

GORING-ON-THAMES PARISH COUNCIL

**All Councillors are summoned to a meeting of Council, to be held at the
Bellême Room, Village Hall, Goring on Monday 11 December 2017 at 7.30pm
Public and press are invited to attend**

Members are respectfully reminded of the obligation to declare any interests relevant to business to be conducted at this meeting and of the convention as to withdrawal from the meeting for the relevant item unless the interest is not one that debars the member from speaking thereon.

AGENDA – COUNCIL MEETING

1. To receive apologies for absence.
2. To receive declarations of interests.
3. Public forum: *An opportunity for the public to address the council. With the permission of the chairman, the public may also speak about specific items of business as they arise.*
4. To approve minutes of the meeting held on 13 November 2017.
5. Matters arising from those minutes not elsewhere on the agenda.
6. To receive chairman's report and announcements.
7. To set dates for councillors to review the NP consultation papers prior to consideration at a full council meeting.
8. To note a report from County Councillor / District Councillor Kevin Bulmer. ([Appendix A](#))
9. To receive an update on the NP Strategic Project for Goring CE Primary School (CB)
10. To consider a report on the NP Strategic Project for the Village centre. (DB) ([Appendix B](#))
11. To consider a report on Recreation Grounds issues, including a request by Goring Robins to use a generator. (LR) ([Appendix C](#))
12. To receive a report from the Police. (JW)
13. To receive a report on White Hill Burial Ground issues. (MBu)
14. To consider an update on Freedom of Information issues. (KB)
15. To consider a report regarding planned events in the village. (CH) ([Appendix D](#))
16. To consider a working group to deal with planned events, including any GM memorial. (CH)
17. To consider a report on a memorial statue and bench for George Michael (CH) ([Appendix E](#))
18. Parish Finance:
 1. To approve payments for November 2017. ([Appendix F](#))

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2. To note receipts for November 2017. (Appendix G)
3. To note the bank account and reserves balances as at November 2017 (Appendix H)
4. To approve an increase to the seats budget of £1,270 for memorial benches (covered by donations) and an increase across grass cutting and hedging budgets of £2,000 to cover unanticipated late invoices from 2016-17
19. To consider organising a 'get involved' event sponsored by GPC (BU)
20. To consider annual risk assessments. (Appendices I, I1)
21. To consider amending routine Planning Committee meetings to be held one per month (DB)
22. Reports from Planning Committee – to receive minutes of meeting held on 7 November 2017.
23. Correspondence.
 1. Email from the Twinning Association regarding wrongly spelt sign
 2. Emails from / to Goring Robins regarding ground works, sign and generator
24. To consider the date of the next meeting (LR) (currently 12 February 2018)
25. Matters for future discussion.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GORING ON THAMES PARISH COUNCIL
Bellême Room, Goring Village Hall 7.30pm Monday 13 November 2017

Members Present:

Chairman	Kevin Bulmer (KB)
Vice Chairman	John Wills (JW)
Members	Bryan Urbick BU)
	Lawrie Reavill (LR
	Catherine Hall (CH)
	David Brooker (DB)

Officers Present:

Clerk	Colin Ratcliff (CR)
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Approx. 18 members of the public and press

17/157 To receive apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were received from) Emrhys Barrell (EB) Matthew Brown (MBr), Mary Bulmer (MBu) and Carmela Boff (CB)

17/158 To receive any declarations of interests

None.

17/159 Public Forum

Ron Bridle was present to speak to Item 21(1) if required

Stephanie Bridle was present to speak to item 16(5) if required

Terry Daniels, representative of the GM group organising the June 2018 event clarified that another group of fans (via Lisa Wright) had made an offer for a bench for Goring residents to say thank you for the welcome given and not as a specific memorial for GM which Terry and her group are leading on; she hopes to submit formal plans soon for a statue and bench and that Sony may help with funding.

KB stated that CH is their liaison councillor for GPC

17/160 To approve minutes of the meetings held on 9 and 24 September 2017

Resolved: That the minutes be approved and signed by the Chairman.

17/161 Matters arising from those minutes not elsewhere on the agenda

17/137 Regarding Mr Braham's comments BU had researched Long Wittenham's NP. The main difference being they had not made site allocations and therefore few planning issues were involved.

17/145 CR reported that Tesco had apparently offered to supply some signs to assist with parking problems.

17/115 KB reported SODC were not able to supply a bulk litter bin at Wheel Orchard Car Park but they had confirmed collections are taking place twice a week on Monday and Friday

17/162 To receive chairman's report and announcements

KB said the NP summary had started to be delivered around the village

17/163 To consider a report on the Neighbourhood Plan

David Wilkins reported the NP had been published for village consultation ending on 13 December he described where it is available, how comments may be submitted and how they will be reviewed. The summary is being delivered to every household in the village.

The SODC SHELAA results have been published and identify a huge amount of land surrounding

Signed:

Dated:

Goring which SODC believes is 'suitable and available' for development; 66 ha of land which is enough for circa 2000 houses. SODC is under huge pressure to build new houses. He said that without a NP Goring risks uncontrolled development.

The NPSG would like to thank all the volunteers who gave their time to the extensive consultation programme and to the analysis and preparation of the Plan, also to GPC for their ongoing support. The NPSG look forward to receiving feedback during the Reg. 14 consultation phase.

17/164 To consider appointing a working group to progress the NP Strategic Project of improving traffic management, parking and pedestrian safety in the village centre.

KB said that DB had so far been working alone on these issues and proposed a working group to take forward the NP Strategic Project.

Resolved: That DB, JW and LR be appointed to a working group.

17/165 To consider a report on the NP Strategic Project for Goring CE Primary School

BU referred to Appendix A.

The Strategic Project Group is formed of 3 parents, 2 governors and 3 parish councillors. They had met a few times with the next major step being a feasibility study. He proposed a S.137 Grant as detailed in the appendix.

KB confirmed the funding would only be provided if the rest of the funds were forthcoming. DB asked about other funding sources, BU confirmed the group would also be looking at other sources.

Resolved: That the s.137 grant be made available in line with the proposal in Appendix A (up to half with a maximum of £6,000).

17/166 To note a report from County Councillor / District Councillor Kevin Bulmer.

Appendix B refers.

