

Minutes of the Aylsham Climate Action Meeting held on Monday 6th February 2023

Present:

Sefton Archer Ray Horne
Sue Catchpole Anna Magyar
Jakki Dehn Liz McGowan
William Fisher Richard Moore
Vicky Goodwin Phillippa Neale

Louise Harlow Patrick Prekopp (Chair)

Sally Hildrew Grizelda Tyler

Ian Hildrew

Sue Lake Town Clerk

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

Apologies were received from

Trevor Bennett Shelly Hudson
Lillie Ferrari Arthur Rope
Erica Fisher Wendy Sadler

Jenny Haycocks

In the absence of Trevor Bennett, Pat Prekopp took the chair.

2. Declarations of interest

None were declared

3. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th November were accepted and signed by the chairman

4. Information on Matters Arising from previous minutes

Nothing raised

5. Co-Ordinating Group

a) To receive and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 9th January 2023

The clerk advised that agenda items rising from this group must be in a form that a discussion and decision can be made by the full committee and if required endorsed by the Town Council. Items should not be in the form of decisions made and instructions to act. The minutes were confirmed.

b) To consider items from the Co-ordinating Group

The recommendations for discussion on ACE Strategy, website and Business Survey were agreed.

6. ACE Website

a) To note the name of the website

The website address is to be ace-aylsham.org

b) To receive an update on the website

Pat Prekopp advised the site was starting to be built

It is hoped to launch the website in mid-March. The website developer requires an e-mail address from each sub-group but this would not be published on the website. There would be a system in place so the e-mails would be received by and sent by a generic address for the sub-group.

c) To request information from sub-groups

The communications group needed regular copy from the sub-groups to keep the site fresh. The communications team are happy to receive information in any format and will place it on the site in the 'ACE Style'.

7. Work Programme of Sub-Groups

Plastics

The report issued with the agenda was noted.

Nature/Biodiversity

Looking to appoint tree wardens – an article will appear in the next edition of Just Aylsham. Still looking to discuss issues with the Town Council. Main area of interest will be domestic gardens.

Energy

Looking to recruit more volunteers for work with the camera – having difficulty coordinating with residents.

Waste

Meeting on Thursday and looking to create an interactive map that can be included on the website.

Disappointed at the closure of the waste centre at Mayton.

Food Group

Looking to print food maps in Just Aylsham. Also interested in promoting regular talks on climate change in Just Aylsham. Interested in any information on food sharing. It was mentioned that the Friday Country Market could be a good venue for advertising this.

Contact and Connect

Grizelda Tyler will organise a regular table at the Country Market for use by the subgroups.

Family Learning Day is on 10th June and would be good to have an ACE stall present.

8. Business Survey

It was noted that this idea had been floated for sometime now and really needed to be agreed or discarded. There was a general consensus that this was a good idea but debate as to what type of survey it should be. Options include face-to-face interview, online or paper. What was required were 2-3 questions from each group specific to the group and not generic. The survey has to have the ability to be analysed and also make it clear to businesses that ACE was not 'preaching' at them and were there to not only find information but also hopefully solutions to any issues.

It was **AGREED** that this will be discussed in more detail at the next co-ordinating group.

9 Aylsham Climate Change Strategy

It was considered that the groups were now sufficiently established that a strategy could be created to be agreed by the Town Council after the elections in May. Pat Prekopp and the Town Clerk will look at this and present a paper for discussion.

10 Items for future discussion

Nothing raised

11. Date of Next Meeting

To confirm the date of the next Meetings as:

Monday March 6th 2023 – Co-ordinating Group

Monday April 3rd 2023 – ACE Group

The meeting closed at 8.58pm