

ATHERSTONE TOWN COUNCIL

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DOCUMENT	MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
VENUE	Town Council Chamber, North Street
DATE AND TIME	Wednesday 6 th . January 2010 start 7.00pm
IN ATTENDANCE	Town Councillors: Wright, Hopkins, M Davis, G Davis, Peat, Shaw, Chambers, Clews, Jarvis, Freer, Borough Councillors Pickard, N Dirveiks, Members of the public: Mr Reynolds.
APOLOGIES	Town Cllrs Macchi, Barker, Vickers. Borough Cllr L Dirveiks.
CHAIRMAN	Cllr Jarvis
CLERK	Mr G Day

Item		Actions	Notes
1.	APOLOGIES As listed above. It was resolved to accept the Town Councillor's apologies as offered. Proposed Cllr G Davis, seconded Cllr Clews.		
2.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST To be taken as and when.		
3.	PUBLIC SESSION Cllr Freer noted that the carving on the towpath, near Pennyhapenny Court had been obscured by a fence erected by one of the residents. Cllr Wright stated that British Waterways had already written to the resident, and that Barratt Homes still had some responsibility for the area.		
4.	REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS Cllr Shaw stated that the initiative 'push for allotments' was being funded by NWBC, over the district, while Atherstone was already providing allotments. Borough Cllr Pickard noted that Council Tax was collected for the area as a whole. Cllr Shaw reported that the County Council Budget meeting had been postponed, but he would be opposing any cuts in the Atherstone area. It was reported that the Borough Licensing Officer had visited a public house in the town and believed that under-age drinking was taking place, upon phoning the police at Leek Wootton was told that the police did not deal with this any more. The clerk was asked to check with the Borough officers coming to the meeting on 27 th . January to discuss licensing, and if acceptable to them the local police would also be invited. County Cllr Fox to be informed also.		
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5	<p>TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS OF 2nd. December 2009</p> <p>The clerk stated that the circulated copies of the minutes did not have page numbers stated on them, these had been added, P95 12/09 to P98 12/09. It was resolved to accept the amended minutes as a true and accurate record, proposed Cllr G Davis, seconded Cllr Freer.</p>		
6.	<p>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS OF 2nd. December 2009.</p> <p>P97 12/09, E3. Reply received regarding Grendon tip, re-siting may take up to 2 years and repairs were necessary now.</p> <p>P97 12/09, Plaque now erected.</p> <p>P97 12/09, Cllr Shaw reported that it was only 1 trusteeship.</p>		
7.	<p>INVOICES FOR APPROVAL AND CHEQUES FOR SIGNATURE</p> <p>The clerk reported that salary cheques 105119 and 105120 had been filled in with the incorrect amounts, these to be adjusted in the next months payments.</p> <p>Cllr Shaw asked about details for Safetest, 105133, clerk to report when certificate received.</p> <p>It was resolved to approve cheques 105118 to 105123 for ratification and cheques 105124 to 105124 for signing. Proposed Cllr G Davis, seconded Cllr Peat.</p> <p>Cllr Jarvis declared an interest in cheques 105129 and 105130 and abstained.</p>		
8	<p>CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED</p> <p>6. Norton Foundation, to be passed to Funding Group.</p> <p>9. NWBC, Allotment Federation AGM, it was resolved that Cllrs Clews, Shaw and Wright should attend, proposed Cllr Jarvis, seconded Cllr Freer.</p> <p>13. NWBC, play area evaluations, Cllrs to respond.</p> <p>E19/22/23/25. It was clarified that when the Town Council was only copied in to some correspondence it would not be listed unless requested by the sender to be circulated.</p> <p>E33. Review of Localities and Community Forums, it was resolved to find out date and place of meeting, and how many could attend. Proposed Cllr Clews, seconded Cllr Freer.</p> <p>E40. Help for your High Street. It was resolved to forward this to the Chamber of Trade, proposed Cllr M Davis, seconded Cllr Freer.</p> <p>E47. Community Allotments, referred to Contracts.</p> <p>E53. Send acknowledgement, forward to Carol Fox.</p> <p>E56. Request for grit box, referred to Contracts.</p>		
9	<p>CORRESPONDENCE ISSUED</p> <p>Filed in office</p>		
10.	<p>REPORTS</p> <p><u>Financial Report</u></p> <p>The clerk presented a budget report and a bank reconciliation for December 2009.</p> <p>The clerk presented a budget report for the year up to the end of December.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P110 1/10</p>		

	<p>It was resolved to accept these reports, proposed Cllr Shaw, seconded Cllr M Davis. The clerk was asked to produce a draft budget for 2010/2011.</p> <p><u>Clerk's Report</u> The clerk reported that the cemetery roads and pathways had been gritted prior to Christmas. Paths would only now be cleared for funerals, and the cemetery would be closed to vehicles if the roads became too icy. Proposed Cllr M Davis, seconded Cllr Hopkins. The clerk gave a reminder that NWBC officers would attend the meeting on 27th. January 2010 to discuss licensing, starting at 6.30pm. Any questions to be sent to the clerk. It was agreed to put a notice on the memorial damaged by a car just before Christmas. The clerk reported that a large branch had to be removed from a tree in the Sheepy Road land. NWBC and some of the contractors to be asked if who can respond quickly for emergency situations.</p> <p><u>Representative's Reports</u> Cllr Shaw reported that the provision of a ticket machine for the railway station was ongoing. He reported that the Civic Society was pushing for extra car parking at the station.</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 G Davis, seconded Cllr M Davis.</p>		
11.	<p>CHRISTMAS LIGHTS The clerk reported that the lights were now switched off, apart from the column mounted ones in the square. A date for the dismantling was still awaited. The cheque for the erection/dismantling was being withheld until the job was completed, Bibby Factors had been informed.</p>		
	<p>The meeting closed at 9.20pm.</p>		

Signed

Chairman of Atherstone Town Council.