

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING: JULY 27, 2021

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Anne	Bowman	62 Morgan Drive 06033	Town Council Comments 7/27/2021 Unfortunately, I cannot be there tonight and I am very appreciative of being able to share my thoughts with you through an electronic web form. My name is Anne Bowman and my address is 62 Morgan Drive. I am concerned about the increase in cars thefts and the resulting trauma to individual residents and the Glastonbury community, both individual trauma and collective trauma. I am equally concerned about the potential for children being treated as adults in the efforts to change the existing laws for juvenile offenders. Our brains are not fully developed until an average of 25 years of age. This means that the brains of those under the age of ~25 are still developing in the areas of cognition, ability to assess risk and to think logically. Teenagers are challenged in their ability to make good judgements. Their brains are not fully developed. Teenagers under the age of 18 are not adults. I do not want youth 18 and younger treated as adults. I am concerned about the Affordable Housing Steering Committee meeting in person only. These meetings are not available on Zoom and are not recorded. The only way a Glastonbury resident can participate in a meeting of the Affordable Housing Steering Committee is to come to the Town Council Chambers. Given that the dates for these meetings are listed on the Event Calendar for only July and August, it can be difficult to plan to be at meetings in September and beyond. Affordable Housing is a very important issue for Glastonbury and the availability of these meetings does not reflect this importance. I bring my concerns to you with the greatest respect for the challenges and disrespect facing you and all elected officials because you are the elected leaders of Glastonbury. My hope is for Glastonbury to be the best place to live for us and others. Thank you