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Yeovil Town Council

The Meeting... **Yeovil Annual Town Meeting**

The Time... **7.00pm**

The Date... **Tuesday 6 May 2008**

The Place... **The Sanctuary, Baptist Church, South
Street, Yeovil**

The Town Council will be discussing all the items listed overleaf

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Alan Tawse

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Town Clerk

25 April 2008

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YEOVIL TOWN COUNCIL

Tony Lock – Mayor of Yeovil Town

Wes Read – Deputy Mayor of Yeovil Town

J Vincent Chainey

Philip Chandler

John Cruddas

Clive Davis

Bridget Dollard

Tony Fife

Julian Freke

Dave Gooding

Pete Goodman

John Grana

Dave Greene

Peter Gubbins

John Hann

Steve Hawker

Simon Hester

Andrew Kendall

Ruth Kendall

Ian Martin

Pat Martin

Tom Parsley

David Recardo

Alan Smith

A G E N D A

Prayers

1. **MINUTES**

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 15 May 2007 (copy attached at pages 2 to 4).

2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

3. **ADDRESS BY COUNCILLOR TONY LOCK – MAYOR OF YEOVIL TOWN**

4. **ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE COUNCIL'S COMMITTEES FOR 2007/08**

- Policy, Resources and Finance Committee
- Grounds and General Maintenance Committee
- Buildings and Civic Matters Committee
- Planning and Licensing Committee
- Promotions and Activities Committee

5. **FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 2007/08** (attached at page 5)

6. **GENERAL DISCUSSION**

7. **MAYOR'S AWARD 2008**

YEOVIL TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the **YEOVIL ANNUAL TOWN MEETING** held in the Sanctuary, Yeovil Baptist Church, South Street, Yeovil on **Tuesday 15 May 2007**

(7.00pm to 8.10pm)

Present:

Tony Lock – Mayor	John Hann
J Vincent Chainey	Steve Hawker
Philip Chandler	Simon Hester
John Cruddas	Andrew Kendall
Clive Davis	Ruth Kendall
Bridget Dollard	Ian Martin
Tony Fife	Pat Martin
Julian Freke	Tom Parsley
Dave Gooding	Wes Read
Pete Goodman	David Recardo
John Grana	Alan Smith
David Greene	

Officers:

Alan Tawse – Town Clerk

1. **PRAYERS**

Reverend Ed Bangay offered prayers on behalf of the Council and the Townspeople of Yeovil.

2. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 2 May 2006, copies of which had been circulated, were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

3. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Peter Gubbins

4. **MAYOR'S ADDRESS**

The Mayor of Yeovil, Tony Lock, welcomed those present to the meeting.

He then made a speech (copy attached to the official minute book) and gave a presentation, which outlined the significant events that had taken place over the past year. He concluded by thanking the Deputy Mayor, the Members and Staff of the Council, his Chaplain, his Cadet and his family and friends for all their help and support over the previous twelve months.

5. **ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE COUNCIL'S COMMITTEES 2006/07**

The Chairmen of the various Committees of the Council each gave a brief presentation on the main activities and achievements of their respective Committees during 2006/07. Details of each Committee's activities and achievements were set out in the Council's Annual Report, copies of which were circulated at the meeting and is attached to the official minute book.

6. **FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2006/07**

The Financial Statement for 2006/07, as submitted, was noted.

7. **GENERAL DISCUSSION**

Mr Dave Gladding enquired as to the apparent delay in the disposal of the former allotment land at Goldcroft, and asked whether the delay had resulted in the Town Council suffering a consequential loss.

In response, the Town Clerk explained that negotiations were taking place with the District Council, which claimed to own a ransom strip fronting the land.

He added that the negotiations were almost concluded and that following an agreement being reached on all outstanding matters, the disposal would go ahead. He expected this to take place in the coming months.

As far as the financial implications of the delay in disposal were concerned, he explained that this was difficult to quantify as any loss of interest on the anticipated capital receipt could be offset by a potential increase in the value of the land pending its disposal.

Ms June Shepard referred to the street trading activity in King George Street, which she felt impinged on the nearby sculpture and occasionally caused an obstruction.

In response, the Town Clerk explained that the street trading activity was licensed by the Town Council and that the permit issued to the trader concerned included conditions which controlled the specific location of the trading activity and other related matters.

He added that regular enforcement activity was undertaken in respect of all street trading, and that he would investigate the specific concerns expressed by Ms Shepard and take appropriate action.

8. **MAYOR'S AWARD 2007**

The Mayor indicated that this year, the award would be made to two people who had spent decades actively helping others and raising funds for local charities within the Town. He explained that many individuals and organisations had benefited from their fundraising efforts as well as enjoying the numerous events that the recipients of the award had organised together over the years.

Some key paragraphs from the citation were read out at the meeting.

The Mayor indicated that it gave him great pleasure to announce that this year's award would go to Ruth and Derek Lush for their outstanding service to the community. Ruth and Derek received the award and thanked the Mayor.

Mayor

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FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2008

(Figures are subject to audit and are exclusive of VAT and adjusted for journals)

	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>
Balance in hand as at 1 April 2007	378,931.25	
Precept 2007/08	739,841.00	
Policy Resources & Finance		
Grants		15,750.50
Salaries	3,966.00	154,688.96
Accumulated interest on Town Council Investments	30,563.39	
Other Income/Expenditure	3,059.81	186,748.55
Planning & Licensing	19,583.00	34,209.43
Grounds & General Maintenance		
Allotment Rents	6,730.23	
Allotment Expenditure		29,901.78
Open Spaces Expenditure		181,549.46
Other Income/Expenditure	1,703.44	9,531.31
Building & Civic Matters		
Monmouth Hall hiring fees	6,475.20	
Monmouth Hall Expenditure		16,425.12
Capital Repayment on Loan Account		4,838.45
Interest on Loan		916.95
Other Income/Expenditure	15,870.08	51,059.59
Promotions & Activities		
Christmas Lights	12,445.36	36,741.28
Yeovil in Bloom	-	33,377.97
Other Income/Expenditure	8.09	32,236.56
Joint Burial Fund	700.00	93,459.24
Bottlebank	1,256.40	1,147.70
Capital Receipts/Expenditure	15,141.00	14,757.61
VAT Accounts	55,006.95	
TOTALS	1,291,281.20	897,340.46
Less Expenditure	897,340.46	
Net adjustment for expenditure relating to 2006/07 and uncleared expenditure in 2007/08	146,861.42	
Closing Balance as at 31 March 2008	247,079.32	