KB also mentioned the Spatial Strategy Plan for Oxfordshire that deals with funding bids for Oxfordshire and large Capital Projects

17/167 To receive a report from the Police

JW reported a theft from motor vehicle in Lycroft where stolen credit cards had been used the same day in Portsmouth, a burglary with intent Lockstile Way, a shed burglary in Manor Road, nothing stolen. He has spoken to the PCSO about drug abuse and litter in Sheepcot and Gardiner Recreation Grounds.

17/168 To consider a report on High Street issues

Appendix C refers.

Resolved: That an email be sent to seek a lobby group for SODC to reconsider enforcement devolvement. Large vehicles would be discussed as part of the NPSP.

17/169 To consider a report on Recreation Grounds issues

Appendix D refers.

LR reported a Lime tree in Gardiner was potentially sick and that further research was being carried out. KB noted that tree maintenance issues might have to be deferred while a potential safety issue takes priority.

LR proposed that an estimate be obtained for potential works in The Rectory Garden following receipt of an arboriculturalist's report with a view to considering an application to SODC.

Resolved: That an estimate be obtained.

BU proposed that the litter bin be replaced following the trial removal in Sheepcot Recreation Ground.

Resolved: That the bin be replaced and an increased budget be supported for the additional collection

LR agreed to draft a note to Goring Robins reminding them to take their own litter home and not to use the bin which is for the general public.

17/170 To receive a report on White Hill Burial Ground issues

BU commented the burial ground looks good

17/171 To receive a report regarding planned events in the village

GM Tribute 24 June 2018 – CH reported a meeting had taken place with the cricket club where concern was expressed that unacceptable damage may be a high possibility to the ground given the numbers expected (1000 plus), the Gap Festival marquee could not be used as it only accommodates 500. CH had approached the Chairman of Heart of Streatley Charitable Trust who manage Streatley Meadows, who explained that due to restrictions in the trust's Conditions it was unlikely to allow the Meadows to be used. The last option for GPC would be at Sheepcot. In addition it has been confirmed that planning permission is not required for short term use for camping.

KB noted that a full written proposal from the organising group is required before any decisions can be made

Resolved: That GPC write to formally contact Heart of Streatley Charitable Trust before completely ruling out the possibility of Streatley Meadow (CH and BU to draft).

Memorial – CH said there were two proposals; Kim Wright who has already raised £1300 and offered a stone bench as a thank you gift to village residents for the warm welcome given to fans and secondly a memorial bench and statue proposed by the GM tribute group which has the potential for sponsorship by Sony. This might be located at the base of the grass bank in the High Street should the offer for the land be progressed, full proposals are awaited.

DB asked if GM's family had been involved, CR said they were aware but had not been approached further until definite proposals were ready, it was also noted that when more details were available local consultation would be required.

Resolved: That an offer be made for the 'residents' bench to be located at Gardiner Playground.

Gap Festival – CH said the Ferry Lane Open Space has been provisionally booked for some Festival activities, they have approached the Environment Agency about use of the lock area and confirmation given that the Festival organisers may use Gardiner pavilion (public toilets will be provided separately).

17/172 Parish Finance:

1 To approve payments for October 2017

Resolved: That the payments be approved

2 To note receipts for October 2017

Noted

3 To note the bank account and reserves balances as at 31 October 2017

Noted

4 To consider a review of effectiveness of internal audit.

Appendix H referred

Resolved: That the review be accepted

5 To receive a report from Goring Gap in Bloom and consider a S.137 grant for 2018-19 in conjunction with the below item

BU said he thought the work done in the village by GGIB was good value for GPC

Resolved: To approve a S.137 grant as proposed in the 2018-19 budget below

6 To consider the revised budget for 2017-18 and set a budget and precept for the year 2018-19

BU explained the rationale behind the precept increase, quoting as an example that South Stoke residents pay approx. one third more per household than Goring.

Signed:

Dated:

Resolved: That the proposed budget revisions for 2017-18, the budget and precept for 2018-19 be approved

7 To consider a policy on grant applications

Appendix K referred.

DB proposed amendments to 3.2 line two – ‘other sources of funding for the group or project *that have either been approved or applied for*, the amount requested *from GPC*, and’

Resolved: That the amendments and policy be approved.

17/173 To consider a request from Goring Village Hall for a stall in The Rectory Garden, current fees attached.

BU declared an interest as member of the village hall committee and took no part in the discussion or vote.

KB noted GPC had never really promoted commercial use in The Rectory Garden despite wishing for it to be used more. CH suggested other places in the village might be used instead. KB asked what the Farr family felt about it, CR reported they had been consulted and had no objection to this request.

Resolved: That consent be given, subject to other bookings and at a rate of £10 per hour.

17/174 To review parish council support for the school strategic project

Item withdrawn

17/175 To review Goring's longer term development strategy

LR wished to flag up that a number of activities are under discussion and may need resources to progress, e.g. the potential for a new school, Bourdillon, other green spaces, recreation equipment, the medical centre, new council office, the Arcade, parking expansion, traffic and the village centre.

He was concerned all will require funding and space with the AONB and river as constraints and there may be competition between projects, He suggested councillors undertake some creative thinking over the next few months.

17/176 Reports from Planning Committee – to receive minutes of meetings held on 12 September, 10 and 24 October 2017.

Received and noted.

17/177 Correspondence

1 Email from Ron Bridle regarding a Community Awards Board

KB noted GPC need a new board to commemorate the Freedom Awards anyway.

Resolved: That approval in principle be given with the details to be discussed

2 Letter from Mrs Weetman regarding Signs and Posters Policy

BU said GPC could revise what local means; CR said this arose initially due to posters for a Pangbourne event. Councillors felt that was outside the definition of local which should be maintained as the current cluster and were not inclined to amend the policy.

3 To consider two requests to donate memorial benches

Resolved: To offer a location within Ferry Lane open space for the first and approve the burial ground bench. Both to be in line with the council's policy of using low maintenance, recycled material where suitable.

4 To note letter of thanks from Stephanie Bridle

Noted

17/178 Matters for future discussion

Signed:

Dated:

BU said he was aware a number of sporting and charity groups were getting short of volunteers and wished to propose an event of a ‘get involved’ day sponsored by GPC.

LR asked whether a January meeting should be reconsidered.

DB commented on the impact of increased workload on the Clerk, mentioned earlier by LR, given the number of activities in progress or planned. KB suggested an initial discussion outside of council meetings.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 2110 hrs.

