

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

75. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND NOTE REASONS GIVEN

Apologies were received from Cllr I Mutch, he was unable to attend due to being on holiday.

76. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

77. TO APPROVE AND SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 10th MARCH 2025

The minutes of the meeting held on the 10th March 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 that they are coming back to Glastonbury at start of May the committee provided a list of areas which they would like the Community Service Pay Back to attend to first.

78. TO DISCUSS THE FINANCE REPORT

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

The Committee Clerk updated the committee that she was to send out the sponsorship request letters out that week and was hopeful for a good response.

Cllr Lokabandhu approached the committee and explained that he had made planters for St Edmunds Hall and asked if the committee would agree to pay the expenses of the hardware to make these planters, the total cost was £68.50.

Cllr M Oakden proposed the Glastonbury in Bloom Committee cover the total of £68.50 for the hardware used to build St Edmunds Hall planters. This was seconded by M White and **AGREED** with one abstention.

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79. TO DISCUSS THE B&Q ROUNDABOUT PLANTING AREA

The committee discussed the B&Q roundabout and how it could be made more welcoming. Various options were discussed; it was agreed that this would be something to look at in 2026 due to the cost implications involved.

80. TO RECEIVE INFORMATION ON THE GLASTONBURY IN BLOOM COMPETITION

The committee discussed the competition A Redwood confirmed judging would take place W/c 14th July 2025. It was agreed that a maximum of 30 entries.

ACTION: The Committee Clerk to send a copy of the application form to the committee for comments.

81. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON CREATING DOG WASTE SIGNS FOR CHILKWELL STREET

The Committee Clerk updated the committee that she has contacted the Headteacher at St Johns Infant School and they are more than happy to get a few pupils to design new signs for the committee to chose and use. The Committee Clerk will now contact a sign provider to investigate how much it would cost to make the signs and will report back to the committee.

82. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE SUMMER BEDDING

The Committee Clerk updated the committee about the summer bedding and had been to Sweet Acre Nursery to pick out the bedding plants for the telephone boxes.

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

The Committee Clerk confirmed that the information sheet about the competition had been sent to all the local schools in Glastonbury. The judges had been arranged, a representative from the Becketts, Dicketts and Cllr M Oakden, this will take place at the Becketts on a date to be agreed.

84. TO DISCUSS THE WELLS ROAD TELEPHONE BOX OPPOSITE LINTELLS GARAGE

The Committee Clerk explained that Lintells had contacted her about the telephone box opposite the garage and were offering to sponsor the box to make it look like the one at the Town Hall. Cllr M Oakden asked the Committee Clerk to speak to Lintells and asked if they are happy to water and maintain the planters due to being out of town.

Cllr M White proposed that work to start on the telephone box, as soon as possible no bug hotel just planters. This was seconded by M Oakden and **AGREED** unanimously.

Roman Way telephone box was considered, and it was agreed this will be a future project.

85. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON SOUTH WEST IN BLOOM

The Committee Clerk update the committee that Cllr M Oakden, The Mayor, the Town Clerk and herself recently attended the Spring seminar at the RHS Rosemoor. The day was very informative, and a lot of information was gained from attending. The Committee Clerk said she had managed to find out when the presentation day would be and that they would need to stay over as the Mayor would be invited to an evening event. Cllr M Oakden requested the Committee Clerk book accommodation for 4 people to attend.

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ACTION: The Committee Clerk to arrange accommodation for the South West in Bloom Presentation Day.

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