

# Atworth Traffic Action Group (ATAG)

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## Report of a meeting of the Organising Committee of the Group (Meeting reference 20120625)

A meeting of the Organising Committee of ATAG was held on Monday 25th June 2012. The primary purpose is to discuss the possibilities for Community Action over the coming weeks and months.

### 20120625/1 Present

Ruth Griffin, Simon Robinson, Lynne Spencer, Kenneth Spencer

### 20120625/2 Apologies

Alan Lee (Organising Committee) is away, and sends apologies.

Paul Tyler (Community Action volunteer) As Paul is a keen volunteer to community action, and has explained that he has no free evenings until the first week in July.

Graham North (interested resident).

### 20120625/3 Report of the Public Meeting of May 18th 2012

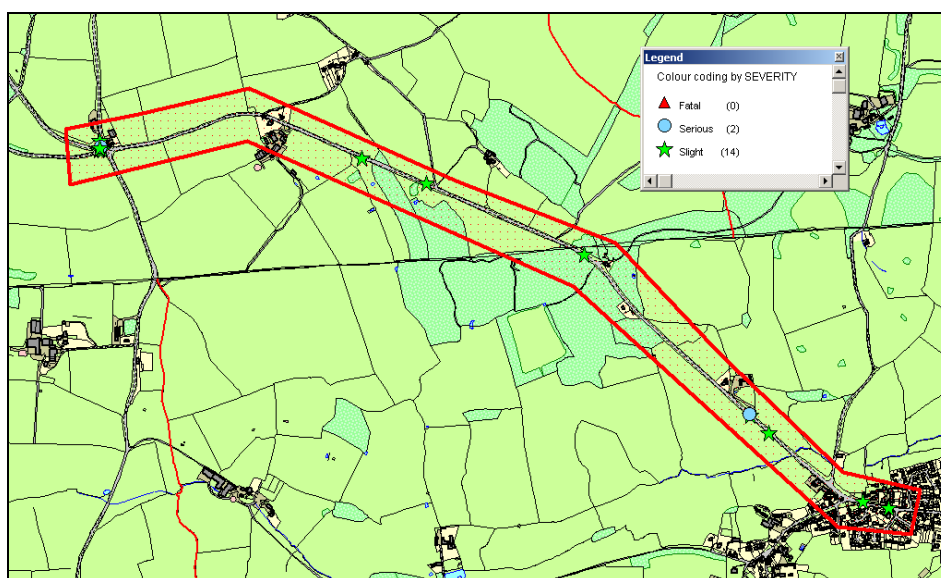
Kenneth reported that the ATAG report, which included the proceedings of the Public Meeting, had been circulated. Some comments (Mark Griffiths, Phil McMullen, Maureen Weston) have been received, all highly favourable, except for several comments from Mark, particularly on the subjects of the Village Gates, and Atworth Parish Council. All comments have been circulated.

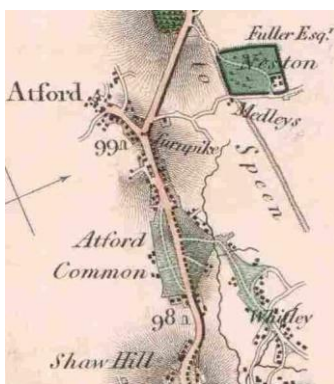
Phill McMullen has complained that Mark Stansby did not properly explain the rules on speed limits, as speeds around the old George Ward School seemed to have been amended shortly before the council moved in.

The entire document is now on the ATAG website.

### 20120625/4 Freedom of Information Enquiry

Ruth Griffin has uncovered the fact that we have not been given complete information at the Public Meeting, and at the NPTG and the CATG. A FoI submission has revealed that there have been at least 16 accidents between 2007 & 2011 along the A365 by Atworth, including two involving serious injury by the Farm Shop. The locations of the accidents are shown on the map.





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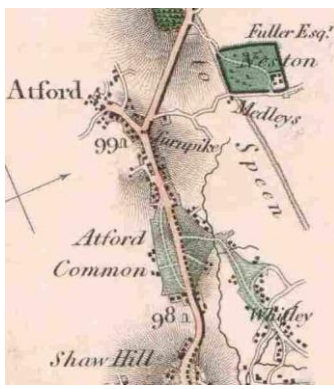
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Some further information about each incident is shown on the table below:

