

GLASTONBURY CONSERVATION SOCIETY NEWSLETTER Winter 2018

Chairman's Report

he 2017 A.G.M. was held at the Baytree cafe and only a few members attended. Points brought up at the meeting were: Progress of the Crown Inn. As squatters had been living in the Crown, there was a lot of interior work to finalise. The ground floor window frames had to be replaced the window frames on the other floors did not need replacing. The Millenium plaque which had been on the wall for the town trail is missing, and this has been put on the listed building by the Crown Authorities.

The Tribunal

The car park has been re-surfaced and the new tarmac went over the old boundary stones of the Tribunal. The town hall were informed.

Footpaths

This year we have concentrating on the well walked paths and managed to keep these open. We put road plainings down along some of Paradise lane and up through Bushy Combe. The contact for footpaths is now Kevin Mitchell as Nathan Pritchard has re-signed.

Treasurer's Report

This was handed around and aroused some discussion over a bequest. A vote of all those present was taken and all endorsed the committee's decision for an amount of £10,000 to go towards the building work at St John's Church.

Here I would like to make my case to the lively discussion. According to the Conservation Society's

constitution"The committee once all running costs are met can give money to other causes, as long as they fall in the conservation area or a worth doing to improve Glastonbury."

Also it was brought up that we should have our accounts inspected. We have looked in to this and we are fully compliant with the Charity Commissions rules and regulations. As we are a small society and our turnover is small we do not warrant an audit. If any member wishes to inspect our funds then please contact the treasurer.

Just a gentle reminder that your subs for the year are now due. The amount is a minimum of £ 7.50.





ow that the ground floor of St Dunstans House has been renovated, the Tourist Information Centre has moved in. This now means that the

Glastonbury Tribunal is now empty. A decision on the future use of this historic building is not due until September 2018.

The Tribunal possibly dates back to the 12th century. A small excavation took place in 1992 along the passageway near the west wall. This revealed evidence of a possible timber building of the 12th century.

In the 14th century the Abbot's court house occupied a site on the south side of the high street. This was described as a hall under which was a jail, five shops and a little shop used to collect tolls from the local fairs.

The name Tribunal means court house, this is

misleading because it is now known that the Abbot's court house was on the opposite side of the high street. The mistake was perhaps first made by a surveyor who before 1778 drew a map of the town and marked the building as "formerly the judgement hall of the Abbot". Very little documentary evidence exists for this building. But it is believed to be a rich merchant's town house.

During the 19th and 20th century the building was restored, some walls have been rebuilt and evidence of 18th and 19th century occupation was removed. Due to these changes, it has proved very difficult to interpret the history of the building.

GLASTONBURY ABBEY 1066 – 1126 - SIXTY FASCINATING YEARS

Dr. Tim Hopkinson-Ball GAS 24th. Nov. 2017

ollowing the Norman conquest there was no immediate impact on Glastonbury Abbey; it was not until 1070 that the Papal Legate set about the reorganization of the Saxon church, with a series of Councils and the establishment of over 100 new foundations. Reform reached Glastonbury in 1077 with Lanfranc's replacement of the Saxon Abbot Ailnoth by the Norman Thurstin, who began

construction of an entirely new Abbey church to the east of the existing buildings, to a design similar to that of the cathedral church at Old Sarum. Unusually, the Saxon buildings were not demolished. Relations with the Saxon monks deteriorated and in 1081 Thurstin brought in soldiers to subdue their resistance, resulting in the death and injury of a number. In the face of this scandal, William deposed Thurstin, leaving the monastery without an Abbot for six years until his return. As an attempt at reconciliation the body of St.

Benignus was translated from Meare to Glastonbury in 1091, with a chapel being built (now St. Benedict's) where the remains rested before entering the Abbey itself

On Thurstin's death in 1096 Herluin was appointed and razed his predecessor's church to replace it with one of his own — again leaving the earlier Saxon buildings intact. He was followed by Abbot Sefrid in 1020, who in 1125 became Bishop of Chichester. Henry of Blois was appointed in 1026.

Planning

90 Bove Town BA6 8JG

Application 2017/2535/LBC by Mr & Mrs S Hoyle to render over a modern brick gable end and to paint over the rendering on an existing garage.

Avalon caravan park, Godney Road. BA6 9AF

Application 2017/1272/FUL for approval to change from a camping site to a camping and touring caravan site. Application approved.

Land to the North of the A39. BA6 9BJ

Application 2017/2655/REM by Keepmoat Regeneration Ltd. Sanctuary Housing Ass. For the residential development of 135 dwellings, open space, highways, car parking, landscaping and ancillary development. The outline application was not EIA development, and this is a reserve matters application.

The Crown, 4 Market Place BA6 9HD

Application 2017/1789/FUL for the discharge of condition from the application, 5/joinery details, 3/ render specification and 4/ roofing sample.

