

## ATHERSTONE TOWN COUNCIL

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DOCUMENT	<b>MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING</b>
VENUE	Town Council Chamber, North Street
DATE AND TIME	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> . December 2011 start 7.00pm
IN ATTENDANCE	Town Councillors: Shaw, Peat, G Davis, Barker, R Freer, Macchi, L Freer, M Davis, Clews, Jarvis, Pickard. Members of the public:, Mrs Clay, Mrs Wrigley, Mr Finchett Borough Cllrs: L Dirveiks Police: PCSO Abercrombie
APOLOGIES	Town Cllrs: Vickers, Singh, Wright, McElhone County Cllr: Fox Borough Cllr N Dirveiks
CHAIRMAN	Cllr Shaw
CLERK	Mr G Day

Item		Actions	Notes
1.	<b>APOLOGIES</b> It was resolved to accept the Town Cllrs apologies as listed above, proposed Cllr Barker, seconded Cllr G Davis.		
2.	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b> To be taken as and when.		
3.	<b>PUBLIC SESSION</b> Mrs Wrigley stated that she had been approached by someone who had received a letter about their ashes section memorial, which had been dug out around the base plate. It was pointed out that this was due to this being a potential tripping hazard. Mr Finchett spoke, on behalf of Davis & Davis Properties, about the Old Vero Works in Station Street, with regard to potential purchase. The property is in a conservation area, but not listed. It was agreed that Mr Finchett would send more details. Cllr Clews noted that she had been asked to pass on thanks to Cllr Shaw for the work done in Coleshill Road, dropping kerbs, etc. Cllr Shaw noted that Dickens Night had been very well attended, with no reported problems.		
4.	<b>REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS</b> Cllr Pickard reported that he had spoken to Evan Ross, about the Boxing Club, he stated that a lot of work had been done for the previous contacts, who had then pulled out. He was willing to let the club share the unit with the skate park, if the equipment could be moved each time. The clerk reported that the Football Club had telephoned, about their current arrangements, and would be writing in to explain. Cllr R Freer noted that the situation at the football club was not ideal, and also noted that there was a boxing club operating in the old Wendy Morton dance academy. <b>P91 12/11</b>		

	<p>Cllr Shaw reported that schemes being discussed for next year, at County , were; alleyway leading to the A5 footbridge, lighting in Market Square, but the cover for the station ticket machine could not be considered.</p> <p>Cllr Macchi stated that there were traffic safety problems at the narrow bridge in Holly Lane, in Rowland Way (at the junction with Sheepy Road), where lorries turned, and with lorries parking outside the Sandwich Factory. She also noted that a walkway, between St Georges Road and Sheepy Road, was badly worn.</p> <p>Cllr Pickard reported that lorries were damaging the island at the junction of the A5 and Carlyon Road.</p>		
5.	<p><b>TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF 16<sup>th</sup>. November 2011</b></p> <p>P85, item 3, changed to “Council is looking for funding”</p> <p>P90, item 18, changed to “the meetings would take place immediately after each Council meeting”</p> <p>It was resolved that the amended minutes be accepted as a true record.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr R Freer, seconded Cllr L Freer.</p>		
6.	<p><b>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF 16<sup>th</sup>. November 2011.</b></p> <p>P85, item 3. The clerk circulated a reply regarding the parking at QE School.</p> <p>P85, item 3, County Council farm, Cllr Shaw stated that money had been spent on a farm as compensation for land reclaimed by the County Council.</p> <p>P85, item 3, Cllr L Freer asked that an agenda item be put on a future meeting regarding the 1920 Ball Game raising funds for the War Memorial.</p> <p>P88, item 10. the clerk stated that play area checks did not finish until April 2012, and training was being investigated.</p> <p>P89, item 11, the clerk reported that plot, with the rat problem, was now OK.</p>		
7.	<p><b>INVOICES FOR APPROVAL AND CHEQUES FOR SIGNATURE</b></p> <p>The clerk presented a revised list of invoices with corrected figures for cheques 105779 and 105777, and an additional list of invoices.</p> <p>It was resolved to approve the lists and ratify cheque 105761, and sign cheques 105762 to 105778, and 105779 to 105787. It was also agreed for the clerk to retain cheque 105775, until the work was complete.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Barker, seconded Cllr M Davis.</p>		
8.	<p><b>CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED</b></p> <p>4. Warks County Council, will only pay £100 for this year, and only carry out one cut per year, in future, if deemed necessary. It was agreed to discuss this on next year’s ground maintenance schedule.</p> <p>12. NWBC. Dog fouling issues, joint meeting with NWBC. It was resolved to refer this to the Strategy Group, proposed Cllr R Freer, seconded Cllr G Davis</p> <p>E4. NWBC any issues for annual meeting between NWBC and Parish Councils. Clerk to reply “Dog Fouling”</p> <p>E67. Cllr Pickard, refurbishment of War Memorial. It was resolved to pursue the funding application and refer to Funding Group. Proposed Cllr R Freer, seconded Cllr Pickard, Cllr Barker abstained.</p> <p><b>P92 12/11</b></p>		

