



Market Square Events

Atherstone Market

Every Tuesday and Friday
9am to 3pm
in the Market Square, Atherstone

Come and visit your local market with:

- Fruit & Veg
- Butcher
- Fishmonger
- Menswear
- Ladies wear
- Household goods
- Jewellery, and more



The market is great value for money, bringing you quality products at affordable prices.



Contact Details

Contact Us:

In Person

Town Council Office, The Old Mortuary, North Street, CV9 1JN.
Every Weekday 9.30 – 11.00am

Write to

PO Box 2000, Atherstone,
CV9 1YN

Telephone

01827 720829

Email

clerk@atherstone-tc.gov.uk

Website

www.atherstone-tc.gov.uk

Have Your Say!

Councillor surgeries are held at 6.30pm until 7.00pm prior to the monthly Town Council meeting. All council meetings also include a public session when items for a future agenda can be raised.

Meeting Dates:

18th September 2019
16th October 2019
20th November 2019
11th December 2019
15th January 2020
12th February 2020

Town Councillors:

Susan Allan-Stubbs	07483 830149
Sara Bishop	01827 717480
Jacky Chambers	07966 425052
Denise Clews	07477 607255
Tony Clews	01827 711340
Lorna Dirveiks	01827 713191
Dawn Downes	07477 607255
Ian Driver	07815 122263
Carl Gurney	01827 713976
Brian Henney	07931 588218
Ray Jarvis	01827 716534
Mark Jordan	07775 987866
Angie Spencer	07974 302910
Mejar Singh	01827 712305
David Wright	07711 330040



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Newsletter September 2019

New Ashes Scattering Area

Atherstone Town Council has opened a new Ashes Scattering Area within the Cemetery on Sheepy Road in Atherstone.

The Mayor of Atherstone, Cllr David Wright officially opened the area in a service led by Rev. Michael Brandsma.

The event was attended by The Mayor of North Warwickshire Cllr Denise Clews, local North Warwickshire Borough and Town councillors, local clergy and members of the public.

The Ashes Scattering Area has been specially designed and landscaped with flowering and evergreen shrub and tree planting to create



an attractive, tranquil space for visitors, as well as incorporating a new shelter, seating area and memorial wall.

The new ashes scattering service is now open for bookings. For further information please contact the Town Council directly (see back page for contact details).



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With thanks to Graham Beale for photographs.



Mayoral Diary



Mayor's Consort Pauline Gurney

I was extremely privileged to be elected as Town Mayor for 2019-20, and an important part of my office is to promote and represent the town at civic events across Warwickshire. The first four months of my term of office have been very busy; highlights included my invitation to the High Sheriff of Warwickshire's drinks reception at which we were introduced to the Wing-Commander and some of the squadron of RAF Brize Norton. It was a pleasure to be able to meet a group of people who contribute so much to our country. Both myself and my consort Pauline thoroughly enjoyed the event.

In July we took part in Alcester Mayor's Quiz, at which myself, Pauline, the Deputy Mayor and consort Cllr Denise Clews and Cllr Tony Clews represented the Town amongst other local dignitaries.

I also attended Warwick Civic Service and Folk Festival in late July. The event showcased a wide range of local and national dance groups, from Morris dancers to other fantastic folk dancing groups, such as the Ravens (right). We paraded to the church for a service and then returned to the Court House to meet and greet the great variety of performers. We mingled and spoke to the dance groups and had a very pleasant afternoon.



Members of RAF Brize Norton

The Heritage Walk around Leamington Spa was certainly a highlight of the civic calendar and we had a good afternoon walking around the town, learning about the history and enjoying tea and cakes afterwards in Jephson Gardens.

In my capacity as officer of the Atherstone Civic Society, I found the recent Roman pottery conference especially interesting and informative. The Study Group put on an exhibition of Roman pottery and some leading historians gave talks on the finds and their impact. I have a particular interest in local heritage and so the event for me was certainly a great

Locally, I also attended the 125th Anniversary of Atherstone Golf club and was asked to present some of the trophies.