Abbreviations:

GM	George Michael
GPC	Goring on Thames Parish Council
NP	Neighbourhood Plan
NPSG	Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
NPSP	Neighbourhood Plan Strategic Project
OCC	Oxfordshire County Council
SHELAA	Strategic Housing Economic Land Availability Assessment
SODC	South Oxfordshire District Council

REPORT TO GORING DIVISION PARISH COUNCIL DECEMBER 2017 FROM CLLR KEVIN BULMER

GENERAL OCC REPORT

GROWTH BOARD ANNOUNCEMENT ON HOUSING AND GROWTH AGREEMENT

The Oxfordshire Growth Board comprises the six councils: Cherwell District Council, Oxford City Council, Oxfordshire County Council, South Oxfordshire District Council, Vale of White Horse District Council and West Oxfordshire District Council, together with the county's Local Enterprise Partnership (OxLEP). On Budget Day it was announced the Board had reached an outline Housing and Growth Agreement with Government. This will see an additional £215 million of investment over the next five years to build infrastructure, support the delivery of new homes and boost economic productivity across the county. This breaks down as: £30m pa for five years for infrastructure; £60m for affordable homes across the county; and £5m to develop a Joint Statutory Spatial Plan. The Board wants the five-year deal to be the first stage in a sustained partnership with Government to secure the ongoing investment needed to deliver properly planned growth and economic development over the coming years. This will support councils to achieve the ambition of 100,000 new homes across the county over the period 2011-2031, as identified through the 2014 countywide Strategic Housing Market Assessment and Local Plans.

HOUSING INFRASTRUCTURE FUND (HIF)

The bids to the Government's Housing Infrastructure Fund (HIF), to support the development of the Didcot Garden Town, and West Oxfordshire and North of Oxford Garden Villages, are still being considered by Government with decisions expected in the new year.

OX-CAM EXPRESSWAY

The National Infrastructure Commission (NIC) has published its report to Government on the Oxford-Cambridge arc. It advised on the need for long-term investment funding for new transport infrastructure to harness the region's economic potential, to benefit local people and boost UK plc in a post-Brexit landscape.

OXFORDSHIRE ADULT SOCIAL CARE SETTINGS OUTSTRIP NATIONAL AVERAGES

Older people and adults with disabilities are getting a better level of service from care settings in Oxfordshire than elsewhere in England, official figures have again proved. The number of care homes and home care providers in the county rated as "Outstanding" or "Good" by the Care Quality Commission was yet again comfortably higher than the national average when the latest figures were published on November 1. A total of 89 per cent of the 209 Oxfordshire providers are rated "outstanding" or "good" compared to a national average of 81 per cent. The CQC regularly publishes updated national figures and Oxfordshire has for some time outstripped the national averages.

CAMPAIGN TO RECRUIT CARE STAFF TO REDUCE DELAYED TRANSFER

Against a background of increasing demand for care services, particularly from older people with complex problems and needing support, a major campaign to recruit more care staff was launched on 20 November. *Make a difference every day* is a four month campaign targeted at residents who are Mid-life women aged 50-70, parents aged 25-50 and younger adults aged 20-30 seeking flexibility in work which care work can often provide, and existing social care workers who could recruit people like themselves. The campaign aims to increase understanding of care

work opportunities available in both the public and private sectors and will direct people to job opportunities, across both sectors, on the Oxfordshire Association of Care Providers' website. It is being supported by the county council, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust, Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group and the Oxfordshire Association of Care Providers. The campaign will show the real and positive difference care work makes to peoples' lives, that it is never too late to start a career in care and it will also refer to a recent county council and Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust survey showing 9 out of 10 care workers are proud to work in social care.

OCC ANTI-SCAM CAMPAIGN

OCC's Trading Standards is asking people to "Take a Stand Against Scams". This month, National Trading Standards started offering free call blockers to any person living with dementia that is currently receiving scam or nuisance calls. It's the latest initiative in the Friends Against Scams campaign launched last year to protect and prevent people from becoming victims of scams and empowering communities. Locally, OCC introduced free training and local awareness sessions, available online and face-to-face to provide people with the confidence and skills they need to identify and prevent scams. Around 100 people have now received training and some have become "SCAMChampions", which means they are now busy spreading the message and hosting their own sessions to recruit more "Friends". The campaign aims to inspire action, highlight the scale of the issue by encouraging communities and the nation to talk about scams, change the perception of why people become scam victims and prevent people from becoming or continuing to be a scam victim. More information can be found here: <http://news.oxfordshire.gov.uk/friends-against-scams-in-oxfordshire-would-you-like-to-become-a-scamchampion/>. Applications for a free call blocker for people living with dementia can be made via www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk/callblocker

SMOKE ALARM TESTING

OCC's Fire and Rescue Service are urging residents to test smoke alarms regularly. The Local Government Association warned that almost 40% of battery-powered smoke alarms failed to activate in residential fires in England in the past year. Figures show that more than a fifth of households never test their smoke alarm and one in 10 homes do not even have a smoke alarm. More information can be found here: <http://www.365alive.co.uk/cms/content/smoke-alarms-0>

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Goring Parish Council - Goring High St – Report

4 Dec'17

1. Proposed High St roadworks

We are still seeking to get a fee from OCC Highways to prepare the drawings and specification for the proposed works to enable the construction costs to be established.

We originally dealt with Keith Stenning of OCC Highways who appears to be still around so the Clerk as sent yet another e-mail requesting drawings costs etc.

2. Installation of posts in the verge adjacent to the Rectory Gardens

Although the use of plastic bollards appears to be working there are occasions, when the Hall is not in use, when a vehicle is parked on the verge damaging the grass. I would suggest we continue to monitor the situation.

3. Community Centre car park

Local businesses who indicated an interest in taking parking spaces have been issued with leases, unfortunately the take up is slow. However, the we are aware that two potential users are trying to resolve their current parking arrangement in this car park.

The Clerk also has the contact at the PO to see if they would be happy to transfer from Wheel Orchard, which would free up spaces for the public.

4. Strategic Project related to Traffic congestion and Parking

4.1 Large vehicles through the High St.

I should have met with Streatley PC representatives on this matter so should be able to make a report at this meeting.

4.2 SODC – Civil Enforcement Powers

We have started to receive responses from other Town & Parish Councils supporting the proposal to lobby SODC on adopting Civil Enforcement Powers.

