



GLASTONBURY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of Glastonbury in Bloom Committee held Monday 12 th May 2025 at 7pm	
Councillors Present	Cllr M Oakden (Chair), M White (Deputy), Lokabandhu (Mayor of Glastonbury)
Apologies	A Redwood (Volunteer).
Absent	Cllr J Cousins, Cllr I Mutch
In Attendance	S Marks (Committee Clerk)
Public Participation	

87. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND NOTE REASONS GIVEN

Apologies were received from A Redwood; he was unable to attend due to being on holiday.

88. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr M White in on the Town Deal Board.
Cllr Lokabandu is a trustee for St Edmunds Hall.

89. TO APPROVE AND SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 7th APRIL 2025

The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th April 2025 was **SIGNED** by the Chair, as a true record of the meeting.

The Committee Clerk update the committee about the Community Service Payback Scheme and confirmed back Saturday. She reported that the Town Clerk had recently signed a contract with the Community Payback Scheme.

The Committee Clerk update the committee with the Wells Road telephone box and showed pictures of its current state. The task of getting this ready has been give to the caretakers.

90. TO DISCUSS THE FINANCE REPORT

The committee went through the finance report and discussed the recent expenditure in the last month and confirmed the new budget for this financial year.

91. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON SPONSORSHIP 2025

The Committee Clerk reported that sponsorship for 2025 was down compared to last year. She had chased the letters to see if any more local businesses would come forward. Despite the fall in numbers, she reported that there was new sponsors for this year as well as some of existing ones.

92. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON HANGING BASKETS 2025

The Committee Clerk said that the baskets had been successful this year with some businesses ordering for the first time. She confirmed that the baskets will be going up the end of May 2025. Cllr

Lokabandhu commented that Chalice Well hanging baskets that were made of herbs as well as floral display which could be planted elsewhere after the basket season was over, and that this could be considered for 2026.

93. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON CREATING DOG WASTE SIGNS FOR CHILKWEIL STREET

The Committee Clerk gave an update that the Headteacher had informed her that the posters would be ready within the week. She had also spoken to a local sign company asking for advice on how to place the signs along Chilkwell Street.

94. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE SUMMER BEDDING

The Committee Clerk updated the committee about the summer bedding and that the telephone boxes by Manor House Road and outside the Town Hall had been planted. Bedding plants will start to be planted end of May early June.

95. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON GLASTONBURY IN BLOOM POSTER COMPETITION

The Committee Clerk confirmed that judging would take place on the 20th May 2025. Only 3 local schools (St Johnn’s, St Benedict’s and St Dunstan’s Schools.) had taken part.

96. TO CONSIDER HAVING “KEEP GLASTONBURY TIDY” COMPETITION

The Committee Clerk explained that the Town Clerk had seen children’s designs on litter bins to help keep the town tidy while away recently. The Committee Clerk asked if this was something that could be done to litter bins in the High Street. Cllr M Oakden commented that the bins let us down last year in both South West and Britain in Bloom judging so bins especially on the judging route had to be looked at. The Committee Clerk suggested she approach St Benedict’s School for poster ideas and if not completed in time that the bins be looked at and painted. This to be discussed further at the next meeting.

97. TO CONSIDER PURCHASING MORE LITTER PICKERS

The Committee Clerk asked the committee to consider purchasing more of the ranger litter picks that would proving very successful. With more litter picks talking place there was not enough and asked for 6 more.

Cllr M Oakden proposed that 6 litter picks were purchased. This was seconded by M White and **AGREED** unanimously.

98. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON SOUTH WEST IN BLOOM

The Committee Clerk update the committee that our official judging date was Thursday 17th July 2025. T Porter from South West in Bloom had agreed to come to Glastonbury to help us get ready for our judging day. It was also arranged for T Porter to see Knight Fish Restaurant and give them some guidance in the business category. Glastonbury would need 2 days with the number of entries that had been entered, and this second date was still to be confirmed.

99. TO NOTE THE DATE OF THE NEXT ORDINARY MEETING – 9TH JUNE 2025.

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