1 The Roman Way, Healing Waters Sanctuary BA6 8AB

Application 2017/1872/CLE by Mrs Juliet Yelverton for a bed and breakfast and residential therapy centre, including the hosting of therapeutic retreat and workshops. (Amended 13.9.17). Approved.

13 Wells Road BA6 9ND

Application 2017/2604/TCA by Mr Carl Shaw for the proposed removal of a cherry plum tree T1 in a conservation area. Application approved.

Mendip Partnership School, Benedict St BA6 9EX

Application 2017/2811/TPO by Mr Nick Newell for proposed work to a TPO tree M1102, T1/oak to include a crown lift on the garden side by 3 metres and pruning cuts of 50mm plus a crown lift on the car park side of 3 metres and pruning cuts of 50mm.

104 Bove Town BA6 8JG

Application 2017/2516/LBC by Mr Gerry McConnell to carry out internal alterations. Plus 2017/2622/LBC for a proposed wood store and shed in the curtilage of a listed building.

6 Church Lane BA6 9JQ

Application 2017/2870/HSE by Mrs Daisy Foss for the erection of two single storey garden rooms and extension of the porch.

Plus 2017/2871/HSE for the erection of a conservatory to the rear elevation, for the conversion of a garage into a room ancillary of the conservatory, plus internal alteration to a wall on the first floor for the creation of a hathroom and associated works

Plus 2017/2995/LBC as for 2870/HSE. All three are retrospective applications.

Chalice Hill House, Dod Lane BA6 8BZ

Application 2017/2797/TPO by Sophie Sleeckx for proposed work to three TPO oaks. Crown reduction to T1 and T3 plus cutting back by two metres to T2.

13 High Street BA6 9DP

Application 2017/1041/FUL for the conversion to three one bed flats plus a bin store has been approved.

Application 2017/1078/FUL for the conversion of the first floor of 21-23 and the ground floor of 4 St Johns Square to four one bedroom flats has been refused.

Ye Queens Head, 84 High Street BA6 9DZ

Applicaion 2016/2958/Ful for the conversion to a motel

and the conversion to two holiday lets is approved.

52B Magdalene Street BA6 9EJ

Application 2017/2830/FUL by Mr Robert Knowles for three flats.

The Globe Inn, The Armoury, Magdalene St. BA6 9EN

Application 2017/2931/FUL by Mr T Zangauro for a single storey infill extension and alterations/ refurbishment.

The Old Library, 19 Northload Street BA6 9JJ

Application 2017/2937/FUL by Mr Wilson for the conversion of the former library (D1) to two retail units (A1) with two flats above (C3).

2 Silver Street BA6 8BT

Application 2017/2568/FUL by Mr Nick Gaze for change of use from an office (B2) to residential.

PLUS

Dyehouse Lane: The work to create a bus park / garage seems to have picked up again with the parking area/ base being levelled and some of the pantechnican vehicles moving to the next field. There is also a gated access to the bypass next to the industrial site.

GENERAL INTEREST: Marks and Spencers have gone ahead with an application for a food store on the site of the Oaklands Nursery at Streetroundabout. Application is 2017/2661/FUL.

Reflections on Nature - Art inspired by the gardens and grounds:

Marie Burke, Andrea Clark, Tom Clark, Ann Fagan, Melvyn Firmager and Lucy Willis

At Glastonbury Abbey, 24th March — 24th June 2018

or details of opening times, admission charges and special events: www.glastonburyabbey.com An exhibition on the theme of the abbey in

its natural setting features work by a group of local artists: figural stone sculptures by Tom Clark reflect the abbey's own carvings; paintings and prints by Lucy Willis, Ann Fagan and Andrea Clark illustrate the trees, plants and wildlife which inhabit the grounds; delicate wood turning in organic shapes by Melvyn Firmager complement exquisite botanical paintings by Marie Burke.



Abbot's Kitchen' Etchina by Andrea Clark

'Swoop over the

Glastonbury Conservation Society Income & Expenditure Accounts Year End 31/07/17

Brought Forward £ **Balance Sheet** Less excess Current Account 3112.08 Bal B/F 10794.1 Inc /Expenditure 1398.53 Reserve Account 0.05 less Excess excess exp/income -419.2 CCLA Account 7681.93 10374.9 **Expenditure** £ Total 10794.06 Bal C/F Mise expenditure 40 Current Account 2675.81 Income £ **Projects** 605.75 Reserve Account 0.05 Subs 1150 Newsletters 292.78 CCLA Account 7699.05 Footpaths 150 AGM 60 10374.91 Books 80 Donation Re St Bens Church 400 Signed as a true and accurate Record of the 2017 Accounts CCLA interest 18.53 419.2 **Donations** 1398.53 K.Mitchell, Hon Treasurer



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