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**Atworth Parish Council Meeting  
Wednesday, 21 January, 2015**

**at**

**Atworth Institute / Village Hall at 7pm**

**Minutes**

**ATTENDING – Cllrs Effie Gale-Sides, Chairman, Maureen Weston, Vice Chairman, Alan Bagnell, Julia de Malpas-Player, Ros Cooper, Arnold Snowball, Charles Boyle**

**APOLOGIES – Cllrs William Bird, Ruth Griffin, Terry Chivers**

**1 Welcome and Apologies**

**2 Minutes**

To approve and sign the minutes, of the Nov 2014, Atworth Parish Council Meeting.

**Resolved** to approve the minutes **CB and MW**

**3 Declarations of Interest** - there were none.

**4 Formal closure of the meeting** – no MOP attending.

**5 Public Question Time** – not applicable

**6 Reconvene the meeting** – not applicable.

**7 Police Report** – given by PC Barry Dalton (See Appendix 1)

**8 Other Reports** – there were none.

**9 Rural Housing Needs Survey** – Feedback Request. Please let the parish Clerk have your views by the end of Feb 2015 so that the Parish Plan Review can include the overall view of the Parish Council.

**10 Matters Arising**

- 2015/16 Precept – The proposed precept detail has been distributed to all members under separate cover. **Resolved to set the precept at £22787 – this figure does not include the Wiltshire Council Grant - £475 , CB AND MW (See appendix 2)**
- Twinning – Charles Boyle – Update  
Charles outlined the way forward as follows,
  - The process will take time as the procedure is monitored by the EU

- Formal registration is required in order to submit the twinning proposal
- Landscaping Contract – AW Services – The contract is signed and a pre service delivery meeting will take place to ensure that contract adherence is maintained.
- Recent flooding – flood wardens are actively being sought. There is also a requirement for a storage container which will house bollards, sand and bags, tabards, traffic cones, a wheel barrow and trolley, etc. The clerk was asked if planning permission would be required for the container which will be located at the Rec. This will feature as an agenda item at our next meeting.

#### **ACTION CLERK**

- Defibrillator training – Accreditation now signed as complete. St John's Ambulance are happy to do more training when necessary. The Parish Clerk will maintain a register of willing potential trainees.
- Youth Club Flooding – Insurance claims are being processed. A high cost burden is being absorbed by the youth club itself and they have been advised to contact Wessex Water to ascertain if they can compensate, bearing in mind the mains water pressure fluctuations at the time was the cause of the problem.

## **11 Agenda items**

- St John's Ambulance – Defibrillator Training - Donation **Resolved to offer a donation to the trainers for services rendered to date. This payment to be from the APC Defibrillator Fund - £75 AB and CB**
- Pedestrian Crossing Issues – Clerk is to request a seat at future CATG meetings to ensure that the pedestrian crossing issues, such as halos, L.E.Ds and extension of zigzags, are placed back on the CATG agenda. **Resolved MW and RC ACTION PARISH CLERK**
- Village Notice Boards – **Resolved that one new board be purchased for 2015 - £500 and matched funding to be sought. AB and AS**
- Defibrillator Governance – revenue fund in place, no anticipated costs for the forthcoming year

## **12 Correspondence**

- Funeral Bier – Donation received - £50 from L Clarke, whose family recently used the Bier. The family asked if the money could be set aside for future upkeep of the Funeral Bier . A letter of thanks to be sent to L. Clarke

#### **ACTION PARISH CLERK**

- CAB – Request for funding – **Resolved not to fund – APC policy**
- Waiting Restrictions Mead Park and Coronation / Bradford Rd Update – Resolved to formally request that the lines be installed and that Cllr John Thompson, Cabinet Member be advised of the request

#### **ACTION PARISH CLERK**

- Wiltshire Council – Planning Appeal Information only– Solar Farm at Little Chalfield
- There had been a telephone complaint concerning dog fouling in the lane off Purpitt. Posters will be erected in that area and spray will be applied, in due course. **ACTION JMP AND PARISH CLERK**

### 13 Planning Applications

<u>Reference</u>	<u>Application details</u>
W14/11215/FUL	Single storey rear extension and single storey front porch extension  50 Bath Rd Atworth. SN12 8JY

### 14 Authorisation of Cheques

• 976	Stonemasons initial fee	1413.00
• 977	RBS Software maintenance	130.80
• 978	cancelled cheque	-----
• 979	Clerks salary	1835.45
• 980	HMRC tax	72.79
• 981	HMRC tax refund to Clerk	254.81
• 982	Stonemason's final fee	2827.00

**Resolved to approve these cheques AS and RC**

### 15 Financial Statement – 5/01/15

#### Bank Balances

Current Account – Lloyds	(28/11/14)	15208
Deposit Account – Santander	(06/12/14)	4533

#### Add monies owed to Council

VAT Refund Due	61
Parking & Gate Fees	322
Monies banked but not shown	125

<b>Deduct monies owed by Council</b>	<b>0</b>
Cheques not yet cashed	5121

**Total Current Net Cash Assets 15128**

**Resolved to accept the financial statement CB and MW**

**16 Any Other Business**

- Christmas decorations on the clock tower. The Parish Clerk was thanked for putting these up and for removing them at the end of the season. There was a request for more next year.
  - National grid - delivery of large load, Jan 25 Letters have been sent to all residents
  - Safe Places Initiative – The White Hart have registered to support this
  - Independent Church – Clock Tower restoration assistance – Donation consideration – Agenda item for the March 2015 meeting
- ACTION PARISH CLERK**

**17 Date of Next Meeting**

Parish Council Meeting, Wed, March 18, 2015  
Parish Assembly Meeting, Wed, April 15, 2015

**Police Report 21<sup>st</sup> January 2015**

- There had been some evidence of minor anti social behaviour over the festive period in the village, silly string spraying and knocking and running away from people's front doors.
- Adjacent villages have suffered from opportunist thieves breaking into garages, sheds and outbuildings. High value items are targeted. The police message is to record serial numbers of any such items so that you can then possibly be reunited with your property.
- Community messaging can be signed up to if you wish to be regularly updated regarding local crime patterns. You do not need to be online to take advantage of the confidential information offer.

[www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk](http://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk) refers, or simply ask your local police officer for an application form.

Appendix 2

**Atworth Parish Precept 2015/16**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>2014/15</b>	<b>2015/16</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
CLERKS SALARY	6,465	6,865
GENERAL ADMIN	2,685	2,547
CARETAKING	750	750
VILLAGE HALL	2,000	3,000
VILLAGE HALL RATES	100	100
RECREATION GROUND RATES	138	140
WATER RATES	138	140
INSURANCE	3,450	3,450
AUDIT FEES	250	250
PRESENTATIONS	100	100
YOUTH CLUB RENT		30
YOUTH CLUB GRANT	750	1,000
GRASS CUTTING	1,400	1,400
CLOCK TOWER	2,300	250
ARMISTICE WREATH (S.137)	20	20
FLAGS	200	200
PEDESTRIAN CROSSING	1,000	2,000
FLOOD RELIEF	-	520
NOTICE BOARD AT CLOCK TOWER	-	500
PARISH PLAN	300	-
OTHER PARISH AMENITIES	100	-
JUBILLEE BENCH	500	-

<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>22,646</b>	<b>23,262</b>
<b>Less subsidy from Wiltshire County</b>	-	-475
<b>Atworth Parish Precept</b>	<b>22,646</b>	<b>22,787</b>
Tax Base	473.36	476.32
Charge Band D	<b>47.84</b>	<b>47.84</b>