Overall it has been an enjoyable first few months of my term of office and I look forward to attending more events in the coming months.

- Town Mayor Cllr Carl Gurney.

If you would like to contact the Mayor to invite them to any event, contact us on 01827 720829



Town Mayor Cllr Carl Gurney



The Ravens dance group, who travelled from Windsor to attend.



Upcoming Events

**HERITAGE CAFE
AT ST MARY'S
ATHERSTONE**

Open Tues, Thurs & Fri 10:00 – 2:00
2019 Heritage Talks
Programme.
1pm on the last Thursday of each month

Sep 26 th	The Hatting Industry of Atherstone (Sheila Johnstone)
Oct 31 st	Ghosts, Myths & Legends of Warwickshire (Eddie Smallwood)
Nov 28 th	Guy Fawkes – The Gunpowder Plot (Eddie Smallwood)
Dec 12 th	Victorian Christmas (Eddie Smallwood & Yvonne Stone)

£6 pp includes a 2 course lunch.
Book your place in the
Coffee Shop, Church Street

The Market Place, Atherstone, Warwickshire, CV9 1EX
01827 720027 www.stmarysatherstone.co.uk office@stmarys.co.uk

**Atherstone Partnership
presents ...**

**Sunday
Town Market**

Market Square, Atherstone

**26 May | 30 June
28 July | 29 September**

11 am – 4 pm

Crafts, antiques & much more

Bouncy castle

Face painting

St. Mary's Church Atherstone

PRESENTS



**Simon Henley as
ELVIS**

Christmas tribute to Elvis Presley

Saturday 7th December 2019

Church opens at 6.30pm

Performance starts at 7.30pm

**TICKETS
£12 Each
Available From**

**Ray Jarvis
07702 517715**

**Michael Brandsma
Vicar**

**Lynsey
At Flower House
Market Street
Atherstone**

**INCLUDES
LICENCED
BAR FROM
ANGEL ALE
HOUSE**

St. Mary's Church Atherstone

PRESENTS

THE UK'S PREMIER TRIBUTE TO THE BEATLES



**IT'S THE
BEATLES**
BEATLES TRIBUTE BAND

SATURDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER 2019
CHURCH OPENS AT 6.30PM
PERFORMANCE STARTS AT 7.30PM



Community News

Funding Opportunities

TOWN COUNCIL COMMUNITY GRANT FUND

Applications are invited in May and November each year.

Download an application at:
www.atherstone-tc.gov.uk

or apply to:
The Town Clerk, Atherstone Town Council, PO Box 2000, Atherstone, Warwickshire, CV9 1YN

Support for Local Groups

The Town Council is able to make small grants to assist local community groups. In 2018/19 the Council has supported:

Atherstone Cricket Club (right),
Friends of the Square,
Heritage Atherstone Team (HAT),
St. Mary's Church,
Summer in the Square (right),
Badgers 10k,
Atherstone Motor Show,
Atherstone Ball Game (right),
Atherstone Pony Club,
Atherstone Beer Festival.

Dickens Night

Atherstone Town Council is proud to once again support Dickens 2019. This year's event has been pushed back by one hour in line with public demand. It will start at 1pm and continue until the firework show at 7pm. The event is a major attraction for Atherstone, providing marvellous entertainment for thousands of people, enjoyed by all ages alike.

The Town Council invites dignitaries from across the region, and representatives from the community of Atherstone, to visit the town and celebrate the start of the Christmas season with the switch on of the Christmas Lights.

The hard work and effort put in by the organisers, completely voluntarily, is to be congratulated and they are wholeheartedly thanked by the Town Council for providing such an excellent event.

The Town Council wishes the Dickens Committee 2019 every success with this year's event.