General

No matters to raise.

Cllr David Brooker

Recreation Issues - December 2017 Update**Gardiner Recreation Ground**

The tree on the south side of the Gardiner which was reported as sickly has been inspected, and a report on the probable nature of its disease received. Alternative venues for the George Michael event are being sought.

Sheepcot Recreation Ground

The litter bin is being replaced. A note has been sent to the organizers of the Robins requesting that their litter is collected separately, as it tends to overload the bin.

Bourdillon Field

The replacement swings were installed on October 10, and we have received a letter of thanks from a parent, who says the children are very pleased with them.

Rectory Garden

Our arborist (tree expert), has sent his report and specific recommendations for each of the 9 remaining mature lime trees. Quotations for the work he suggests are awaited. I propose that we submit an application to SODC for approval.

Children's Recreation Equipment

It has been proposed that the three items of recreation equipment for the 7-11 age group be installed in the south east corner of the Gardiner Recreation Ground. We need to decide whether to appoint a designer to prepare a plan, and to assist us in obtaining some external funding.

Lawrie Reavill

05.12.2017

From: Terry Daniels

Sent: 05 December 2017 15:01

To: Clerk

Cc: Nu Findlay; Lindsay Hannington; Jade Dickerson; Catherine Hall

Subject: George Michael Tribute Weekend in Goring - 2018

Dear Colin

We have had our discussions between myself, Nu Findlay, Lindsay Adams and Jade Dickerson - and I relayed our discussion from last week, when Bryan called me on loud speaker - along with yourself and Catherine Hall.

Like you, we are concerned at the length of time it has taken to get where we are at the moment, having only just been notified that our request to use the Goring Cricket Club has been declined. We are grateful that you approached the Trustees of Streatley Meadows, and understand they will not give permission as our event will be ticketed.

We do appreciate your suggestion to use the Sheepcot Recreation Ground - although it is not guaranteed, but the most likely venue for our event. We also agree that as the next GPC meeting (after today's deadline for paperwork), will now be in February - it is just not viable to get everything done for such an event, within the time frame of six months.

However, only yesterday - an opportunity has been presented to us, to hold our next event at The Swan Hotel in Streatley which we are seriously looking into. We would therefore like to move forward to making our formal application to use the Sheepcot Recreation Ground in June 2019.

Clearly, we will need to consult with you and the GPC in terms of everything to do with the Safety Advisory Group advice and recommendations, for our intention to hold our next event at The Swan - and we would appreciate knowing what we would need to do at this stage.

I am attaching our Event Management Plan for your information, and trust that I/we are on the right lines for such a proposal please.

Thank you for your assistance and support so far and I look forward to hearing back from you.

Many thanks

Terry Daniels (Mrs)

Event Management Plan

For The George Michael Birthday Tribute Weekend in Goring

23rd and 24th June 2018

Introduction and background to the event

Following on from the celebrations for The George Michael Birthday Tribute Weekend in Goring in June 2017, a group of three fans plus someone with truly local connections to the village for over 15 years, decided to get together and plan to develop the event for the weekend of 23rd and 24th June 2018.

We have agreed to work alongside the other independently arranged tribute acts and bands at the village hall and The Catherine Wheel public house, by holding an outdoor music event on one of the suggested open grounds as close to the main village. The events at the village hall and The Catherine Wheel public house do not involve our event in any way for licensing purposes.

It should be understood however, that we fans DO NOT expect to simply use Goring as a venue for an event of this type. Far from it! We have approached local business owners to invite their comments and suggestions, and offered to work closely to make this a truly remarkable community event.

After consultation with Ron Bridle, an active local resident and photographer – who also organises the GAP Festival annually, he put us in touch with Goring Parish Council for further advice and consultation as well as recommending that we attend monthly council meetings to be able to answer any questions, but especially if our event is on the agenda.

Our request for the use of possibly the Goring Cricket Club or Sheepcot Recreation Ground was heard at a recent Council meeting, it was felt that the preference for GCC was discussed – and although we have now spoken with Johnny Russell, chairman of the GCC for permission, it has been declined for several reasons – primarily the damage to the turf with the expected numbers, especially following The GAP Festival, the week prior to The George Michael Tribute event.

GPC have since raised our request for an outdoor space with the Trustees of Streatley Meadows, who have also declined – so our only most suitable remaining option will be the Sheepcot Recreation Ground. This should suit our needs more closely – not only for the size and space with little or no disruption or damage to the pitch, but it is also adjacent to the railway station. This will enable us to promote the event to visitors and to limit and therefore control the amount of vehicles coming to Goring over the weekend.

We therefore, are submitting our Event Management Plan for approval – and await confirmation of the acceptance for us to use the Sheepcot Recreation Ground, by the landowners, which we understand is Goring Parish Council.

Event content

Over the weekend of Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th June 2018, we shall hold a birthday tribute to George Michael. The event we are planning will comprise of live music and recorded music with DJ on Sunday 24th June. There will be a stage (approximately 6m x 5m) with overhead canopy and adjacent changing facilities, hospitality/green room tent for our acts, including washroom/toilet facilities. There will also be lighting, generators, PA and amplification, a piano and instruments as required by our musicians. There will be a large screen to show family and performance pictures of George Michael (to fit within the stage), erected behind our DJ equipment as supplied by a professional and fully licensed DJ. Costs are currently being sourced.

There will be signage throughout the village high street – and we understand from Ron Bridle, that he has signage for the GAP Festival. I am hoping that we may be able to keep the posts in place after his use, and we shall have our own flags for George Michael Day UK to be erected.

George Michael Day UK

The inspiration for George Michael Day UK, came on George's birthday, 25th June 2017 - when I noticed that a special event with an awards dinner featuring entertainment from Adam Lambert (from Queen), to honour George with a Lifetime award named after Elizabeth Taylor, was happening in Los Angeles, California. Project Angel Food (a charity which provides food for terminally ill and destitute people), was supported by George both financially and by him helping prepare and distribute food. He donated his Mercedes Benz car for an auction and formerly donated a cheque for \$25,000 with a note saying 'Keep doing what you're doing. Love George', and he continued to donate the same amount every year. Up until 2016, George was the charity's biggest single donor.

When I read about this, I knew we in the UK needed to recognise him and set about a plan to acknowledge his work with Childline, now part of the NSPCC. This charity was created by Dame Esther Rantzen in 1986 and became great friends with George, and he donated millions of pounds to her charity.