	E72. NWBC, request for information, Diamond Jubilee Celebrations. Cllr Jarvis noted that the Carnival Committee was organising an event, as it was the same weekend. It was resolved to tell NWBC that the Town Council was supporting this activity. Proposed Cllr R Freer, seconded Cllr M Davis.		
<b>9.</b>	<b>CORRESPONDENCE ISSUED</b> Filed in office.		
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>PLANNING MATTERS</b></p> <p><b>a) Planning Lists --- 44,45,46</b></p> <p><b>b) Consultations</b></p> <p><b>PAP/2011/0519 30 Herring Road, Atherstone CV9 2NZ</b> Insertion of two French windows with balconies to first floor rear elevation. The clerk reported that approval had been granted, with the condition that a metal barrier across the windows would prevent access to the balcony.</p> <p><b>PAP/2011/0533 3 Bracebridge Road, Atherstone CV9 2AU</b> Two storey extension to rear. It was agreed that there was no objection to this application, if acceptable to the neighbours.</p> <p><b>PAP/2011/0570 37 Sheepy Rd, Atherstone, CV9 3AD</b> Works to trees protected by a tree preservation order It was agreed there was no objection to this application if outside the nesting season.</p> <p><b>PAP/2011/0607 14 The Willows, Atherstone, CV9 3DH</b> Demolish existing conservatory and replace with larger one It was agreed that there was no objection to this application, if acceptable to the neighbours.</p> <p><b>c) Decisions</b> PAP/2011/0443, 119 Long Street, Atherstone – advertisement consent PAP/2011/0516, Lock Atherstone No:5, Coventry Canal, Atherstone Listed building consent granted PAP/2011/0487 Lock 9 Atherstone – not to be determined/ found to be permitted development PAP/2011/0450 87 Long Street, granted PAP/2011/0449 87 Long Street, advertisement consent PAP/2011/0511 NWBC Council House - granted PAP/2011/0507 Old Bank House – Listed building consent granted PAP/2011/0505 Beech House – Conservation Area consent refused PAP/2011/0481 Beech House - Refused</p> <p><b>d) Conservation Areas &amp; Listed Buildings</b> None</p> <p><b>e) Other</b> Letter from County Highways re. PAP/2011/0583, Unit 16D Carlyon Road-objection. Letter from County Highways re. PAP/2011/0054, land at rear of Barge and Bridge-no objection with conditions. It was resolved to write to County Highways to ensure that the costs of moving a lamppost and dropping kerbs was charged to the developer. Proposed Cllr Shaw, seconded Cllr L Freer.</p> <p><b>f) Licensing</b> None</p> <p><b>P93 12/11</b></p>		

11.	<p><b>REPORTS</b></p> <p><b>a) Financial Report</b> The clerk presented a Budget Report and Bank Reconciliation, for November, for information only.</p> <p><b>b) Clerks Report</b> The clerk reported that work was finished on the hedgelaying project, at the Old Allotment Gardens, and a report would be sent to the funder when all invoices had been received. It was resolved to obtain costs for locking bollards or large stones, to prevent unauthorised vehicular access to the site. Proposed Cllr Jarvis. Seconded Cllr Barker.</p> <p><b>c) Representatives Reports</b> Cllr L Freer noted that in the reply received from the County Council, regarding publicity for bus services, it was stated that NWBC were not willing to display bus timetable leaflets in the reception area. It was agreed to ask NWBC if this was still the case. Cllrs M Davis and G Davis reported that they would not be able to attend future meetings of the North Warks Area Committee of Parish Councils, due to a clash of meetings, it was agreed that Cllr R Freer would be the representative.</p>		
12.	<p><b>MARKET SQUARE UPDATE</b> Cllr Shaw noted that costings were being obtained for lighting in the square. Cllr M Davis noted that the formalisation of the management agreement, by NWBC, was due next week.</p>		
13.	<p><b>ASHES SCATTERING AREA</b> The clerk presented a report from the visit, to the cemetery, by Jennifer Yardley of Heart of England Crematorium. A map had also been received, from the Diocese of Coventry, showing the consecrated areas in the cemetery. It was agreed to forward this information to the Cemetery Working Group.</p>		
14.	<p><b>ALLOTMENT MATTERS</b></p> <p>a) Noise Nuisance-update. The clerk reported that the enforcement notice had been received, giving 90 days from the 25<sup>th</sup>. November. He also reported that notices had been displayed, and in accordance with the tenancy agreements, letters sent to all plot holders. The actions and documentation had been notified to NWBC, who were in agreement.</p> <p>b) Animal Emergency Contact Numbers The clerk reported that some plot holders had complained about displaying their private phone numbers, on their plots. It was agreed that the previous resolution should stand if plot holders wanted to keep any livestock, for animal welfare reasons.</p>		
15.	<p><b>REGISTRATION FACILITIES, REPLY RECEIVED</b> It was agreed to take no further action.</p>		
16.	<p><b>DOG EXCLUSION ORDERS, ADVICE FROM NWBC</b> It was agreed to forward the information to the Strategy Working Group</p>		
17.	<p><b>DIAMOND JUBILEE, QUERY FROM NWBC</b> Discussed in Correspondence, it was resolved to put this item on each agenda. Proposed Cllr Jarvis, seconded Cllr R Freer.</p> <p><b>P94 12/11</b></p>		

18.	<b>CODE OF CONDUCT</b> It was agreed to contact Steve Maxey at NWBC, regarding advice and training, and to add to the agenda for the Annual Meeting between NWBC and Parish Councils.		
	<b>The meeting closed at 8.44pm.</b>		

Signed ..... Chairman of Atherstone Town Council.

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