

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF ATHERSTONE
PARISH**

<u>Date of meeting</u>	Wednesday 1 ST May 2013 at 6.30 p.m.
<u>Place of Meeting</u>	The Town Council Chamber, The Old Mortuary, North Street.
<u>Present</u>	
Town Cllrs:	Cllr Singh, Cllr M Davis, Cllr G Davis
Town Clerk:	Graham Day
Deputy Town Clerk:	Sally Oldham
County and Borough Cllrs:	none in attendance
Public:	Mrs D.Clay, Mrs M.Wrigley,
Apologies	Town Cllrs R Freer, L Freer, Macchi, McElhone, Clews and Jarvis, Borough Cllrs Fox, N Dirveiks and L Dirveiks
Chairman	Cllr. Mejar Singh Gill
Clerk	Sally Oldham

Cllr. Singh opened the meeting by welcoming all the attendees.

**1) TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF
2nd MAY 2012**

The minutes were approved and there were no matters arising.

2/ PRESENTATION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL'S ANNUAL REPORT.

Cllr Singh presented the Annual Report of the Town Council. Cllr Singh thanked Cllr Barker for stepping in as Deputy Mayor and highlights of the year were identified including the War Memorial grant and ongoing plans for the Old Allotment Gardens. The new Retail Radio initiative was working well. Issues were identified at the play areas which had to be closed from time to time due to damage. Cllr Singh highlighted the Community events funded by the Town Council including the Jubilee Celebrations. Cllr Singh noted the new Honorary Citizen for 2013 Sharon Everitt and commented on how pleasing the floral displays looked. He concluded by drawing attention to the Town Council website which provided up to date information about the work of the Town Council.

3/ ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs Wrigley commented that recently a helicopter had circled over the town for an hour and a half whilst trying to apprehend perpetrators of a break in. Mrs Wrigley expressed concern that lights in the town are being switched off to save money so was this a necessary expense? Why were there no police cars rather than a helicopter?

Mrs Clay reported that the grating outside Kindermart needed attention. It was a WCC Highways issue that had been reported to Cllr Shaw.

Mrs Wrigley reported that there was still a parking problem on her street with over 10 cars for 8 houses.

The meeting closed at 6.40pm