



## **Minutes of a Meeting of the Traffic Management, Parking & Pedestrian Safety Committee of the Goring-on-Thames Parish Council**

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 10:30am, Gardiner Pavilion**

### **Members Present:**

Chair Cllr Robin Williamson  
Members Cllr Sonia Lofthouse  
Cllr Jeremy Hutchins

### **Officers Present:**

Assistant Clerk Mike Harper

### **Public and Press:**

Two MoPs

### **Public Session – Prior to the Start of the Meeting**

Two MoPs spoke. The representative of MIGGS informed the Committee that the replacement orientation plaque outside the station would be installed at the end of May. This raised the question of how to dispose of the old one, which was the Council's property. As it is made of zinc there may be some scrap value, taken together with its supports. It was decided to get a quote when it was ready for disposal.

MIGGS had contributed £1,000 towards the costs of the trial PPL in Station Road on the basis that it would meet one third of the eventual cost. On the basis of the actual costs a refund was due and a request had been made in May but there had been no response.

The second MoP was concerned that placing hedgehog warning signs around the Village would be an unwelcome addition to the number of existing signs and lead to increasing urbanisation.

### **Meeting Started at 10:30**

#### **24.50.1. Election of Chair of the Committee.**

24.50.1.1 Cllr Lofthouse resigned as Chair

**Resolved:** It was unanimously agreed that Cllr Williamson replace Cllr Lofthouse as Chair of the Committee.

#### **24.50.2. To receive apologies for absence. (LGA 1972 s85(1))**

Cllr N Mallen.

#### **24.50.3. Declarations of Interests (LA 2011 s31)**

None.

#### **24.50.4. To consider requests for Dispensations (LA 2011 s33)**

None.



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### **24.50.5. To approve the minutes of previous committee meetings [LA 1972 Sch 12. Para41(1)]**

24.50.5.1. Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

It was agreed the minutes were an accurate record of the meeting and they were duly signed.

### **24.50.6. To consider the use of hedgehog signs to reduce vehicle speeds and if so, the next steps. Appendix A**

It was considered that hedgehog signs were desirable, noting that the advice in Appendix A was that signs should be located between the speed limit sign and the residential area, focussing on busy B roads. Elvendon Road Road, Cleeve Road and Manor Road were thought to be most suitable.

**Resolved:** It was unanimously agreed to order 3 signs for the Elvendon Road, Cleeve Road and Manor Road, exact locations within those roads to be determined.

### **24.50.7. To consider the irregular use of traffic cones and the scope for controlling their use.**

There was a discussion about the use of cones to secure private parking spots. It was noted that it is illegal to obstruct the highway without authority. The Assistant Clerk was asked to provide a note for GENIE to make this point.

### **24.50.8. To review the Action List and agree and further Actions.**

#### **Action List**

The Action List was updated. The Press Notice from OCC announcing future investment in EV chargers and a grant scheme for community charging hubs was noted. It was agreed that when the grant scheme was open GPC should bid for sites by the Village Hall, the Community Centre and the Station if these fell within the remit of the scheme. Progress on the PPL in Gatehampton Road was noted and it was agreed to ask GWR to carry out the work using its contractors, subject to funding being agreed by Full Council.

**Resolved:** It was unanimously agreed to seek Full Council agreement to the costs of a PPL in Gatehampton Road at £1,400 excl VAT and £3,000 excl VAT for a dropped kerb in Gatehampton Road.

### **24.50.9. To receive an update on the Parish Transport Representatives meeting and agree actions.**

Cllr Hutchins reported on the meeting held on the 19<sup>th</sup> March. The main points of interest were: plans to develop Oxford Station as a rail hub; planned electrification of Didcot-Oxford line with a possible extension of Paddington-Dicot route to Oxford; future integration of ticketing across rail and bus services; in future all railway stations to become rail hubs with integrated bus services and cycle provision.

### **24.50.10. To consider correspondence received.**

None

### **24.50.11. Matters for future discussion.**

None



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**24.50.12. To consider and, if thought fit, approve the following motion: In view of the confidential nature of the business about to transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public and press be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw.** **Confidential Papers**

**Resolved:** To approve the motion.

24.50.12.1 To authorise the Assistant Clerk to place an order for the marking of carparking bays and double yellow lines on the access road at Sheepcot Field.

It was noted that this work would need to take place shortly after the clearance of brambles overgrowing the parking area.

**Resolved:** It was unanimously agreed to authorise the Assistant Clerk to place an order accordingly with Third Generation Services.

**24.50.13. To confirm the date of the next meeting: 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024 .**

Confirmed.

There being no further business to be transacted, the Chair closed the meeting at 11.45