

ATHERSTONE TOWN COUNCIL

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DOCUMENT	MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
VENUE	Town Council Chamber, North Street
DATE AND TIME	Wednesday 16 th . December 2009, start 7.02pm
ATTENDANCE	Cllrs: Peat, Jarvis, Clews, Chambers, Wright, Sweet, Shaw, Vickers, M Davis, G Davis,
APOLOGIES	Cllrs Macchi, Barker, Hopkins, Freer.
IN ATTENDANCE	Mrs Clay, Mrs Wrigley.
CHAIRMAN	Cllr Jarvis
CLERK	G Day

Item		Actions	Notes
1.	<p>APOLOGIES</p> <p>It was resolved to accept the apologies as stated above. Proposed Cllr Shaw, seconded Cllr G Davis.</p>		
2.	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>To be taken as and when.</p>		
3.	<p>PUBLIC SESSION</p> <p>Mrs Wrigley stated that a culvert near Warwick Drive was partially blocked with rubbish and dog mess. She was advised to report this to the one-stop-shop at NWBC reception.</p> <p>Cllr Wright reported that British Waterways would be repairing the towpath from top lock to bridge 39, for the Arden Trail.</p> <p>Cllr Shaw reported that the County Council would not put lighting on the towpath as it was not their property.</p> <p>Cllr Chambers reported that the Arden Trail sign had been pulled up and thrown in the canal, Cllr Wright said that he had reported it to the Police but they would not give him a crime number as he had not witnessed the actual crime. Cllr Shaw noted that a lot of crime in the area was not reported so statistics appeared to be low.</p> <p>Cllr Shaw stated that the County were working on their budget and were looking for savings of £9 million.</p> <p>Cllr Shaw reported that the county had an online intranet system called WOMBAT which showed, among other things the potential flood areas in Atherstone. The clerk to investigate.</p>		
4.	<p>TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF WEDNESDAY 4th. NOVEMBER 2009</p> <p>The clerk reported that he had found that some of the pages of the above minutes had not saved correctly when previously presented, a corrected copy had been distributed. It was noted that in the attendance it stated County Cllrs, but should have been Borough only, this was amended. It was resolved to accept the amended minutes. Proposed Cllr Shaw, seconded Cllr M Davis.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P105 1/10</p>		

	<p>d) Conservation Areas and Listed Buildings Nothing to report.</p> <p>e) Other Nothing to report.</p> <p>f) Licensing Matters. Nothing on weekly list. Meeting with NWBC confirmed 27th. January 2010, start 6.30pm, during public session.</p>		
<p>10.</p>	<p>CLERK'S REPORT</p> <p>Letter received from NPower regarding payment of unmetered supply for CCTV cameras. Clerk to ask British Gas Business, Cllr Shaw to check at County for changes in supply.</p> <p>E-mail received from Joanne Gordon regarding access across Westwood Road playing fields for the contractors of British Waterways who will be repairing the canal towpath. It was resolved to allow access as long as the ground was returned to its original condition, key to be provided which must be returned. Proposed Cllr Vickers, seconded Cllr Chambers.</p> <p>Confirmation received from Allianz that the War Memorial is not covered by damage insurance. Replacement cost to be determined.</p> <p>Clerk to contact War Memorials Trust regarding grants for refurbishment of memorial.</p> <p>The clerk reported that WALC had advised that reasons for apologies at meetings should be known for approval by Cllrs, however it was acceptable that reasons could be registered by the clerk and only presented if a Cllr was coming close to non-attendance for 6 months. It was resolved that the clerk would keep a record and reasons not to be stated in meetings. Proposed Cllr M Davis, seconded Cllr G Davis.</p> <p>The clerk reported the funeral was due the next day in the grave purchased by NWBC. It was resolved that the Council would buy a wreath for the funeral. Proposed Cllr Clews, seconded Cllr Vickers.</p>		
<p>11.</p>	<p>POLICY</p> <p>a) Annual Dinner</p> <p>Guest Speaker, it was reported that the person from British Waterways was not available. It was resolved that Cllr Wright would be the guest speaker, proposed Cllr Jarvis, seconded Cllr Chambers.</p> <p>Cllr Shaw left the meeting at 7.58pm.</p> <p>It was agreed that the dress code would be "Black tie preferred"</p> <p>It was resolved that Cllr Jarvis would compile the guest list, proposed Cllr G Davis, seconded Cllr M Davis.</p> <p>It was confirmed that Mr Ian Haley would introduce the Honorary Citizen and would receive 2 complimentary tickets, proposed Cllr G Davis, seconded Cllr M Davis.</p> <p>b) Floral Displays</p> <p>It was agreed to obtain quotes for summer planting in case plants needed to be grown, Smithy Farm Shop, Hours of Flowers and Durnos to be asked.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P107 1/10</p>		

	<p>c) Christmas Closing The clerk presented the letters and notices for the shutdown.</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 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 Wright, seconded Cllr M Davis.</p> <p>d) CCTV Cllr M Davis gave a report from the partnership meeting, the proposed changes were noted by NWBC, with a view to incorporation in the agreement document. It was noted that the Police did not attend the meeting.</p> <p>It was agreed to invite the Quadrant representative to meet the CCTV group to discuss the quotes for system extension.</p> <p>The clerk to contact Leek Wootton for their recommendation regarding a link to Police Headquarters.</p>		
	<p>The meeting closed at 8.43 pm.</p>		

Signed

Chairman of Atherstone Town Council.