

## Annual meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2014 at 7pm

**PRESENT:** Councillors: J Barron, A Black, J Brunsdon MBE, J Coles, N Cottle, Cousins, M Free, I Forster, S Henderson, W Knight, D Michell, S Shepherd, S Thurgood, I Tucker

**APOLOGIES:** Councillor J Keery  
Councillor H Sharp  
County Councillor T Napper

**IN ATTENDANCE:** The Town Clerk  
PC M Pople  
Gary Knight – Macebearer  
Terry Dowden – Macebearer  
David Greenway – Town Crier

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### Public participation

- a) Angela Friend complained about a large amount of rubbish in a corner of the Morland's site.
- b) Malcolm Allen asked for the Town Council to consider Grass Roots proposal for housing on the derelict garage site on Street Road.

**The meeting was opened with the lighting of the Unity candle and a moment for quiet reflection.**

### 1. ELECTION OF MAYOR

It was proposed by Councillor S Thurgood, seconded by Councillor J Brunsdon MBE and unanimously

**RESOLVED**

that Councillor J Barron be elected Mayor for the ensuing year.

Councillor J Barron read and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and Code of Conduct.

### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

### 3. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

It was proposed by Councillor J Barron, seconded by Councillor S Shepherd and unanimously

**RESOLVED**

that Councillor D Michell be elected Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year.

### 4. APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANTS-AT MACE

The Mayor appointed Gary Knight and Terry Dowden as his Sergeants-at-Mace for the ensuing year.

## 5. APPOINTMENT OF CHAPLAIN TO THE MAYOR

The Mayor announced that Rev David McGeoch had agreed to act as his Chaplain for the ensuing year.

The Rev David McGeoch was present and led a prayer for the new Mayor.

## 6. STANDING COMMITTEES

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

Town Hall	Councillors: A Black, J Brunsdon MBE, J Coles, N Cottle, J Cousins, I Forster, S Henderson, W Knight, D Michell, S Shepherd, S Thurgood, I Tucker
Finance and General Purposes	Councillors: J Brunsdon MBE, J Coles, N Cottle, J Cousins, M Free, S Henderson, J Keery, D Michell, H Sharp, S Shepherd, S Thurgood, I Tucker
Promoting Glastonbury Forum	Councillors: A Black, J Brunsdon MBE, J Coles, N Cottle, J Cousins, W Knight, J Keery, D Michell, S Thurgood
Property and Assets	Councillors: J Brunsdon MBE, J Coles, N Cottle, J Cousins, M Free, S Henderson, J Keery, W Knight, D Michell, H Sharp, S Shepherd, S Thurgood, I Tucker
Planning	Councillors: J Barron, A Black, J Brunsdon MBE (Advisory), S Henderson, D Michell, S Shepherd, I Tucker
Staffing	Councillors: Brunsdon, Cousins, Keery, Michell, Thurgood, Tucker
Youth Provision	Councillors: J Barron, J Coles, N Cottle, S Henderson, J Keery, D Michell, H Sharp, S Thurgood
Glastonbury in Bloom	Councillors: A Black, N Cottle, W Knight, D Michell, S Shepherd, Thurgood, Tucker

## 7. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

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

Austin Memorial Homes	(4)	Councillors: J Brunsdon MBE, J Coles, J Keery, S Thurgood
Glastonbury Tribunal	(1)	Councillors: J Cousins
Glastonbury and Sharpham Burial Joint Committee	(8)	Councillors: J Brunsdon MBE, J Coles, N Cottle, J Cousins, D Michell, S Thurgood, I Tucker and one representative from Sharpham

Citizens' Advice Bureau	(3)	Councillors: N Cottle, J Coles, D Michell
Somerset Associations of Local Councils	(2)	Councillors: N Cottle and I Forster
Glastonbury Charities	(4)	The Mayor and Councillors: Jon Cousins, D Michell, S Shepherd
St Edmund's Community Hall Management Committee	(5)	The Mayor and Councillors: A Black, N Cottle, J Cousins, I Tucker
Glastonbury Community Development Trust	(2)	Councillors: J Coles and N Cottle
Talking Newspapers for the Blind	(1)	Councillor D Michell
Community Speed Watch	(2)	Councillor S Thurgood and vacant position
Mendip Health and Wellbeing Panel	(1)	Councillor S Thurgood
PACT	(3)	The Mayor and Councillors: W Knight, S S Henderson, D Michell, S Thurgood

## 8. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

The draft calendar of meetings for Town Council, Planning Meeting, Town Hall and Finance and General Purposes Committee for 2014/2015, copies of which had been circulated to each member, was **APPROVED**.

## 9. SIGNATORIES TO BANK ACCOUNT

**RESOLVED** that Councillors: Brunsdon, Coles and Knight remain as signatories to the HSBC bank accounts along with the Town Clerk and that Councillors Brunsdon and Sharp remain as signatories to the Santander deposit account.

## 10. 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.

## 11. STANDING ORDERS

It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the amended Standing Orders which stood adjourned from the last meeting.

## 12. MINUTES

- a) The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2014, which had been circulated to each member, were taken as read and signed by the Mayor as a correct record.
- b) The minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2014, were received and approved.
- c) The minutes of the meeting of the Glastonbury in Bloom Committee held on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2014, were received and approved.

## 13. NOTICE OF MOTION

Proposer: Councillor J Brunsdon MBE  
Seconder: Councillor I Tucker

Councillors Brunsdon and Tucker had been present at a meeting with Somerset County Council to discuss the landslip at Ashwell Lane. They were extremely concerned about the proposal to close the road following the landslip, instead of reinstating the Highway

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that Glastonbury Town Council opposes the proposed vehicular closure of the eastern access to Ashwell Lane as unacceptable on highway safety and inconvenience grounds and requires Somerset County Council to commence repairs so that vehicular access can resume without further delay.

Councillor Gloak agreed that he would take the matter to the County Council.

## 14. COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) Councillor Coles was disappointed to announce the closure of another newsagent shop in the Town.
- b) The Mayor announced that Burtle Silver Band would be performing at Marchant's Buildings on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2014 from 2 to 4.30pm in aid of his charity, Crohn's in Childhood Research Association.

## 15. CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was noted:

- a) Cheddar Parish Council – Response to letter re proposed Hinkley Point development
- b) Upton Parish Council – Response to letter re proposed Hinkley Point development
- c) Email - Somerset Association of Local Councils - Heritage Funding Fair
- d) PCC's Pride Awards – Nomination form

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**Mayor, 10<sup>th</sup> June 2014**