

## Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2006 at 7pm

**PRESENT:** Councillors: D Allen, A Andrews, J Barron, T Billing, J Brunsdon MBE, J Coles, N Cottle, A Gloak, E Higgins, E James, J Keery, K Mitchell, H Sharp, Mrs J White

**IN ATTENDANCE:** The Town Clerk  
Inspector Paul Richards

**APOLOGIES:** Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors J Billing and I Tucker

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The Mayor opened the meeting with a prayer.

### 17. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interests.

### 18. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor announced that he had attended the following events since the last Council meeting:

- Opening of Churchill Homes, Magdalene Street, Glastonbury
- Election of New Mayor of Bath at Bath Abbey
- Centenary of Somerset Association of Beekeepers at the Rural Life Museum
- Mendip Food Festival
- Children's World Party at the Abbey Park
- Glastonbury Male Voice Choir Concert at the Town Hall
- Investiture of Street Chairman at Strode Theatre
- Start of Heart Foundation Cycle Ride at Abbeymoor Stadium

The Mayor also announced that a letter from Michael Eavis had been circulated to all Councillors regarding an application for a community trademark in the name of Glastonbury. Since receipt of that letter, Michael Eavis's team has rejected putting the agreement that had been negotiated into legally binding language as of 10.30pm on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2006, the night before formal objections deadline. The Mayor has received advice that in law you cannot trademark the name of a place.

### 19. COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

a) The Mayor announced that he had been informed that a new initiative 'Search Glastonbury – a search engine for Glastonbury' would be launched at the Town Hall on the evening 28<sup>th</sup> June 2006. All Councillors would receive an invite.

- b) The Mayor announced that the Glastonbury Community Development Trust were running a project called 'Glastonbury goes Digital' to provide local training for the community in using digital media.
- c) The Town Clerk announced that The Pilgrimage Association had again invited the Council to attend the 12 midday Eucharist at the Anglican Pilgrimage on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2006 and to lunch with the Bishops afterwards.
- d) Councillor Coles informed the Council that Mr and Mrs Katz from Glastonbury, Connecticut would be visiting the Town at the beginning of August. It was **AGREED** that they should be invited to the Council meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2006 and a suitable gift given, up to the sum of £100 from the civic hospitality budget, selected by Councillor White and the Town Clerk.

## **20. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLORS TO STANDING COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES**

The following Councillors were appointed to the Committees and outside bodies.

### Committees:

Councillor J Barron - Planning, Property and Assets and Town Hall

### Outside bodies:

Councillor J Barron – St Dunstan's Leisure Centre Management Committee

Councillor E Higgins – Glastonbury and Street Talking Newspapers

## **21. PRESENTATION BY INSPECTOR PAUL RICHARDS – RESTRUCTURE OF LOCAL POLICE FORCE**

Inspector Paul Richards gave a presentation on the restructure of the local Police Force. This will include more visible patrols, more access to Beat Managers, robust tackling of anti-social behaviour and alcohol related violent crime. Police on duty will have continuous supervision and a new police office will be shortly opening at the Fire Station in Glastonbury.

## **22. WAKE UP TO WASTE PRESENTATION BY RUFUS FORD OF SOMERSET WASTE PARTNERSHIP – SOMERSET WASTE ACTION PROGRAMME**

Mr Ford explained that the Somerset Waste Action Programme is a partnership between the Somerset Waste Partnership and Carymoor Environmental Trust, working with schools and community groups to promote waste awareness throughout the County. He updated the Council on progress with recycling in the Mendip area and the work that is carried out at the Carymoor Environmental Centre where there is an open evening on the first working Monday of each month.

## **23. REPORT OF AREA REGENERATION OFFICER**

Ros Wilkins reported on:

- Tor Bus
- Youth Café
- Community Watch Membership packs for second year

- Frost Fair – 3 day event including Friday night market, carols round the tree and other events
- Tuesday Market – Due to road safety the market manager will now be closing the road to all traffic but buses, taxis and those delivering to businesses.
- Glastonbury and Street Area Board – Renamed as West Mendip Community Partnership

She informed the Council that in the absence of an Area Regeneration Officer for Street she will be assisting them with two projects, which will take her away from Glastonbury one and a half days per week until completion.

## **24. MINUTES**

- a) The minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2006, which had been circulated to each member, were taken as read and signed by the Mayor as a correct record with the alteration of minute 10 on page 3 to read 'Councillor Andrews requested to be removed from all Committees except the Burial Board, Security and Property and Assets'. The Town Clerk was also asked to alter minute 64 on page 59 of the April 2006 minutes to read 'speed detection devices' as opposed to 'speed guns'.
- b) The minutes of the Burial Board meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2006, were received and noted.
- c) The minutes of the Special Council meeting regarding the Local Development Framework held on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2006, were received and noted.
- d) The minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2006, were received and noted.

## **25. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**

Councillor Brunsdon reported on the following:

- Section 106 Agreement for 71 houses at Old Wells Road - £1037 per dwelling education contribution plus contribution for drainage and open space provision
- Car Parking charges – Council arrived at an increase to meet mid term financial needs

Councillor James reported that the licence application for the Great Green Gathering would to be considered by the District Licensing Board on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2006.

Questions were taken regarding:

- Waste bins in Wellhouse Lane
- Toilet block in Abbey Park

## **26. REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

The County Councillor's report is attached to the official minutes covering:

- Police agreement to change of priority in Benedict Street
- Camera Safety Partnership – Information sheet passed to Councillor Cottle
- Request for vehicle counts along Wells Road

- Double yellow lines in Manor House Road
- Graffiti
- Mobile speed detector for Chilkwell Street
- 'Visit Somerset' publication

## **27. REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES**

Councillor Brunsdon had attended the PCSO Steering Committee on behalf of the Council. The new objectives are regular patrols and enforcement of the parking restrictions at the Tor, anti-social behaviour in the High Street and other 'hot spots', illegal on-street parking particularly at the top of the High Street and area where banks are located.

## **28. CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence was received and noted. Copies of a and b had been circulated with the agenda.

- a) Mendip District Council – Parish Information Bulletin
- b) Letter to Councillors from Chief Superintendent Andy Marsh
- c) Somerset County Council – Draft Rights of Way Improvement Plan
- d) OPDM – Local Authority Byelaws in England – A Discussion paper
- e) Somerset Highways – Temporary Road Closure – Old Wells Road from 5<sup>th</sup> June for 5 days

## **29. ITEMS FOR GLASTONBURY AND STREET AREA BOARD**

The next meeting will be held at Glastonbury Town Hall on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2006. Councillor Coles has a slot on the agenda regarding the Local Development Framework and the implications for Glastonbury.

## **30. SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS**

**RESOLVED** that the schedule of payments, a copy of which has been circulated to all Councillors and which is attached to the official minutes be approved and signed by two members as the Town Clerk's authority to make the payments.

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**Mayor, 4<sup>th</sup> July 2006**