Unfortunately, the weather turned in the afternoon so again numbers were low.

13 SLOW FOOD AYLSHAM

The group will be attending the Family Learning Day, Aylsham Show and the Food Festival.

14 AYLSHAM IN BLOOM

Aylsham In Bloom will also be at the Family Learning Day.

The Paupers Grave will be entered for the competition run by Norfolk Biodiversity Group – under Spaces for Nature. The graveyard has many wildflowers and also various varieties of grasses.

15 ABEF

Following the open meeting there are some new committee members. Looking at what will be happening with the Aylsham Show.

16 AYLSHAM TRAFFIC GROUP

The project is nearer completion and a likely final meeting will be held in June when the strategy will be completed for presenting to the Town Council in July.

17 AYLSHAM PARISH CHURCH

No report received.

18 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/NEXT AGENDA

Nothing brought forward for the next meeting.

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as **Wednesday 21st June 2023 at 11.00am at the Drill Hall**

CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 12.15pm