



GLASTONBURY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of A361 Committee held on 23 November 2023 at 7 pm	
Councillors Present	J. Cousins, L. MacDougall, S. Roney-Dougal, M. Smyth and M. White.
Apologies	Cllr Donfrancesco
Absent	Cllr Cottle
In Attendance	Town Clerk
Public Participation	None

16. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND NOTE THE REASONS GIVEN

Apologies were received from Cllr Donfrancesco owing to illness These apologies were duly **NOTED**.

17. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Cllr MacDougall declared that she lives on the route.

18. TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING AS A CORRECT RECORD

The minutes were considered a true record and were **SIGNED** by the Chair.

19. TO REVIEW ACTIONS RAISED FROM THE LAST MEETING

Members gave updates against their assigned actions and uncompleted actions would be re-assigned at the end of the meeting. It was reported that the highways Authority had explicitly ruled out the siting of a permanent speed camera at Coursing Batch.

20. TO CONSIDER FUTURE STEPS TO IMPROVE THE A361 AND REDUCE ITS IMPACT ON GLASTONBURY

It was suggested that the committee need to:

- Encourage the reporting of pedestrian and cyclist near-misses with traffic
- Research the process of imposing a 7.5t weight limit
- Research improving the layout of the A361 at Coursing Batch and Chilkwell Street

Cllr Smyth proposed that it be recommended to Finance and General Purposes that £20,000 is added to the budget for 2024-25 for the committee to engage a traffic engineer consultant to produce an improvement scheme for the A361. This was seconded by Cllr White and **RESOLVED** unanimously.

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21. TO REVIEW AND ASSIGN ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE MEETING

- The committee are to think of reasons against de-designation of the route as a freight route and have answers ready for those arguments
- Cllr Cousins would continue to review the process to implement a 7.5t weight limit
- Cllr Smyth would continue to search for the surveyor's report on the route from the 1960s
- The Town Clerk would chase the FOI request of Somerset Council
- Cllr Smyth would get parking statistics from Drapers for visitors to the Tor / Chalice Well
- Cllrs MacDougall and Cousins would seek to contact a local resident regards their previous work on the "lighten the load" campaign
- Cllr Roney-Dougal would ask Chalice Well for their annual visitor numbers
- The Town Clerk would chase a response to the request for a change to the signage directing traffic to Glastonbury from Rush Hill, Farrington Gurney.

22. TO SET THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

A meeting was agreed for Thursday 10 January 2024.

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