

**Meeting of the Council held on 13th April 2010 at Glastonbury Town Hall
at 7pm**

PRESENT: Councillors: A Andrews, J Barron, T Billing, J Brunsdon
MBE, J Coles, S Cox, M Free, E James (Mayor), W
Knight, H Sharp, I Tucker, J White

IN ATTENDANCE: The Town Clerk

APOLOGIES: Apologies were accepted from Councillors L Browne, J
Keery, P Preston and L Hull

Public Participation

Mrs Morgan thanked the Town Council and Alan Gloak for their efforts regarding parking problems at Wells Road.

Kelly Oakley put forward a proposal to form a Tor Playing Fields Association. The Town Council undertook to consider the proposal at the June meeting.

188. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

190. COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER REPORT

Police volunteer, Walter Antoinello, thanked the Councillors for their support regarding the Westminster project when shops in an area with problems with street drinkers undertake to remove strong lagers and beers from their shelves. At present all the shops were participating apart from Morrisons. The Mayor undertook to talk to a representative from Morrisons.

Inspector Mark Nicholson reported that PCSO Spencer Bishop is the highest performing PCSO in the area.

191. MINUTES

- a) The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 9th March 2010, which had been circulated to each member, were taken as read and signed by the Mayor as a correct record.

Councillor Coles left the room.

- b) The minutes of the Planning Committee held on 30th March 2010 were received and adopted.

192. DRAFT CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

Approved subject to alteration to date of the March 2011 Planning Meeting to 22nd March.

193. REQUEST TO USE THE NAME 'GLASTONBURY' IN THE TITLE OF A NEW DOCUMENTARY FILM

A letter had been received from Liz Leyshon requesting permission to use the name 'Glastonbury' in the title of a new documentary film.

RESOLVED to permit the use of the name, under powers delegated to The Town Council by Glastonbury Festivals Ltd.

194. COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

The County Councillor reported that the County Council had voted against inviting the Olympic Torch to come to Somerset.

It was **RESOLVED** that this Town Council writes to the County Council stating its disappointment on hearing that the County Council voted against the principle of the Olympic Torch coming to Somerset.

Councillor Coles returned to the room.

195. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor Barron reported that provision of new play equipment at St Brides close playground had been delayed and that there would be an open day on Thursday at 2pm at the newly refurbished Beckery Cottages.

Councillor Brunsdon reported that the tyre on the play equipment at Windmill Hill had been removed for health and safety reasons and would be replaced as soon as possible along with a new mat.

196. NORTHLOAD STREET TOILETS FOR CONVERSION TO POLICE STATION BY GLASTONBURY TOWN COUNCIL

District Councillors reported that Mendip District Council are prepared to waive the first 5 years rent of £1500 per annum on the Northload Street West toilet block. The Town Clerk had not yet received an offer in writing and therefore a decision could not be made as to whether to accept the conditions.

197. EXTRA CUTS TO AMENITY GRASS IN PUBLIC OPEN SPACES

Quadron Services Limited had written to the Town Council asking whether the Town Council wished to discuss the provision of extra cuts to amenity grass, following the news from Mendip District Council that they would be reducing the number of cuts per year.

It was **AGREED** to wait for a season under the new regime until making a decision.

198. SOMERSET AGGREGATES PAPER

The consultation papers had been circulated to each member.

Councillors will respond as individuals if they wish to comment.
The letter confirmed that the peat paper had already been circulated and commented on by this Council.

199. REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

Councillor Gloak reported that the Glastonbury in Bloom watering vehicle could be adapted to be used for graffiti removal.

Councillor Brunson had spoken to the Conservation Officer at the District Council who confirmed that the new graffiti mural which had appeared on the side of the Cancer Research shop in the High Street, detracted from the building but that a mural in keeping with the area could be acceptable.

It was **AGREED** that the wall should be cleaned of graffiti until such time as a suitable mural is decided upon.

200. COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councillor Coles reported that the Somerset stage of the Tour of Britain would be finishing in Glastonbury on September 15th 2010.

201. CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence received since the last meeting was noted.

- a) Somerset County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, Temporary Road Closure, Wells Road and Lambrook Street – Road to be closed for 2 evenings starting from 13th May 2010 to enable resurfacing and associated works to be carried out
- b) Somerset County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, Temporary Road Closure – The Roman Way – Road to be closed for 5 days starting from 4th May 2010 to enable a sewer connection to be carried out in this road
- c) Letter from Somerset Levels and Moors with details of Local Action Funding – Leaflet available from Town Clerk
- d) Somerset County Council – Tables and chairs on the highway – Letter to all premises in Glastonbury currently using the highway for pavement cafes regarding review of conditions
- e) Mendip District Council Parish Information Bulletin – April 2010

202. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Councillor Billing reminded the Clerk that the Council must appoint a Staffing Committee to deal with staffing issues.

203. SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

It was **RESOLVED** that the schedule of payments, now tabled, 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, 11th May 2010