



**Glastonbury Town Deal Board
Minutes of the Board Extraordinary Meeting
Held on 15 August 2025 from 14.00 – 16.00 hours on Teams**

In Attendance:

Michael White	Acting Chair and Mayor of Glastonbury
Jacqueline Cross	Community Representative with NHS background
Paul Knight	Business Representative
Cllr Liz Leyshon	Somerset Council, Deputy Leader and Lead Member for Resources and Performance
Cllr Lokabandhu	Glastonbury Town Council
Paul Manning	Glastonbury Chamber of Commerce
Ian Tucker	Business Representative
Richard Winterbottom	Business Representative

Apologies:

Emily Bunn	Community Representative
Jon Cousins	Community Representative
Sarah Dyke	MP for Somerton and Glastonbury
Cllr Mike Rigby	Somerset Council, Lead Member for Economic Development, Planning and Transportation
Louise Rowley	Department for Work and Pensions

In Attendance:

Harriet Baker-Bates	Representing Sarah Dyke MP
Lara Bell	Somerset Council, Head of Regeneration and Major Projects
Ian Gent	IG Marketing and Business
Jackie Gill	Somerset Council, Business Support
Paul Hickson	Somerset Council, Service Director for Economic Development, Skills & Climate
Conor Ogilvie-Davidson	Glastonbury Town Council
Jane Sharp	Somerset Council, Regeneration Lead Specialist (East)
Rob Taylor	Fusion Lifestyle, Regional Manager

Agenda Item	Discussion	Actions
<p>1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies</p>	<p>Michael welcomed everyone to the meeting and reminded them that the meeting was being recorded.</p> <p>Michael welcomed Harriet Baker–Bates representing Sarah Dyke MP</p> <p>Rob Taylor was in attendance as an Observer.</p> <p>Apologies received from Emily Bunn, Jon Cousins, Cllr Mike Rigby and Louise Rowley.</p>	
<p>2. Declaration of Interests and Gift Register</p>	<p>Michael asked if there were any changes to the Declaration of Interests and Gift Register.</p> <p>No changes were declared.</p>	
<p>3. Acting Chair’s Opening Remarks</p>	<p>Michael advised the Board of the time extension for Town Deals announced by Government. This would benefit the Glastonbury Clean Energy and Baily’s Buildings projects in particular. Michael also said he understood that the Farm Project wanted to deliver their project by the end of March 2026.</p> <p>Jane confirmed the time extension news had just been received from MHCLG. She added it would also benefit the Enabling Project.</p>	
<p>4. Formally Agree minutes from the last meeting held on 11th July 2025 and Matters Arising</p>	<p>The Board formally agreed the minutes of the last GTD Board meeting held on Friday 11 July 2025, these had been circulated and agreed by email.</p> <p>This was subject to one amendment being made. This was from Cllr Liz Leyshon who pointed out the technical study referred to as 2024-25 should actually be 2014-15.</p>	<p>Jackie to make the one amendment to the minutes and recirculate</p>
<p>Health Checks Task & Finish Group (Paper 1 & Paper 2)</p> <p>Meanwhile Sites (Paper 3)</p> <p>CONFIDENTIAL</p>	<p>Ian Gent updated the Board on the work on Task & Finish Group activities.</p> <p>Papers 1&2 were noted and the proposed recommendations agreed.</p> <p><i>Ian Gent left the meeting.</i></p> <p>Liz had shared Paper 3 with the Board which considered meanwhile sites and a general</p>	<p>Recommendations to be actioned through TFG</p>

	<p>discussion on its content followed.</p> <p>Liz asked Harriet to pass on our thanks Sarah Dyke for her contribution in raising the issue of anti-social behavior in the House of Commons.</p>	Harriet to pass on our thanks to Sarah Dyke
5. Any Other Business	<p>Jacq informed the Board of the National Neighbourhood Health implementation Programme. She said an Expression of Interest had been submitted to become a pilot area. The aim was to shift to neighbourhood health services. There would need to be a new strategy involving multiple partners e.g. the Police, local councils and health & social care. Government will be announcing the pilot areas.</p> <p>Conor thanked Jacq for her work on this and Liz also thanked her for her input.</p> <p>Glastonbury Town Council updated the Board on the St Dunstan's House Community Health & Wellbeing Centre project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Michael confirmed that Ellie Carey-Say had been appointed as Operations Lead for St Dunstan's House. She starts next week and the first year of this role is funded by the Somerset Association of Local Councils. - Conor added that everyone should have received an invitation to the St Dunstan's House opening on 10 October 2025. 	
6. Date of the Next Meeting	The date of the next meeting was proposed as Thursday 16 October, to be confirmed.	
7. Confidentiality and Feedback	The Board was reminded that Papers 1, 2 and 3 were confidential and are not to be shared.	
8. Closing Remarks	<p>Michael thanked everyone for their attendance.</p> <p>The meeting ended at 3.35pm.</p>	