

ATHERSTONE TOWN COUNCIL

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DOCUMENT	MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
VENUE	Town Council Chamber, North Street
DATE AND TIME	Wednesday 24 th . March 2010, start 7.00pm
ATTENDANCE	Cllrs: Wright, Shaw, M Davis, G Davis, Peat, Vickers, Chambers, Clews, Jarvis, Hopkins, Freer, Singh, Barker.
APOLOGIES	Cllr Macchi
IN ATTENDANCE	Mrs Clay, Mrs Wrigley, R Freer, N Wood. Borough Cllr Pickard Press G Wilding
CHAIRMAN	Cllr Jarvis
CLERK	G Day

Item		Actions	Notes
1.	APOLOGIES It was resolved to accept the Town Cllrs apologies as stated above. Proposed Cllr G Davis, seconded Cllr Peat.		
2.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST To be taken as and when.		
3.	PUBLIC SESSION Mrs Wrigley stated that there was a lot of litter at the electrical sub-station near the old tyre fitters in South Street. Mr Wood raised the issue of the public consultation to be held regarding the Police Station and old Magistrates Court on the coming Friday and Saturday. He noted that the old inspector's report had been to use it for community use. Cllr Shaw noted that the consultation should take place before any course of action be discussed. Cllr Jarvis stated that an informal meeting could be organised on the 30 th . March to discuss the detail of the proposals. Cllr M Davis stated that NWBC were running a Community Award Scheme and each of their Cllrs would make 2 nominations. Cllr Vickers asked if there was any news regarding repair to the old hat factory, Cllr M Davis said it was possible for a repair to be made. Mr Freer said one of these had been made before, but had been ignored. Cllr Jarvis reported that old flowers and wreaths were again being left by the bottom tap in the cemetery. Mrs Clay noted the large amount of milk cartons left in the cemetery, it was felt however that people only took them there to help others to water the flowers. Cllr Vickers raised the issue of dog mess in the town, especially at the entrance to the golf course where people threw their bags into the trees. He stated that he had been in touch with R Thomas. Cllr Hopkins noted that there was a lack of dog bins in the town. Cllr G Davis raised the matter of the memorial bench for Barry and Lola Beeson. Present position to be checked. P147 03/10		

4.	<p>TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF WEDNESDAY 17th. FEBRUARY 2010</p> <p>It was resolved that the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record. Proposed Cllr Vickers, seconded Cllr Clews.</p>		
5.	<p>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF 17TH. FEBRUARY 2010.</p> <p>There were no matters arising.</p>		
6.	<p>CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED</p> <p>4. Reply from ALDI regarding Sheepy Road. It was agreed to ask ALDI remind their drivers and haulage companies to try and keep to their time slots and not to park on residential roads as much as possible.</p> <p>11. Funding request from Ball Game. It was resolved to acknowledge receipt of the request and to ask for details of their insurance and latest accounts. Proposed Cllr M Davis, seconded Cllr Vickers, Cllrs Wright, Clews and Singh abstained.</p> <p>E7. Canal towpath improvements, noted.</p> <p>E13. Warks CC, potholes. Cllr Shaw stated that any instances of potholes could be reported to him directly, or online.</p> <p>E18. Reply from Tamworth Herald, noted.</p> <p>E21. Details of tree surgeon, to be kept on file.</p> <p>E23. It was agreed that if the event was for charity it could be displayed in the noticeboard.</p> <p>E26. It was agreed to set up a meeting between the allotment group and the Bracebridge association.</p> <p>E34. Under-age drinking. It was resolved to suspend the meeting to allow Borough Cllr Pickard to speak regarding his e-mail, proposed Cllr Shaw, seconded Cllr Barker. The subject of ID cards was being brought up with the Police and Borough Licensing by County Cllr Fox. The meeting resumed.</p> <p>E38. Dog fouling at Westwood Road. Dog Warden must be available before any enforcement can take place.</p> <p>E45. Community Groups Awards, nomination forms.</p>		
7.	<p>PLANNING MATTERS</p> <p>a) Planning lists; 7 & 8. b) Consultations.</p> <p>PAP/2010/0099 & 0100 The Three Tuns, Long Street, Atherstone Variation of condition no 5 of planning application and listed building consent (PAP/2006/0535 and 0536) to use flowplast cast iron look-a-like UPVC. It was resolved that there was no objection to this application. Proposed Cllr Barker, seconded Cllr Vickers. Clerk to ask what is the durability of this type of material in this application.</p> <p>PAP/2010/0050 3 Oakfield Gardens, Atherstone Works to lime trees as part of a Tree Preservation Order to carry out minor pruning. It was resolved that there was no objection to this application, if not carried out during bird nesting periods. Proposed Cllr Barker, seconded Cllr Freer.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P148 03/10</p>		

