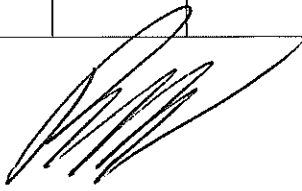


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DOCUMENT	MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
VENUE	Virtual Meeting held via ZOOM.
DATE AND TIME	Tuesday 2nd March 2021 7.30pm
IN ATTENDANCE	Town Councillors: Jarvis, D, Clews, T, Clews, Gurney, Jordan, Bishop, Chambers, Wright, Singh, Spencer, Police: None. Borough and County Councillors: None. Public: Martin Short, G Chamberlain, J Wintrip Press: None
APOLOGIES	None
CHAIRMAN	Cllr Jarvis
CLERK	Clerk Odette Ghent also present Deputy Clerk Sally Oldham

Item		Action by	Notes
1.	APOLOGIES AND ACCEPTANCE OF REASON OF ABSENCE None		
2.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS FOR DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS. DECLARATIONS OF GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY. It was agreed that these would be taken as and when.		
3.	PUBLIC SESSION The tenant from unit 1 in the Arcade attended the meeting to discuss the Town Council decision not to allow her to add Greeting Cards and Gift Bags retrospectively to her lease. She explained that a tenant that recently retired who sold Greeting Cards along with other gift items in her unit has passed on the remainder of her stock to sell and the tenant in Unit 8 had recently vacated also sold cards. There was a discussion with the tenant and the Councillors about the matter and she was advised a decision would be made in the Private & Confidential part of the meeting. Gary Chamberlain on behalf of Atherstone Partnership that they are working on an event to be held shortly depending on Government restrictions in place at the time with contingency plans in place. Regarding the Enterprise Hub they have a meeting to discuss their budget to submit to WCC on Wednesday 4 th March 2021 P130 03/21		

	<p>There will be a full Partnership meeting held via Zoom on Tuesday 9th March 2021 at 5pm and invites will be sent out.</p> <p>Gary Chamberlain gave a brief explanation for his resignation as Town Councillor sharing his frustrations and annoyance that he was unable to speak in Town Council meetings about Arcade issues as also being an Arcade tenant. He stated he felt he could better focus his position elsewhere in the Town.</p> <p>Mr Short spoke about members of the public not being able to log on to Zoom meetings if they don't have internet and that there are telephone numbers via Zoom that can be used, and he urged the Council to make this available to the public.</p> <p>Gary Chamberlain reported that its his intention to start streaming the Town Council meetings on the Stone Channel via his Videography part of his business.</p> <p>Cllr Bishop paid her respects and tributes to Cllr Dawn Downes that recently passed away.</p>		
4	<p>COUNCILLOR RESIGNATION & VACANCIES UPDATE</p> <p>The Clerk confirmed following the resignation of Cllr Gary Chamberlain there is a vacancy for the Central Ward.</p> <p>Summary of vacancies as below.</p> <p>Central Ward - This will go to Election 6th May 2021</p> <p>South Ward – No call for an election, this will be filled by Co Option closing date being Wednesday 14th April 2021 to be filled by a majority vote of Councillors attending the Town Council meeting on Wednesday 21st April 2021</p> <p>Central Ward – Notice of vacancy in office of Councillor went up 24th February 2021 closing date is 16th March 2021</p>		
	<p>PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL</p> <p>Atherstone Town Council recognises that the reasons for exemptions as laid out under section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 apply to principal councils only but are making use of them as good practice guidance and in accordance with their Standing Orders.</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 as below.</p> <p>P131 03/21</p>		

	<p>Details of the terms of contracts for the acquisition or disposal of Property, or for the supply of goods and service.</p> <p>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 paragraph 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the said Act, that the public be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Wright seconded Cllr Singh</p>		
5.	<p>ARCADE leases</p> <p>There were further discussions about allowing the unit 1 tenant to add Greetings Cards and Gift Bags to her lease.</p> <p>Cllr Wright proposed that Unit 1 could terminate their current lease and take out a new lease including the items discussed seconded Cllr Singh.</p> <p>All tenants to be written to advising them that they should abide by the permitted use as stated on their lease.</p>		
6.	<p>CCTV MONITORING</p> <p>No update at present</p>		
7.	<p>QUOTATIONS</p> <p>1. Fire Alarm Monitoring 2. Cemetery extension/maintenance</p> <p>Quotations had not been received.</p>		
	The meeting finished at 8:30pm		

Signed Chairman of Atherstone Town Council