2007
V2 (car) travelling NW stopped due to stationary traffic ahead. V1 (car) travelling NW failed to stop and collided with rear of V2. A365. Vehicles 2; casualties 1; slight.
V1 (car) travelling W intending to turn right at junction. V2 (car) travelling E intending to go straight on at junction. V1 turns right into path of v2. V2 collides with v1. Junction A365 & B3109, Box Fiveways. Vehicles 2; casualties 1; slight.
V1 (car) travelling W intending to turn right went through red traffic light and turned into path of V2 (car) travelling E. V2 collided with nearside of V1. Junction A365 & B3109, Box Fiveways. Vehicles 2; casualties 1; slight.
V1 (car + trailer) travelling E, stalled, engine died so V1 stopped with no lights. V2 (car) travelling E didn't see V1 and collided with rear of V1's trailer. A365, 30m W of u/c road to Park Farm. Vehicles 2; casualties 1; slight.
2008
V2 (car) travelling W turned right at traffic light controlled junction not realising that V1 (car) travelling E had right of way. V1 collided with nearside V2. Junction A365 & B3109, Box Fiveways. Vehicles 2; casualties 1; slight.
2009
V1 (car) travelling NW lost control on LH bend, left carriageway to offside, collided with stone wall and overturned back onto carriageway. V2 (car) travelling SE then collided with overturned V1. A365 Bath Rd, 550m E of Wadswick Lane, Atworth. Vehicles 2; casualties 2; slight.
V1 (car) travelling SE lost control around left hand bend, and collided with a wall. A365, W of Clock Tower View, Atworth. Vehicles 1; casualties 1; slight.
V1 (car) travelling NW overtaking line of vehicles on their offside. V2 (car) travelling SW pulled out onto A365 turning left. V1 collided with front of V2. A365 Bath Rd entrance to Neston Park Farm Shop, Atworth. Vehicles 2; casualties 1; slight.
2010
V1 (car) travelling W turned right to leave main road across path of v2 (car) travelling E. V2 collided with nearside of V1. Junction A365 & B3109, Box Fiveways. Vehicles 2; casualties 2; slight.
V1 (car) travelling W crossed central white line into opposite c/way and collided head on with v2 (van) travelling E. Driver of V1 is suspected to have blacked out at wheel. A365, approx 25ms W of Chapel Rise, Atworth. Vehicles 2; casualties 2; slight.
V1 (car) travelling W turned right to leave A365 across path of v2 (car) travelling E on A365. V1 believed green traffic light gave him right of way not realising he must still give way to oncoming V2. Junction A365 & B3109, Box Fiveways. Vehicles 2; casualties 3; slight.
V1 (car) travelling N lost control on slippery road surface, struck nearside kerb and overturned leaving carriageway to nearside. B3109 Bradford Rd, 25m N of Box Fiveways A365. Vehicles 1; casualties 1; slight.
2011
V1 (car) travelling SW pulled out onto main road turning right and was struck on offside by V2 (car) travelling SE on A365. A365 Bath Rd, entrance to Neston Park Farm Shop, Atworth. Vehicles 2; casualties 2; serious.
V1 (m/c) travelling N traversing A365 at junction. Whilst leaving A365 on right hand bend, V1 lost control, left carriageway to nearside and displaced rider into field. Junction Box Fiveways B3109 Bradford Rd & A365 Bath Rd. Vehicles 1; casualties 1; serious.
V1 (van) travelling N when V2 (car) travelling SE failed to give way and pulled out from junction and collided with front n/side of V1. A365 Bath Rd junction with B3109 Bradford Rd. Vehicles 2; casualties 1; slight.
V3 (van) parked on nearside facing W. V2 (car) travelling W overtook V3 on V3's offside. At the same time, V1 (m/c) travelling W attempted overtake of V2. V2 moved to offside forcing V1 to clip offside verge displacing rider. A365 Bath Rd, approx 260m E of Wormwood Farm. Vehicles 3; casualties 1; slight.

It is proposed that we present the above information at the forthcoming meetings of the parish council, the NPTG, and the CATG.



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## **20120625/5 Community Actions**

Six possibilities for community actions were discussed in detail and agreed as being suitable. If you would like details of these, especially if you would like to assist by leading one group of actions, or participating, please email ATAG via the address at the head of this report.

## **20120625/6 Any other related matters**

### 20120625/6.1 Community Speedwatch

Simon raised the matter of Community Speedwatch, which it was agreed is a valuable resource for speed reduction, especially in the absence permanent, or even mobile, speed indicators. However, whilst the speed gun is available for a week at a time, there are too few volunteers to enable it to be used on each of the days that it is allocated to Atworth.

### 20120625/6.2 Additional Meeting

Owing to the absence of some key Community Action volunteers a second meeting will be arranged in the first week of July, with the intention of finalising a programme of agreed action events.

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On behalf of the ATAG Organising Committee

*The Atworth Traffic Action Group is a community association formed by residents of Atworth.  
It's aim is to protect Atworth from the effects of traffic through the village.*