

ATHERSTONE TOWN COUNCIL

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DOCUMENT	MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
VENUE	Town Council Chamber, North Street
DATE AND TIME	Wednesday 11 th . May 2011 start 7.00pm
IN ATTENDANCE	Town Councillors: Cllrs Macchi, Clews, G Davis, M Davis, L Freer, R Freer, Jarvis, Shaw, Singh, McElhone, Pickard. Members of the public: Mr Reynolds, Mrs Clay, Mrs Wrigley, Mrs Chambers, Mr Peat, Mr Barker, Mrs Kaur, Mr Wilding. Borough Cllrs: L Dirveiks, N Dirveiks. County Cllrs: Fox
APOLOGIES	Town Cllrs: Wright, Vickers.
CHAIRMAN	Cllr Clews (Item 1), Cllr Shaw
CLERK	Mr G Day

Item		Actions	Notes
1.	ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND TOWN MAYOR FOR 2011/2012 It was proposed by Cllr Singh and seconded by Cllr Jarvis that Cllr Martin Shaw be Chairman, Cllr Shaw was elected unopposed. Cllr Clews thanked everyone for their support during the last year, Cllr Shaw took the chair thanked Cllr Clews for her hard work.		
2.	ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR 2011/2012 It was proposed by Cllr Clews and seconded by Cllr L Freer that Cllr Singh be Vice- Chairman. Cllr Singh was elected unopposed.		
3.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST To be taken as and when.		
4.	APOLOGIES It was resolved to accept the Town Cllrs apologies as listed above, proposed Cllr G Davis, seconded Cllr Clews.		
5.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Taken as and when.		
6.	REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS Cllr L Dirveiks reported that a member of the public had made a report to her of trees being cut at the Merevale Allotment site, but she had quickly managed to find out that this was work commissioned by the Town Council in response to the report from the NWBC tree officer.		
7.	TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF 20th. April 2011 (Cllr Clews took the chair) The clerk noted that the numbers were incorrect on the last 2 pages, they were amended to P11 and P12. P13 5/11		

	<p>It was noted that P10, item 12 should read Police enquiries desk had moved into the one-stop-shop and the safer neighbourhood teams moving into Bank House.</p> <p>It was resolved that the amended minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record. Proposed Cllr Singh, seconded Cllr G Davis.</p>		
8.	<p>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF 20th. April 2011. (Cllr Shaw resumed the chair)</p> <p>P9, item 8, the clerk reported a request from the Carnival to pay directly for the Entertainers, it was resolved to pay for this subject to checking with WALC that this conformed to the rules on VAT. Proposed Cllr M Davis, seconded Cllr R Freer.</p> <p>P11, item 16, the clerk reported that the tree maintenance programme had started, it was resolved to allow people to remove any arisings from the trees, subject to them signing a disclaimer if they wished to carry out any work on a Council site, proposed Cllr Clews, seconded Cllr G Davis.</p>		
9.	<p>INVOICES FOR APPROVAL AND CHEQUES FOR SIGNATURE</p> <p>Cheques 105572 to 105578 for ratification, It was resolved to ratify the above cheques and approve the cheques 105579 to 105602 for signing. The clerk asked that cheques 105594 and 105596 be held until the jobs were completed. It was resolved to approve the above, proposed Cllr Jarvis, seconded Cllr G Davis.</p> <p>The clerk reported that a bill had been received from Severn-Trent, for the cemetery, which still quoted the old meter. He had contacted Severn-Trent who had cancelled the bill and would not start charging until a new meter was fitted.</p>		
10.	<p>CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED</p> <p>It was suggested by Cllr R Freer that all the e-mails sent by Cllr Shaw should not be circulated and recorded, this was not agreed.</p> <p>1/ Garner Canning, letter received confirming lease completed for Atherstone Allotment Association, in accordance with the lease 4 names were submitted to carry out pest control on that site only. The names were approved, clerks to issue permits. Proposed Cllr Singh, seconded Cllr Peat.</p> <p>10/ Request for Funding from Volunteer Centre North Warks. It was resolved to reply that the Town Council could only assist with activities within the Parish and that they should contact the appropriate Parish Council. Proposed Cllr Jarvis, seconded Cllr M Davis.</p> <p>E26/ Warks County Council, bus services. It was agreed to put links on the website to the bus companies and to ask them to publicise the services.</p> <p>E34/ NABMA Local Councils Seminar. It was proposed by Cllr Jarvis and seconded by Cllr Barker that one of the clerks attend, this was not agreed.</p> <p>E36/ WALC North Warks Area Committee minutes. Cllrs M Davis and G Davis noted that they did not always receive information for the meetings.</p> <p>E47/ WALC, Cllr induction days. It was agreed that any new Cllrs could attend, they should inform the clerks which date was suitable.</p> <p>E60/ NWBC, CCTV stats. Cllr Macchi had a query about the charts</p>		