Ball game winner Jonathan Slessor



Cllrs Singh and Jarvis opening new astroturf wicket at Atherstone Cricket Club



Summer in the Square takes place twice every year in June and August



Community News

Anti-crime boxing club to open in town



Atherstone Town Council recently granted financial support to this local police-led initiative, providing £750-worth of boxing equipment. Boxing and fitness classes are to prevent and detect crime. The club will be held in the large second floor boxing/fitness suite at the Fitness Station, Station Street, Atherstone. The project is aimed at the younger members of our community and will be used to educate and divert them away from criminal activity and anti social behaviour. It aims to give young people role models they have been missing and the opportunity to progress both mentally and physically in a way that they were unable to prior to the introduction of the club. It is Warwickshire Police's intention to continue running the club as long as it is of benefit to the community it serves in conjunction with its Policing priorities.

Town Crier wanted



A competition for the appointment of a Town Crier is to be held soon. The winner will be provided with a uniform (pictured left) and will become a member of the Guild of Town Criers. Once a member, they can enter Town Criers World and local Championships, if they so wish. See next issue for more details, or enquire at Town Council office.

Allotments Available

Ever thought of growing your own produce? Now is the perfect time to get digging and renting your own allotment.

The Town Council owns two allotment sites:

Gypsy Lane Allotments, Gypsy Lane, Atherstone.

and

Merevale Allotments, Bracebridge Road, Atherstone.

The procedure for getting an allotment is quite straightforward. You must be over 18 and prepared to sign a tenancy agreement which runs from year to year.

An average rent is between £20-£40 per year, which can be paid in two instalments.

You may be placed on a waiting list, dependent on availability and demand.





Honorary Citizen Award 2020

Do you know someone who deserves to be Honorary Citizen of Atherstone 2020?

The Town Council would be interested to hear from you with the names and details of individuals who volunteer their time for the good of the community of Atherstone and who have done so for a number of years.

The award is decided by resolution of the full Town Council at the meeting on Wednesday 20th November 2019 and the Awards Ceremony will take place at the Annual Town Council Dinner the following spring.

Written nominations must be made through one of the Town Councillors and received no later than midday on Monday 18th November 2019.

See our website www.atherstone-tc.gov.uk or contact the Town Council directly on 01827 720829 for further information about how to nominate and for a copy of a nomination form.



2019 Honorary Citizen Jane Bennett, with her award presented by Town Mayor Cllr David Wright



Honorary Citizens of Atherstone

2002	Violet Ford
2003	Derek Forwood
2004	Alec Chesterton
	June Maidens MBE
2005	Derek Holt
	Joan Dyas
2006	Tony Wright MBE
2007	Ken Horton
2008	John Vickers
	Doreen Vickers
2009	Mavis Deeming
2010	Paul Clamp

2011	Sharon Holland
2012	Ruby Chambers
2013	Sharon Everitt
2014	Kelvin Irons
2015	Howard Vero
	Judy Vero
2016	Martin Shaw
2017	Graham Beale
2018	Margaret Wilkins
2019	Jane Bennett



Your Town Councillors



Cllr Susan Allan-Stubbs
South Ward



Cllr Sara Bishop
North Ward



Cllr Jacky Chambers
Central Ward



Cllr Denise Clews
South Ward



Cllr Tony Clews
North Ward



Cllr Lorna Dirveiks
Central Ward



Cllr Dawn Downes
Central Ward



Cllr Ian Driver
Central Ward



Cllr Carl Gurney
North Ward



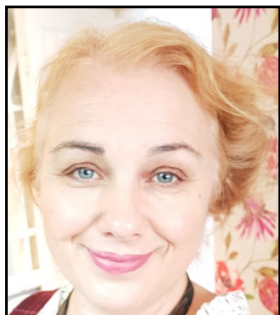
Cllr Brian Henney
North Ward



Cllr Ray Jarvis
South Ward



Cllr Mark Jordan
Central Ward



Cllr Angie Spencer
Central Ward



Cllr Mejar Singh
North Ward



Cllr David Wright
North Ward