# MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF GORING ON THAMES PARISH COUNCIL Tuesday 24th October 2017 at 7:30pm, The Old Jubilee Fire Station, Red Cross Road, Goring on Thames

#### **Members Present:**

Chairman Vice Chairman Members Kevin Bulmer (KB) John Wills (JW) Bryan Urbick BU) Lawrie Reavill (LR Catherine Hall (CH) Matthew Brown (MBr) Emrhys Barrell (EB) David Brooker (DB)

## **Officers Present:**

Clerk

Clare Fox (CF)

Approx. 10 members of the public and press

- **17/151 To receive apologies for absence**. Apologies for absence were received from Carmela Boff (CB) and Mary Bulmer (MBu)
- **17/152 To receive any declarations of interests** None.

## 17/153 Chairman's Introduction

Cllr Bulmer stated that the Neighbourhood Plan had reached a quite momentous place which now heralded the formal start of the final consultation process. This Extraordinary Council meeting had been called to receive the "draft" until it was approved. Cllr Bulmer explained this period of time would be the last opportunity to alter the plan, as after that it would go to SODC for consideration and then depending on what happened at SODC it would be sent to on to the Examiner.

- 17/154 To receive the Draft Neighbourhood Plan and the Draft Sustainability Appraisal for Goring on Thames and consider whether they be published for consultation under Regulation 14 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. Cllr Bulmer than formally proposed the Committee receive the "draft" Neighbourhood Plan, Cllr Bulmer proposed the action, Cllr Wills seconded it and the Committee voted unanimously to receive the document.
- 17/155 To confirm the start and closing dates of any such publication and consultation. Cllr Bulmer said the dates for publication and public consultation would be from 31st October until 13th December (6 weeks + 1 day). Cllr Bulmer explained the document would be widely publicised including at the Planning Authority at SODC, on GPC's website and with a link to the NP website, plus there would be an article in the next edition of Goring Gap News. Every house in Goring would receive a summary leaflet. By the end of the 6 week period hopefully everyone would know about it and have had the opportunity to read the full draft document and to comment. There was to be a hard copy in the Council Office at Old Jubilee Fire Station, 2 hard copies in the village Library, as well as the pdf version online. Comments from the public can be dropped through the door at OJFS or made online. There would be 4 drop in sessions at OJFS each separately dedicated to the neighbours of one of the four shortlisted sites and a meeting is to be held with the School Working Party. A general workshop is planned to answer any questions. Additionally information would be on all noticeboards as well as notices placed in the Henley Standard and the GGN. (Approx. date of publication of GGN is15th November). This action was proposed by Cllr Bulmer, seconded by Cllr Wills and the Committee voted unanimously to action these proposals.

#### 17/156 Chairman's closing remarks

Cllr Bulmer stated in his view this was a very solid piece of work, and added that Goring had some particular complications to contend with including the river, being entirely within the AONB and the mainline railway line. He proposed a vote of thanks to all those that have taken part.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 1940 hrs.

#### Abbreviations

GGNGoring Gap NewsGPCGoring on Thames Parish CouncilNPNeighbourhood PlanOJFSOld Jubilee Fire StationSODCSouth Oxfordshire District Council