

The Annual Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday, 13th May 2004 at 7.00. p.m.

PRESENT: The Mayor (A Gloak)
Councillors: D. Allen, Mrs J. Billing, T. Billing, J. R. Brunson, J. E. Coles, N. Cottle, A. Gloak, E. W. Higgins, E. N. James, J. S. Keery, K. Mitchell, Dr H Sharp, I C Tucker and Mrs J E White

IN ATTENDANCE: Town Clerk

APOLOGIES: Councillor A Willis

The meeting opened with a moment's silence.

1. THE MAYOR

The Mayor, Councillor A Gloak gave a speech a copy of which is attached to the official minutes. He also presented 'Mayors Awards' to residents of the Town, nominated by the community during his year as Mayor. The awards went to Maxine Marsh, Vicar of St John's Church, Stan Biddell, ex-caretaker of St Benedicts School and Stephen Brown, Cleanaway employee.

2. ELECTION OF MAYOR

It was proposed by Councillor Gloak, seconded by Councillor J Keery and unanimously

RESOLVED

That Councillor Cottle be elected Mayor for the ensuing year.

Councillor Cottle read and signed the declaration of acceptance of office and gave a short speech a copy of which is attached to the official minutes.

3. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

It was proposed by The Mayor, seconded by Councillor Tucker and unanimously

RESOLVED

That Councillor Billing be elected Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year.

4. APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANTS AT MACE

The Mayor invited Messrs. M. King and V. Jones to act as his Sergeants at Mace to which they accepted.

The Town Clerk reported that the Council had received an invitation from the Guild of Mace-Bearers for the Glastonbury Council Mace-Bearers to become members.

RESOLVED that the Council pays for the annual membership of the Mace-Bearers to the Guild of Mace-Bearers at a cost of £30 per Bearer for the first year and £20 per Bearer for subsequent years.

5. APPOINTMENT OF CHAPLAIN TO THE MAYOR

The Mayor advised that he had appointed The Reverend Maxine Marsh to act as his chaplain for the Civic year.

6. APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

AGREED that the following appointments be made for the ensuing year.

Town Hall and Car Park	Councillors: Andrews, J Billing, T Billing, J Brunson MBE, Cottle, Gloak, James, Higgins, Tucker and White
Finance and General Purposes	Councillors: Allen, Andrews, J Billing, T Billing, J Brunson MBE, Cottle, Gloak, James, Keery, Mitchell, Sharp, Tucker, White and Willis
Planning	Councillors: Allen, Andrews, T Billing, J Billing, Cottle, Mitchell, Tucker and White
Security	Councillors: Andrews, J Billing, T Billing, Brunson, Coles, James, Keery, Sharp, White and Willis & the President of the Chamber of Commerce.
Allotments	Councillors: Andrews, Cottle, Gloak and Higgins
Morland's	Councillors: Tucker, Brunson MBE, Coles, Higgins, Nancy Hollinrake, Stephanie Morland, Lesley Wright (Chamber of Commerce)

As the Council website is now up and running it was

RESOLVED to disband the Website Committee. The Town Clerk confirmed that she edits the website.

Councillor Keery proposed the formation of a Tercentenary Committee, seconded by Councillor Cottle.

RESOLVED that a Tercentenary Committee should be formed, involving the general public as well as Councillors.

7. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

AGREED that the following appointments be made for the ensuing year.

Glastonbury Tribunal	(1)	Councillor White.
Burial Joint Committee	(8)	Councillors: Andrews, Brunsdon, T Billing, Coles, Higgins, James, Mitchell and Tucker.
Chamber of Commerce	(3)	The Mayor and Councillors: Keery and James
Citizens Advice Bureau	(2)	Councillors Higgins and James.
Somerset Association of Local Councils	(2)	Councillors: T Billing and Cottle.
Glastonbury Charities	(4)	The Mayor and Councillors: Brunsdon, Higgins and Mitchell
St. Edmund's Community Hall Management Committee	(4)	Councillors: Cottle, Gloak, Tucker and White.
St. Benedict's School Governors	(1)	To be appointed.
St. John's School	(1)	To be appointed.
Levels & Moors Partnership	(1)	Councillor D Allen
St. Dunstan's Leisure Centre Management Committee	(2)	Councillors: T Billing and Cottle
Talking Newspaper for the Blind	(1)	Councillor T Billing
Glastonbury Chilkwell Guy Fawkes Carnival – Board of Management	(1)	Councillor Higgins.
Glastonbury in Bloom Cttee	(2)	Councillors: Cottle and Gloak.
Robert Barton Trust Cttee.	(1)	The Mayor.
Tor Traffic Management	(2)	Councillors: Brunsdon and Cottle.
Farmers Market Committee	(1)	Councillor Higgins.
SRB Board	(1)	Councillor Higgins.
Glastonbury Community Development Trust	(2)	Councillor J D Billing and The Mayor.

8. MINUTES

- i) The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 6th April 2004 which had been circulated to each member, were taken as read and signed by the Mayor as a correct record.
- ii) The minutes of the Town Meeting held on 13th April 2004, had been circulated to each member for information.

9. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 22nd April 2004, copies of which had been circulated to each member, were received and noted.

10. SIGNATORIES TO THE BANK ACCOUNT

RESOLVED that Councillors: Andrews, Brunsdon, Higgins and Mrs J Czornij, should continue as signatories to the bank account and that Councillor Cottle be added to the authorised list of signatories with the removal of Councillor A Gloak from the list.

11. COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) The Town Clerk reported/advised:
 - i) Letter from BT regarding plans to remove telephone kiosk situated at the corner of Manor House Road and Wells Road.
AGREED that the Town Clerk should write objecting to the removal of this kiosk.
 - ii) Letter from St John's Church thanking the Council for the donation towards the Art, Music and Flower festival.
 - iii) Mayor's Sunday – 20th June 2004.
 - iv) Area Boards to be held every 2 months, next meeting 30th June, 6.30pm at Glastonbury Town Hall.
 - v) Mendip District Council Parish Information Bulletin, with insert regarding the code of conduct, was circulated to Councillors.
- b) Councillor White and Tucker thanked the Council for the Freedom Ceremony held on 1st May 2004 at the Town Hall.
- c) Councillor Sharp reported on the success of this year's road run. **AGREED** to write a letter of thanks to Richard Burt.
- d) Councillors were provided with a copy of letter, originally sent to Councillor Brunsdon, regarding graffiti and play areas on the Paradise Estate.
- e) Councillor Tucker reported that the new Abbey Park play equipment would be in situ by tomorrow and praised the Supporters of Abbey Park (SOAP) for their efforts.

- f) Councillor T Billing reported that the film shown at the Town Hall on 28th April 2004 was well supported. The next film to be shown will be ‘the Passion of the Christ’ on 9th June 2004 at 7.30pm.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Mendip District Council – Road Closure Order – Glastonbury Mayoral Parade – Sunday 20th June 2004 – No objections.
- b) Safeway Store – Transfer of Justices Licence – Mark Wye and Jenny Searle – No objections.
- c) George and Pilgrims Hotel – Transfer of Justices Licence – No objections.
- d) Somerfield – Transfer of Justices Licence – Simon John Cichowicz, Daniel James Lee and Gerald Anderson – No objections.

13. DRAFT CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

The draft calendar of meetings for 2004/2005, copies of which had been circulated to each member, was **AGREED** with the amendment that the Town Hall and Car Park Committee should meet bi-monthly.

14. SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

RESOLVED that the schedule of payments now submitted, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes, be approved and signed by two members as the Town Clerk’s authority to make the payments.

Mayor _____
June 8th 2004