I approached the head of fundraising at Childline and they immediately accepted to be the official recipient of our fundraising activity - and George Michael Day UK was agreed.

This fundraising official day, will become a very important event within our weekend tribute to George, and we plan to ensure that it is fully benefitting the community of Goring – for time into the future.

George Michael Day UK was launched via Facebook, Twitter and to the main local and national media and press on 4th December 2018.

Risk Assessment and health and safety issues

At the time of writing, we understand that we need to obtain a standard risk assessment form from the local authorities, and this will be done as soon as possible to accompany this initial document.

- Crowd control
In order to manage the number of expected 1-2,000 visitors to the village, we prioritised strict control by establishing an official Facebook group for this specific event, which included an event section with a visitor counter tab, so we know an up-to-date number of those who plan to attend. We are regularly reminding all members (particularly new joiners to the group), to add themselves.
- Evacuation procedures
We will await consultation with the emergency services, which is expected to occur once we have the advice from the SAG
- Barrier safety
We intend to erect Heras safety barriers to enable us to guide our concert-goers to audience area.

Licences

- We are in the process of applying for a Premises Licence through South Oxfordshire District Council, once we have approval and confirmation that we may indeed use The Sheepcot Recreation Ground.
- Public Liability licence is currently being looked into.
- With regard to the supply of alcohol and food, this will be arranged directly with Mary and Nick Galer of The Miller of Mansfield who have their own licensing to sell alcohol along with the relevant food licensing.
- PRS and PPL music licenses are currently being sourced. PPL license covers recorded music to be played by our DJ including video images on large screens (dependent on size), and the PRS license will cover live music. It is possible that our musicians will already have the relevant licensing, so this will be checked by our group.

Environmental issues

- Noise control
Whilst we are still planning our music programme for a Sunday, we understand that we need to check legally what time we can have live and recorded music playing.

We will have a PA system, live music plus recorded music with video screens on the stage, and lighting effects. This is currently being sourced.

- Local residents

We understand that we need to advertise our event locally in order to inform villagers of our intention. This will be done, once we have been given the go-ahead. We envisage not having music played way into the night, nor having fireworks which would disrupt the neighbours and pets – and we believe that The Sheepcot Recreation ground will be sufficiently distant from the local resident hub. There will be ample volunteer stewards and marshalls for the event as well as being responsible for litter picking after our event.

- Food

The landlords of The Miller of Mansfield have agreed to provide a burger stand as they hold the relevant licencing to sell and comply with legislation.

- Temporary structures

Apart from the stage and hospitality/green room tent, there will be no other structures erected. We will hire Portaloo's.

Emergency services

- At the time of writing, we are aware that we need to consult with the SAG (ambulance, fire, police), to provide a level of medical, security and fire-related services at the expense of the organisers.

Medical provisions

Once we have had approval and the go-ahead for the event, and after consultation with the SAG, we will request South Central Ambulance Service and St John Ambulance and first-aiders to be in attendance within the village and also at our music event on The Sheepcot Recreation Ground, and await further advice with the SAG.

Traffic management

Unlike the event in June 2017, which we understand from photographic evidence, the event drew approximately 1,000 people, we do not envisage such high numbers of visitors within the main street between Mill Cottage and The Miller of Mansfield public house, primarily because the impromptu street party which occurred outside Mill Cottage is not being planned by our group.

Other considerations

- Disabled visitors will be specifically catered for with adequate space for wheelchairs and access to the stage area, chairs to the fore of the stage area. We will have a provision for suitable covering on the grass for wheelchairs. We will also consult with the RNID to enquire about facilities for a hearing loop.
- Stewards (or marshalls) will be provided by a team of volunteers which we will source from the various visitors who have already declared their assistance and whom we will call 'Star People'. These individuals will be visible by a special tee-shirt to be worn throughout the weekend. They will support and assist with all duties as required and will be managed by our team, to ensure sufficient cover within the village and also at the concert is provided. It will also include litter-picking. As the Police provided PCSO's for the event in the village in June 2017, it is likely that we will request similar support, once we have met with and been advised by the SAG.
- Security may also be provided by the musicians and/or other celebrities who may be invited.
- Ticketing will be required and as we are still in the process of finalising our venue, we envisage selling tickets beforehand, so we can strictly control the numbers of visitors and concert-goers. Our alternative will be to have free entry, with a suggested minimum donation on the door in to secured collection buckets which will be officially provided by Childline and their own staff.

Ends

Prepared by Terry Daniels,

The background of the slide features abstract, flowing waves in shades of red, orange, and yellow, creating a dynamic and artistic feel. The waves are layered, with some appearing more prominent than others, and they curve across the frame.

THE GEORGE MICHAEL SCULPTURE

Proposal by Andrew Sinclair ARBS

THE SCULPTOR

Andrew Sinclair MRBS is recognised as a master of world-class figurative sculpture. His superlative sense of design, composition and attention to detail is renowned - he captures the essence of his subjects in every commission.

Andrew's impressive catalogue of work graces many distinguished historical properties and public places such as the Royal Box at Ascot and Crosby Hall (Sir Thomas More's old palace) in London, including multiple commissions for the late publisher Felix Dennis. Working to commission during his 25 year professional career, Andrew's sculptures are in collections across the globe.

Andrew's latest public sculpture is a life-size bronze of David Bowie commissioned for Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, due to be unveiled in early 2018.

