

ATHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 15 February 2011 at St Mary's Church, Atherington at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs W White (Chairman), R Domleo, M Milton and G Weeks.

In attendance: 3 parishioners, District Councillor A Cook, PCSO Jerzy Rozputynski, Parish Clerk.

152. Matters Raised by the Public/Police Report

PCSO Jerzy Rozputynski reported that 3 incidents had been reported during the past 30 days. Calls related to an exhaust falling off a car, a large vehicle in a lay-by and the theft of fuel from Fishleigh Rock. He urged everyone to ensure that garden sheds and oil tanks were kept locked. An unusual crime had taken place along the A377 where trees were being felled and removed.

153. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Mrs M Squire, Mrs M Wilson, J Umpleby and County Councillor R Edgell,

154. Declarations of Interest

Cllr White declared a personal interest on items related to Bonds Farm.

155. Approval of Minutes of the meeting held on 18 January 2011

The Minutes of the last meeting was agreed and signed as a true record.

156. Matters Arising from the last meeting

Minute 133. The Clerk read a report from PC Adrian Micallef detailing crimes that had taken place in the parish during 2010.

157. Provision of Defibrillators for Atherington parish.

Application Forms for grants towards defibrillators had been received from the British Heart Foundation. No response had been received from the ambulance Service regarding the council's query into the compatibility of defibrillators.

158. County Council

Cllr R Edgell not present, having tendered his apologies.

It was reported that the exhibition on Saturday of the proposed development had been very well received. A potential problem regarding ownership of the 'conservation area' had not been resolved. It was agreed that the Parish Council should assist in resolving the problem.

159. Highways

It was reported that although pot-holes had been repaired promptly, some repairs had only lasted 10 days. The water tables had been partly cleared on Chantry Hill, but not enough material had been removed, resulting in water still running in the road.

Highways had not contacted Cllrs Milton and Weeks regarding the clearing of drains, as requested after the last meeting.

Surface water at Hightown had been unofficially tested and found to be mains water. It was agreed to contact Highways to request a water test.

160. District Council

Concern was expressed over the power supply to the Bonds Farm development, it being noted that WPD was not listed as a consultee. Clerk to contact Jean Watkins at the Planning Department.

It was reported that piping had been dumped at the Easter Hill lay-by. Clerk to report.

Cllr Domleo reported on the Quiet Waters Planning Appeal. A site visit had taken place on 14 February. As he was not able to attend all the appeal, the inspector had agreed to accept his written report on behalf of the parish council.

161. Neighbourhood Watch

Nothing to add from the police report.

162. Planning

1. **Applications:** None.
2. **Decisions:** None.

163. Finance

1. **Receipts:** VAT Refund £1442.37
2. **Current Balance:**

Business A/c	£1781.29	
Business 30 Day A/c	£5746.49	
3. **Payments:**
 1. Atherington Children's Playing Field £1432.63 Cheque no. 530
 2. Clerk's Salary & expenses £128.24 Cheque no. 531

The two accounts were approved for payment.

164. Review of Standing Orders

Deferred until the next meeting.

165. Amenities.

Nothing to report.

166. Church Hall

Cllr Milton reported that refurbishment of the kitchen would be the next area to receive attention.

167. Playing Field

Cllr Domleo reported that good progress was being made inside the pavilion. The electrics in the old pavilion had been removed.

168. Correspondence

1. A Flood Survey had been received from DCC. This was completed.
2. Details of Enquiry Office closures had been received from the police.
3. Nominations forms for Parish Council Chairmen to attend a Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace had been received from DALC. It was agreed to nominate Cllr and Mrs Umpleby.
4. NDC had enquired if Parish Councils required Polling Cards for the forthcoming election. If so parish councils would be responsible for the full cost. It was agreed not to request polling cards.
5. A list of training events had been received from DALC

169. Matters Arising at the Chairman's discretion.

None.

170. Date of next meeting: 15 March 2011, at St Mary's Church.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8:50pm.