

Minutes of Glastonbury in Bloom Committee held Monday 8 th July 2024 at 7pm		
Councillors Present	Cllr M Oakden (Chair), M White (Deputy), I Mutch, Ark Redwood	
	(Volunteer), Dave Balian (Volunteer)	
Apologies	Cllr J Cousins and Lokabandhu	
Absent	Cllr M Smyth	
In Attendance	S Marks (Committee Clerk), C Ogilvie – Davidson (Town Clerk),	
Public Participation		

18. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND NOTE REASONS GIVEN

Apologies were received from Cllr J Cousins and Cllr Lokabandhu

19. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr M White in on the Town Deal Board, Cllr M Oakden is Chair of the Glaston Centre.

20. TO APPROVE AND SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 13TH MAY 2024

The minutes of the meeting held on the 13th May 2024 was **SIGNED** by the Chair, as a true record of the meeting.

21. TO DISCUSS THE FINANCE REPORT AND GRANT APPLICATIONS

The committee went through the finance report and discussed the future expenditure for the rest of the financial year.

22. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE OF BRITAIN IN BLOOM

The Committee Clerk went through the judging route that had been decided for the day and confirmed that the Gauntlet Shopping Centre has pull out of the judging and the route will be changed to accommodate this. There were concerns about the amount of graffiti that was appearing around the Town and discussed what could be done. The Committee Clerk went through the judging day with the committee and confirmed the Tribunal was closed for the day so could be used by the Glastonbury in Bloom, she announced that Burns the Bread had kindly agreed to provide the food for both South West and Britain in bloom judging days. The Britain in Bloom judges have accepted the committees offer to meet for an evening meal the night before the judging.

ACTION: The Committee Clerk to send menus to the judges for them to chose which venue.

23. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON SOUTH - WEST IN BLOOM

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The Committee Clerk gave feed back from the South West in Bloom judge from her 'Mop up Day' . The feedback was discussed.

ACTION: The Committee Clerk to produce a work agenda for the Community Service Officer.

As previously mentioned, the Gauntlet Shopping Centre no longer taking part amendments will be made to the judging route. It was decided to replace The Gauntlet with Glastonbury Galleries.

Cllr M Oakden and the Committee Clerk will make the final preparations for the South West in Bloom judging day.

24. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE PLANTERS AT ST JOHNS SQUARE

This area is now completed. The Committee Clerk reported that the Headteacher at St John's School is delighted with the planters.

25. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON ST DUNSTAN'S COTTAGE FRONT FLOWER BED

This has now been completed.

26. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE HANGING BASKETS FOR 2024

The Committee Clerk reported that the hanging baskets have been delivered. Cllr I Mutch suggested that we could supply local residents with hanging baskets as extra revenue for the Glastonbury in Bloom committee. This will be explored further.

27. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE SCHOOL COMPETITION POSTERS

All prizes have been handed out to all the winners. The Committee Clerk reported that this competition has really help build relationships with the schools especially St Dunstan's. Copies of the winning posters have been distributed to businesses along the High Street and a full set of the winners given to the Glastonbury library.

28. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE MEMORIAL PLAQUE FOR FREEMAN ALAN GLOAK MBE AND TO DISCUSS AN UNVEILING CEREMONY

The Committee Clerk advised the committee that she had been in contact with A Gloaks niece, she had provided list of who she would like to attend the ceremony. It was agreed that the niece along with her daughter and son—in law be invited to the meet and greet on the 5th August where a toast and speech will be said in A Gloak's memory. Then at 2.30pm the actual of the unveiling of the plaque can take place.

29. TO NOTE THE DATE OF THE NEXT ORDINARY MEETING – 9th September 2024.

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