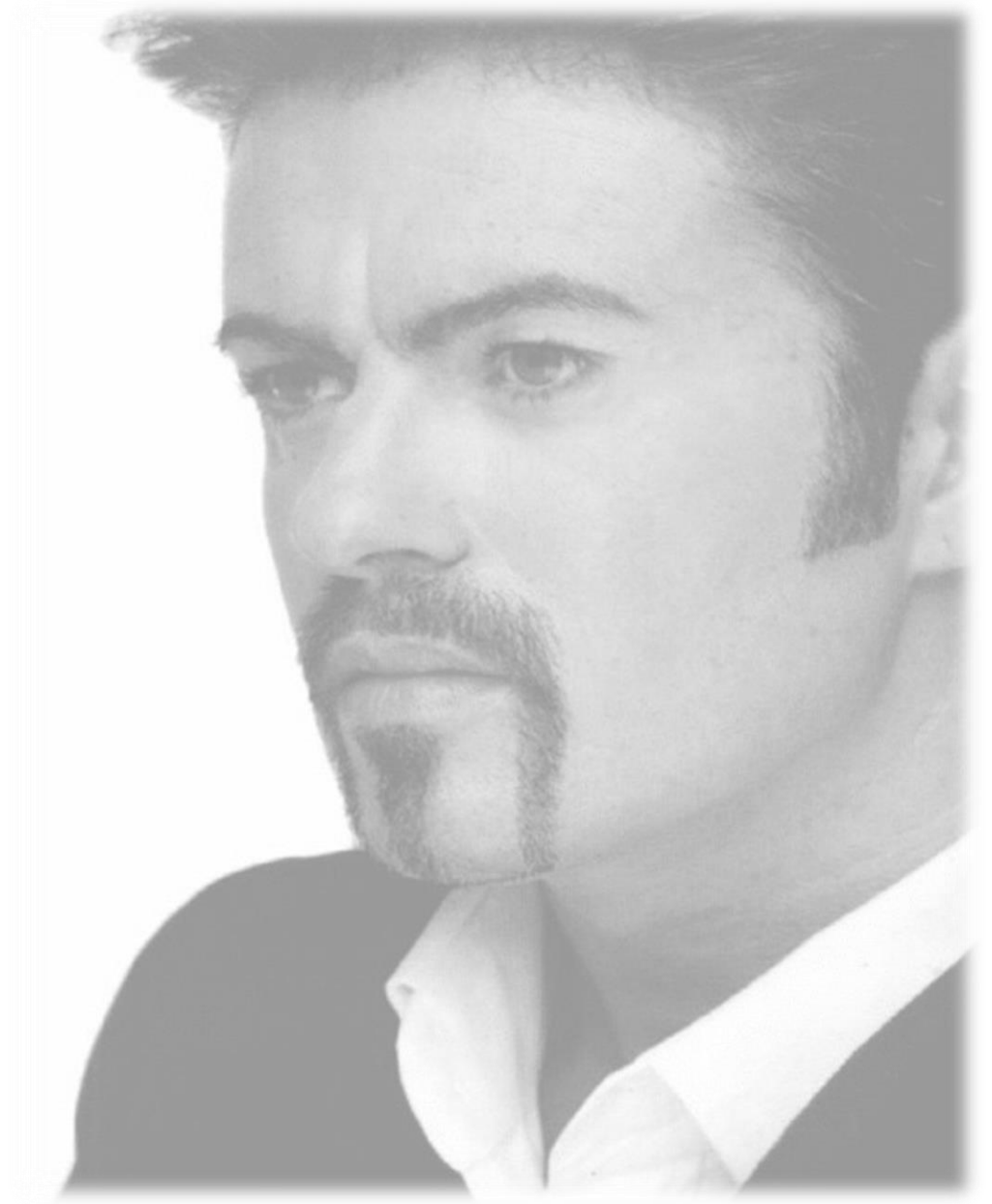


Initial Concept Design

The aim of this proposal is to put forward an initial concept design for the sculpture incorporating the criteria provided.

Naturally this visualisation should be considered as a starting point and Andrew will be delighted to collaborate with the Project Committee members to develop a sculptural design.

Andrew's prerogative as a sculptor is to create a stunning work of art that captures the essence of George Michael, that will delight the local people, family, friends and fans of this iconic musician.



The Sculpture – Concept design

The life-size sculpture would be cast in bronze – the figure of George Michael seated on a sofa or bench as per the 'Patience' album cover, looking towards his cottage by the river.

The choice of seating would be according to the selection committee's preference – for example it could actually be a wooden bench or a bronze cast of one.

Technical Information

The bronze sculpture would have stainless steel fixings in the legs and seat base which would be set into concrete as a standard security measure.

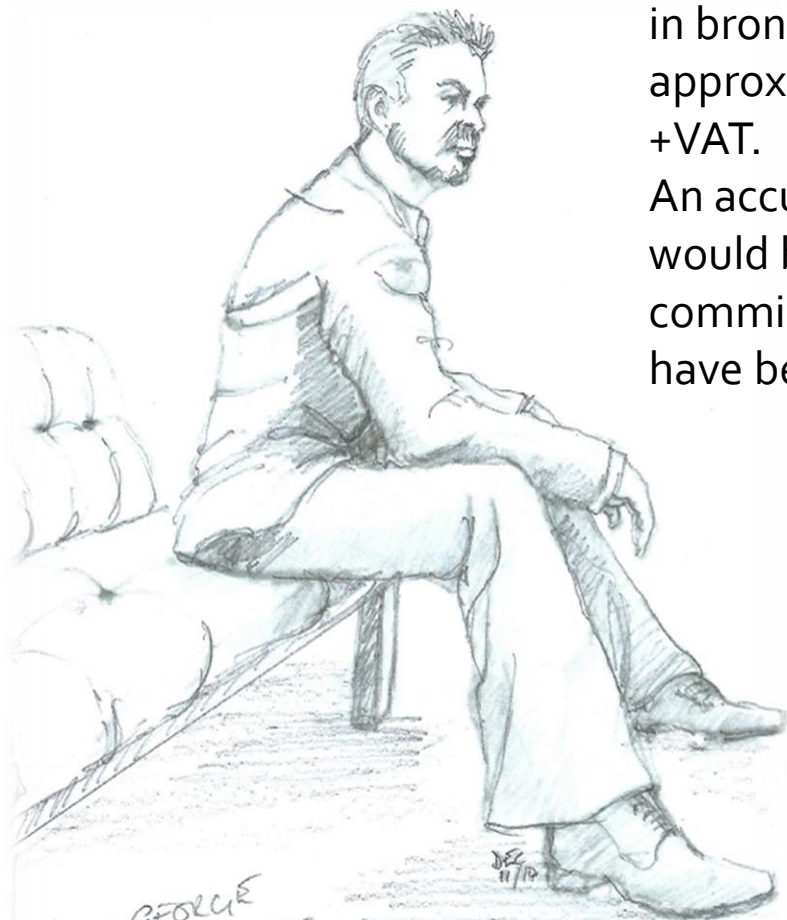
The use of a coloured patina to the bronze finish could add extra visual impact to the composition if desired.



Estimated costs

To sculpt, mould and cast in bronze would be approximately £100,000 +VAT.

An accurate quotation would be supplied once the commission and design have been agreed.



