

# *Atherstone Town Council*

## Newsletter – Winter 2008

### **Dickens Night**

Atherstone Town Mayor, Gill Davis switched on the Christmas Light to start off the festivities of yet another very successful evening for the Town which culminated with a spectacular firework display.



### **New Train Service**

On 14 December the Mayor and Mayoress of Stone arrived at Atherstone Station to commemorate the new service from Crew to London and were greeted by Atherstone Town Mayor Cllr Gill Davis, her Consort Cllr Martin Davis and representatives from the Town Council and other organisations from across the town. Following the exchange of gifts the group gathered in The Red Lion for a celebratory drink to mark this great occasion.

### **Atherstone Hunt**

The Atherstone Hunt met on Boxing Day in the Market Square for their customary Christmas Hunt.



## **Atherstone Town Mayor Councillor Gill Davis**

It has been a busy winter for me as Mayor of Atherstone but has been filled with sadness with the loss of our dear friend and colleague Cllr Barry Beeson in December, following a short illness and our thoughts are with his widow Lola and her family.

I have attended many events including being invited to represent Atherstone at the enthronement of the new Bishop of Coventry, which was a great experience promoting Atherstone amongst a large number of dignitaries from across Warwickshire and Coventry who assembled in the Cathedral to welcome the new Bishop,

Dickens Night was again a very successful evening which was

enjoyed by approximately 12,000 people, some of whom were guests from across the County. The Town received many compliments during the evening for the event and saying what a lively, welcoming and friendly town they found Atherstone to be. We now have a new hourly rail service to London with 14 trains each way a day. On the 14<sup>th</sup> December to mark this new service the Mayor and Mayoress of Stone visited Atherstone on the first train as this was a resumption of train services between the two towns after many years. I was pleased to greet them on behalf of the town together with a group of representatives from local Atherstone organisations. We hope that this new service will put Atherstone well and truly on the map so I ask you to please promote and use this great new service because if we do not use it, we may lose it.

## **Contact the Town Council**

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**Atherstone Town Council is a Quality Status Council.**

### **Town Council Meetings**

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2008

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2008

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2009

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2009

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2009

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2009

### **Councillor Surgeries**

Surgeries on each occasion will be from 6.30pm until 7.00pm prior to the first Town Council meeting each month followed by a public session from 7.00pm to 7.15pm.

Please come along with anything you think a councillor can help you with.