	<p>supplied, Cllr R Freer said he could advise Cllr Macchi about the information, out of the meeting.</p> <p>E66/ Request for Funding for 2 Summer in the Square events. Cllr Jarvis declared an interest and left the room. It was resolved to approve the request as listed, proposed Cllr G Davis, Cllr Pickard.</p>		
11.	<p>CORRESPONDENCE ISSUED</p> <p>List available in office.</p>		
12.	<p>APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO ORGANISATION AND GROUPS</p> <p>It was noted that working groups were open to all Cllrs.</p> <p>The list of appointees was amended, and would be issued.</p> <p>It was noted that representatives should bring a report to Council of any external meeting attended.</p>		
13.	<p>PLANNING MATTERS</p> <p>a) Planning List received, 13, 14</p> <p>b) Consultations</p> <p>Cllr M Davis abstained from the following consultations.</p> <p>PAP/2011/0158 White Horse Inn, 127 Long Street, PAP/2011/0159 (listed consent) Atherstone, CV9 1EZ</p> <p>Retention of decking and smoking shelter</p> <p>It was resolved that there was no objection to this application. Proposed Cllr Jarvis , seconded Cllr Singh.</p> <p>Additional consultations</p> <p>PAP/2011/0207 Atherstone Surgery, Ratcliffe Road, Atherstone, CV9 1EU</p> <p>Extension to front and rear of existing pharmacy.</p> <p>Cllrs L Freer and R Freer declared an interest and abstained.</p> <p>It was resolved that there was no objection to this application. Proposed Cllr Barker, seconded Cllr Clews.</p> <p>PAP/2011/0200 19 Stratford Street, Atherstone, CV9 2AN</p> <p>Amended plans, erection of 2 storey extension and detached garage.</p> <p>It was resolved that there was no objection to this application. Proposed Cllr G Davis, seconded Cllr Clews.</p> <p>c) Decisions None</p> <p>d) Conservation Areas and Listed Buildings None</p> <p>e) Other Letter received from County Highways regarding closure of Old Watling Street Letter received from County Highways regarding consultation PAP/2011/0183, Sandwich Factory. Letter received from NWBC, new flat numbers, 12 Meadow Street. These were noted.</p> <p>f) Licensing Matters None</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P15 5/11</p>		

14.	<p>REPORTS</p> <p>a) Town Council Annual Report It was resolved to approve the report, proposed Cllr Jarvis, seconded Cllr Singh.</p> <p>b) Financial Report The clerk presented a budget report and bank reconciliation for April 2011, for information only.</p> <p>c) Clerk's Report The clerk reported that County Records had an association with a group from the Mormons who would digitise the old records and supply them free of charge, they would also publish them online. It was resolved to approve this and that a link to their website be put on the Town Council website. Proposed Cllr Barker, seconded Cllr R Freer.</p> <p>d) Representative's Reports Cllr G Davis reported that she had been to a meeting of the area PPG. Cllr C Peat reported that he had attended a meeting of Gramer Cottages. Cllr Jarvis had been to a Carnival meeting, he reported that they were using the Market Square and Woolpack Way and that they were expecting upwards of 10 floats this year. Cllr Barker offered to provide a copy of the Railway Users Group minutes to the Council, this was agreed. Cllr Singh reported that he was organising a Charity Walk around the Merevale Estate on Sunday May 22nd. starting at the Lodge at 2.00pm.</p>		
15.	<p>POLICE STATION / MAGISTRATES COURT, UPDATE Nothing to report.</p>		
16.	<p>MARKET SQUARE UPDATE The clerk reported that Mr B Cullen from Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council had been in to NWBC, but he had not received any report.</p>		
	<p>It was resolved that, under Section 100A of the local Government Act 1972, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted (namely the details of the terms of contracts for the acquisition or disposal of property, or for the supply of goods and services), it is advisable in the public interest, as if members of the public were present during the consideration of such business, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information under paragraphs 1 and 11 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the said Act, that the public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw. Proposed Cllr Clews, seconded Cllr G Davis.</p>		
17.	<p>QUOTES FOR HONOURS BOARD The clerk presented a quote from a local company, and the costs from the previous board. It was resolved to order the board as quoted. Proposed Cllr M Davis, seconded Cllr Peat.</p>		
18.	<p>OFFER FOR CHRISTMAS LIGHTS The clerk presented an offer for additional Christmas lights from the supplier of the new lights. The offer was for 6 new stars.</p>		

	It was resolved to order the 6 stars subject to the following conditions; they must match the existing stars, must carry a warranty, clerk to negotiate up to the quoted price. Proposed Cllr Clews, seconded Cllr G Davis.		
19	<p>PREFERRED SUPPLIER, HEDGELAYING, OLD ALLOTMENT GARDENS</p> <p>Now that the grant for the hedgelaying at the Old Allotment Gardens had been announced the quotations were presented. It was resolved to give the order to R Thompson, hedgelaying only, quotes for removal of arisings to be left until the amount could be seen. Proposed Cllr Barker, seconded Cllr L Freer. Job to commence in September.</p> <p>It was agreed to obtain a price from P Cook Landscapes to cut the bottom end of the Old Allotment Gardens once the pathway had been cut.</p>		
	The meeting closed at 8.40 pm.		

Signed Chairman of Atherstone Town Council.