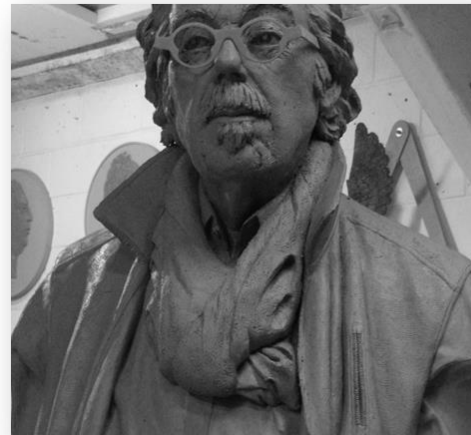
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Fine Attention to Detail

Andrew Sinclair's sculptures are unique in their highly skilled attention to detail. This aspect of his work makes them resonate with life, adding a quality of realism rarely seen in contemporary sculpture today.



Andrew supervising
the moulding
of the David Bowie
life-size sculpture.



Project Management

Andrew, as a sculptor, is very rare in today's sculpture world. His skills and talents extend across every aspect of the sculpture process, from the initial design, the sculpting, moulding and casting, to engineering and installation of the final piece.

You can be completely assured of a professional approach and service throughout the entire project – every facet of your commission will be managed by Andrew and his studio team.

As part of our normal professional practice, client participation is encouraged and commissioners are always welcome to visit the studio to view their sculpture in progress. We are also very happy to supply images of the work process for publicity, blog or website updates.



Commissions

Andrew's latest public commission is a life-size statue of David Bowie for Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire and is due to be unveiled in March 2018.



Commissions



About the Artist – further information

Andrew's first book The Art of Earth & Fire has just been published in July 2017. The impact of his sculptural approach completely transforms the creation of Contemporary Realist sculpture today.

Andrew is the co-founder of The Sculpture School, which attracts students from around the world to learn new techniques and skills from this master sculptor.

Client List

Lord & Lady Leicester
Oldham City Council
Mr Christopher Moran (Crosby Hall)
Mr Felix Dennis (Dennis Publishing)
Royal Ascot Racecourse
Mr Lloyd Dorfmann (Travelex)
Lomar Shipping Company
Royal Caribbean Shipping
Company
English Heritage
Mr Tim Rice
Mr Elton John



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Goring-on-Thames Parish Council					
Accounts for payment November 2017					
Payee	Description			Amount	Date Ref
Current Account					
ALCC	Membership subscription	2410		£ 10.00	30/11/2017 BACS209/17
BGG Garden & Tree Care	Litter picking October	3560		£ 345.60	17/11/2017 BACS196/17
C Ratcliff	Salary	2310	£ 1,395.45		
C Ratcliff	Car Allowance	2110	£ 20.00	£ 1,415.45	30/11/2017 BACS213/17
C Fox	Salary	2310		£ 133.00	30/11/2017 BACS212/17
Chaucers Framing	Framing certificates	2300		£ 104.90	02/11/2017 BACS187/17
Chilterns Woodlands Project	Tree survey Rectory Garden	3525		£ 150.00	22/11/2017 BACS207/17
First Line IT	Email link to website	2240		£ 5.94	17/11/2017 BACS197/17
Goring Hardware	Misc Items & Postage	var		£ 29.92	17/11/2017 BACS195/17
Goring Press	Freedom Award	2300		£ 95.00	02/11/2017 BACS189/17
HMRC	PAYE & NI	2310		£ 781.51	30/11/2017 BACS211/17
Jan Mehigan	Presentation Scroll Freedom	2590		£ 325.00	17/11/2017 BACS194/17
J M Krzak	Cleaning	2310		£ 357.54	30/11/2017 BACS214/17
M & C Landscapes	Grass Cutting October	3110		£ 1,424.37	22/11/2017 BACS204/17
M & C Landscapes	Tree works 2016 (late invoice)	6325		£ 1,704.00	02/11/2017 BACS190/17
M & C Landscapes	Grave Digging September	3210		£ 799.68	07/11/2017 BACS188/17
M & C Landscapes	Grave Digging October	3210		£ 799.68	07/11/2017 BACS188/17
Noticeboards Online	Notice Board	3910		£ 142.80	02/11/2017 BACS185/17
Parish Online	GIS Software	2250		£ 91.20	30/11/2017 BACS210/17
Prestige Electrics	Lighting and electrical works	var		£ 334.00	17/11/2017 BACS200/17
Real Knowledge Ltd	Aerial Tree survey and lab analyses	3525		£ 792.00	22/11/2017 BACS206/17
Richard Buxton	Legal Fees - Weir	6350		£ 5,567.40	01/11/2017 BACS186/17
Riverside Catering	Freedom Award	2300		£ 682.00	02/11/2017 BACS191/17
SLCC	Subscription	2410		£ 200.00	22/11/2017 BACS208/17
Stanley Security	Intruder alarm maintenance	2200		£ 151.78	21/11/2017 BACS203/17
SSE	Street Lights Maintenance October	3420		£ 1,033.62	17/11/2017 BACS199/17
Tracy Averies	Gardiner Pavilion - retention payment	6324		£ 5,181.96	10/11/2017 BACS193/17
The Tree Barn	Christmas trees	3330		£ 126.00	16/11/2017 BACS126/17
Direct Debits/Standing Orders					
Biff Bang Pow	Website hosting package monthly fee	2240		£ 26.10	01/11/2017 DD
Castle Water	Water Gardiner Pavilion	2260		£ 106.29	13/11/2017 DD
Castle Water	Water Gardiner Sprinkler	2260		£ 111.57	13/11/2017 DD
Castle Water	Water Sheepcot Pavilion	2260		£ 104.57	13/11/2017 DD
Castle Water	Water OJFS	2260		£ 12.60	13/11/2017 DD
Castle Water	Water WHBG	2260		£ 2.57	22/11/2017 DD
Grundon Waste Management	Collections OJFS Aug-Oct	3560		£ 4.44	20/11/2017 DD
Mainstream Digital	Phone	2240		£ 0.88	14/11/17 DD
NEST	Pension Contributions	2310		£ 35.19	27/11/2017 DD
SODC	Business rates	2290	£ 51.00		
SODC	Business rates	2290	£ 84.00	£ 135.00	01/11/2017 DD
SSE	Electricity - Gardiner Pavilion	2260		£ 35.32	11/11/2017 DD
SSE	Electricity - Sheepcot Pavilion	2260		£ 14.63	11/11/2017 DD
SSE	Gas Sheepcot	2260		£ 10.18	10/11/2017 DD
SSE	Street lights unmetered electricity	3420		£ 330.26	19/11/2017 DD
Talk Talk	Broadband	2240		£ 22.31	09/11/2017 DD
Utility Warehouse	Final bills Gas Gardiner & Sheepcot	2260		£ 2.84	30/11/2017 DD
Neighbourhood Plan					
Goring Village Hall	Consultation Drop In	4903		£ 49.00	02/11/2017 BACS192/17
Community Centre	Consultation Drop In	4903		£ 80.00	17/11/2017 BACS198/17
Goring PCC	Consultation Meetings	4903		£ 99.00	17/11/2017 BACS201/17
Dor 2 Dor	Leaflet delivery	4903		£ 216.00	22/11/2017 BACS202/17
Total:				£ 23,759.26	