	<p>PAP/2010/0079 10 Penny Hapenny Court, Atherstone First floor extension and installation of light admittance dome in existing roof. It was resolved that there was no objection to this application, if acceptable to the neighbours. Proposed Cllr Barker, seconded Cllr Singh.</p> <p>PAP/2010/0092 St Mary's Church, Friars Gate, Atherstone Application to apply for a further 3 year extension to implement planning permission PAP/2006/0187. It was resolved that there was no objection to this application. Proposed Cllr Barker, seconded Cllr Freer, Cllr Shaw abstained.</p> <p>Additional Consultations</p> <p>PAP/2010/0053 QE School, Witherley Road, Atherstone Installation of floodlights. It was agreed to investigate the proposed light levels and time duration, referred to next available meeting.</p> <p>PAP/2009/0580 & 0585 The Three Tuns, Long Street, Atherstone Variation of condition no 2 (revised design-variation from approved plans) and 6 (revised rooflight design) of Planning Application and Listed Building Consent. It was resolved that there was no objection to this application. Proposed Cllr Shaw, seconded Cllr Barker.</p> <p>c) Decisions None</p> <p>d) Conservation Areas and Listed Buildings It was reported that there had been a satellite dish erected above a shop in Long Street, namely 'Kelly Gs'. Clerk to write to Conservation Officer.</p> <p>e) Other Change of property name, the Partnership Building, Coleshill Road, Atherstone to the Partnership Centre, Coleshill Road, Atherstone, CV9 1BN.</p> <p>f) Licensing Matters. Temporary Event Notice, the Angel Inn & Garden, 24 Church Street, Atherstone, 2, 3, 4 and 5th. April 2010. The Council was concerned regarding the late finishing time and possible noise nuisance. It was resolved to contact NWBC and ask if they would be monitoring the event. Proposed Cllr Clews, seconded Cllr M Davis. It was resolved to contact the Police and ask if they would also be monitoring the event. Proposed Cllr Shaw, seconded Cllr Vickers.</p>		
8.	<p>CLERK'S REPORT The clerk reported that a copy of the notification for Police Station / Magistrates Court Consultation had been received. The clerk reported that amounts of litter and old flowers and wreaths</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P149 03/10</p>		

	were again being left by the bottom water tap, in the Cemetery. (also brought up in public session). It was agreed to get a larger, permanent sign to be erected by the tap.		
9.	<p>CO-OPTION TO VACANCY</p> <p>The clerk reported that there had been 1 applicant for the vacancy, namely Mr Richard Freer. All voted in favour of Richard Freer. Cllr R Freer duly completed and signed his declaration of acceptance, and took his place in the meeting.</p>		
10.	<p>POLICY MATTERS</p> <p>a) Renewal of Shooting Permits (appeals) It was resolved that the names of H Webster & W Webster would be kept on record and the situation would be reviewed in May when the other permits came due for renewal. Proposed Cllr Singh, seconded Cllr L Freer, Cllrs Shaw and R Freer abstained.</p> <p>b) Recommendations from Parish Plan Working Group It was resolved that letters be sent to the partners asking for an update, questions 73/74 changed to green, questions 87/95 write to NWBC. Proposed Cllr Jarvis, seconded Cllr Wright.</p> <p>c) Recommendations from Cemetery Working Group A discussion took place regarding 6 recommendations from the working group, it was resolved to accept items 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6, but item 2 relating to height of memorials to be checked with existing regulations. Proposed Cllr G Davis, seconded Cllr Peat, Cllr Clews abstained.</p> <p>d) Update from Power of Wellbeing Course The clerk reported that a sufficient number of Cllrs were now trained, now a Statement of Intent for Community Engagement had to be produced and formally adopted along with the adoption of the Power of Wellbeing. Clerk to produce draft statement.</p> <p>e) Cemetery water supply, update Work now complete, formal letter to be sent to Severn-Trent, with copy to Mr & Mrs Stepney.</p> <p>g) Final Budget Draft The clerk presented an updated draft of the budget spend for this year and proposed one for 2010/11. It was resolved to accept the draft as presented, proposed Cllr Barker, seconded Cllr Singh.</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 (<i>namely the details of employees, salary of clerks, and details of terms of contracts</i>), 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.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Barker, seconded Cllr M Davis.</p>		
	<p>POLICY MATTERS (cont)</p> <p>h) Update from CCTV Group 3 quotations received from Quadrant, it was resolved to write to the</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P150 03/10</p>		

	<p>prospective partners before proceeding with the camera for Ratcliffe Road, proposed Cllr Shaw, seconded Cllr M Davis.</p> <p>It was resolved to proceed with the camera move at the Sheepy Road depot, with the 10m option, proposed Cllr Shaw, seconded Cllr Barker, Cllr R Freer abstained.</p> <p>It was resolved to proceed with the ADSL link to Leek Wootton, with a trial period of 1 year, proposed Cllr Shaw, seconded Barker, Cllr R Freer abstained.</p> <p>It was resolved to pay for the lamppost modifications at St Mary's Road to accommodate the police CCTV camera. Proposed Cllr Shaw, seconded Cllr M Davis.</p>		
11.	<p>MARKET SQUARE, update from meeting</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding the meeting with NWBC and Warks County Council and subsequently a offer from Howard and Judy Vero to provide historical information and to also meet to discuss the issue. It was resolved to arrange a meeting between The Veros and the Town Council. proposed Cllr Barker, seconded Cllr R Freer.</p>		
12.	<p>GROUNDS MAINTENANCE 2010/11 (quotations)</p> <p>Quotations had been received to the agreed specification, from P Cook Landscapes, Glendale, and a verbal quote from Gorrige Landscapes, Veolia had not responded.</p> <p>The quotations were discussed and P Cook was chosen as the preferred provider, subject to the clerk receiving acceptable references from some of the Parish Councils listed in their company profile. Proposed Cllr M Davis, seconded Cllr Singh, Cllr R Freer abstained.</p>		
13.	<p>STAFFING MATTERS, appraisals, adjourned from 10th, March 2010</p> <p>The clerk left the meeting while his appraisal was discussed, it was resolved that his title would become Town Clerk and that his salary would increase by 1 scale point for the appraisal and a further point for CiLCA , proposed Cllr Barker, seconded Cllr Singh, Cllr Shaw abstained.</p> <p>The clerk rejoined the meeting, the appraisal for the Trainee Clerk was discussed. It was resolved that her title would become Deputy Town Clerk, and that her salary would increase by 1 scale point for the appraisal and a further point for CiLCA, proposed Cllr Barker, seconded Cllr Vickers, Cllr Shaw abstained.</p>		
	<p>The meeting closed at 9.26 pm.</p>		

Signed

Chairman of Atherstone Town Council.