



## AYLSHAM COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE AYLSHAM COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE HELD AT AYLSHAM TOWN HALL ON WEDNESDAY 4 AUGUST 2021 at 7:00pm

#### **PRESENT:**

|                   |   |                            |
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| Eileen Springall  | - | Councillor (Chairman)      |
| Pat Prekopp       | - | Councillor                 |
| Rodney Clark-Ward | - | Councillor                 |
| Giles Margarson   | - | Town Resident              |
| Sue Lake          | - | Aylsham Town Clerk         |
| Donna Butcher     | - | Aylsham Town Council Admin |

#### **1. WELCOME INTRODUCTIONS & APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Karen Smith, Andrew Strange and Joan Bennett.

#### **2. TO RECEIVE MEMBER'S DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN AGENDA ITEMS**

None Received

#### **3. TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 2 JUNE 2021**

Minutes of the meeting held on 2 June 2021, as previously circulated were confirmed and signed.

#### **4. INFORMATION ON MATTERS ARISING**

None.

#### **5. TO ADJOURN THE MEETING TO ALLOW MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK**

None present.

#### **6. TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF RUNNING THE BEPUZZLED TREASURE TRAIL**

After an explanation on how the trail would work and discussion it was decided that it would be too late to get it up and running for over the school summer holidays but it was agreed to get everything in place to start in October to coincide with the half term holiday and Halloween. It was suggested that flyers to advertise the event be passed to Monica Harding and sent out via the schools cluster group. The locations of the decals are yet to be decided.

#### **7. TO DISCUSS PLANS FOR THE STREET PARTY**

It was hoped that the street party would go ahead later this year. However, after a discussion and the fact that two events to be held have been cancelled (the Beer

Festival and a live music event in the Town Hall) it was agreed to cancel the event for this year and to plan for the Platinum Jubilee street party in 2022.

**8. TO DISCUSS PLANS FOR THE VE DAY AFTERNOON TEA**

It was decided to cancel the original plans for the afternoon tea and film. With other events being cancelled and considering the age group of the people attending it was agreed that it may not be well attended at this time.

Sue informed the committee that she has a meeting arranged with Sarah Cook to discuss possible grants for events possibly for a street food market similar to the Junkyard Market to enhance the Food Festival. Patrick and Giles advised that the timetable of events for the Food Festival would not allow such a thing to take place. The possibility of a Gin Festival was discussed to be held the Friday night before the Food Festival. To contact James Marks of the Round Table for advice.

**9. TO DISCUSS PLANS FOR THE CHARITY OPEN DAY**

A date of 6 November was agreed for the Open Day to coincide with the Farmers' Market. This will be held in the Town Hall, possible overspill to Drill Hall depending on the amount of attendees. Clubs and societies to be contacted inviting them to have a stand. Although this will be a free event a £10 deposit will be taken and refunded on arrival and set up. It was asked that the contact details of the attendees be collated and passed to Cittaslow Committee. It was suggested to contact Gemma Shepherd at Tesco for a donation of a hamper.

**10. TO DISCUSS PLANS FOR THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON**

It was discussed that there would be fewer stalls down Red Lion Street this year, possibly from Whites Butchers up to No23 Aesthetics (previously Santander). The possibility of having the fire engine and a police car for 'display' down the remainder of Red Lion Street was suggested. Applications for stall holders to be sent out by the end of August. The booking for the musician originally booked for the Street Party to be transferred to this date. With reference to the question of who should switch on the lights, it was suggested that members of the Covid-19 vaccination team from the GP surgeries should be invited to take part, this was agreed.

**11. TO DISCUSS PLANS FOR THE PLATINUM JUBILEE**

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee will celebrated next year with 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> June being made a public holiday. With so many events being cancelled over the past 18 months the committee agreed that we need to make the most of this time to make a comeback. The following was discussed:

**Thursday 2 June** – traditional fete, possible locations; the recreation ground, Keys Sale Yard, Purdy's field.

**Friday 3 June** – the EPIC Aylsham 5k race is already booked in for this date. Discuss with Steven Hitcham the possibility of doing this as part of the Jubilee celebrations with maybe a junior 1k race incorporated.

**Saturday 4 June** – Farmers' Market

**Sunday 5 June** – Street Party

**12. TO ADVISE OF THE CANCELLATION OF THE BEER FESTIVAL AND CLEARCOMPANY EVENTS**

It was announced that the Beer Festival has been cancelled for this year due to the ongoing uncertainty of Covid-19. Also, the ClearCompany events that were held in the Town Hall and Market Place have been cancelled due to poor attendance and unpredictability of the parking in the Market Place when they were setting up for the event.

**13. TO NOTE ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/DISCUSSION AT THE NEXT MEETING**

**Fireworks Display** – Rodney Clark-Ward advised us that the paperwork had been sent to Broadland District Council and an attendance figure of 1500 people has been agreed. The possibility of the tickets being sold from the Town Council office was suggested. A cost for wristbands to be looked at. Contact details for funfair to be given to Rodney.

**14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 at 7pm in the Town Hall

**CLOSURE OF THE MEETING**

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.25pm