Goring-on-Thames Parish Council					
Receipts received November 2017					
From	Description	Code	Date	Ref	Amount
Reeves Memorials	Memorial - Montague	1130	03/11/2017	Inv 1123	£115.52
SSE	Credit on OJFS Electricity	2260	10/11/2017	DC	£0.76
TSB	Bank Interest	1190	09/11/2017	DC	£3.20
Virgo Beauty	Car Parking	1135	09/11/2017	Inv 1121	£620.00
OCC	Primary Schools Cross Country	1143	21/11/2017	Inv 1124	£62.78
Goring Hardware	Car Parking	1135	29/11/2017	Inv 1122	£620.00
Phil Rogers	Donation re memorial bench	1132	30/11/2017	Inv 1125	£605.00
				Total:	£2,027.26

Goring on Thames Parish Council
Monthly Report Bank Account and Reserves Balances

As at: **30 November 2017**

Reconciled Bank Account Balances

Current TSB		£25,374.47
TSB Reserves		£81,326.90
Unpresented Payments		£0.00
Unpresented Receipts		£0.00
VAT Control Account		£4,089.42
Total		£110,790.79

Earmarked Reserves (Capital and Contingency)

Operating Reserve Account	R	£50,000.00
Rectory Garden	R	£1,000.00
Ferry Lane Riverbank Repairs	R	£0.00
Ferry Lane Fence	R	£750.00
Tree Purchase and Replacement	R	£11,080.00
Playground Equipment	C	£11,267.00
Weir Legal Fees	R	£1,082.40

Total Revenue Reserves £63,912.40

Total Capital Reserves £11,267.00

Total Reserves **£75,179.40**

General Funds Available **£35,611.39**

Risk assessment during the financial year 2017-18

RISK IDENTIFICATION – INSURANCE COVER

- a) Council assets are fully insured and all insurances are re-assessed annually on receipt of insurance policy renewal.
- b) Adequately covered by £10m public and £10m employer's liability.
- c) Adequately covered by £500,000 fidelity guarantee.
- d) Risks to the council's buildings and contents property are covered by current insurance. Noting that street lamps or seats are not insured for accidental damage but are covered for public liability issues.

INTERNAL CONTROLS

- a) Updated and complete register of assets contained within the accounts package each year.
- b) Regular inspection by the clerk of all council owned property is carried out and recorded. If any concerns are found they will be reported to the Council.
- c) Review of risks and cover carried out annually
- d) Insurance provided by AXA Insurance via Came and Company, specialist providers of cover for Town and Parish councils

INTERNAL AUDIT ASSURANCE

- a) All necessary reviews completed by the internal auditor including a written report to council.
- b) The advice of the council's internal auditor is formally considered by full Council.
- c) The effectiveness of the internal audit is reviewed annually by the council, in accordance with the requirements of the current Accounts and Audit Regulations.

RISK IDENTIFICATION – SERVICES PROVIDED BY EXTERNAL PROVIDERS

- a) Security: council office security provided by Stanley Security Services; building has an alarm system. All buildings have key controls in place and records of any keys issued are recorded.
- b) All buildings and equipment regularly checked by the Clerk. Security system, fire extinguishers, gas appliances and portable electrical equipment are all professionally inspected and reported on each year with repairs carried out in accordance with recommendations.
- c) Agency agreements held with Oxfordshire County Council and South Oxfordshire District Council are dealt with on an annual basis; also performance against contracts with grounds maintenance companies is regularly checked and contracts are re-tendered every three years.
- d) Banking arrangements are strictly managed. No borrowing or lending applies at this time.

INTERNAL CONTROLS

- a) Standing orders and direct debits are reviewed on a regular basis.
- b) Performance of major suppliers is monitored and if any issues arise these are reported to the Council.
- c) Contracts are reviewed and re-tendered at regular intervals.
- d) Expenditure and income are monitored continually against budget and performance reported quarterly to council.
- e) All procurements / investments are dealt with as prescribed by standing orders.
- f) Detection / fraud prevention / corruption prevention are in place ie, all payments are authorised and receipts monitored by council.
- g) All bank accounts are reconciled on a monthly basis.

RISK IDENTIFICATION – BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

- a) Approved accounting package is used.
- b) All activities carried out are within legal powers and responsibilities.
- c) All payroll transactions comply with HMRC (Inland Revenue) regulations and calculations are made using computer software supplied by HMRC. Annual returns are made online.
- d) All Vat payments and reclaims comply with HMRC (Customs & Excise) regulations and are scrutinised by internal auditor.
- e) The annual precept is controlled by strict budgeting.
- f) All minutes are timely and accurate in reporting council business.
- g) The council complies with current Freedom of Information legislation and the Data Protection Act by following the guide lines issued.
- h) All complaints and enquiries are responded to as soon as possible.
- i) Adequate document control is provided by safely storing information using the safe and strict controls over the computer.
- j) The burial register is complete and accurate and will be kept up to date using dedicated computer software.
- k) The council's obligations to conform to disabled access and health and safety legislation with regard to its properties and plans will be prepared with professional advice as required to comply with the legislation.
- l) Playground equipment is inspected annually by suitably qualified consultants and repairs carried out as necessary.
- m) Measures have been implemented to minimise the risks and costs of criminal damage to the council's properties.
- n) The clerk continually reviews the council's obligations under trust deeds and covenants taking into account the following:-
 - occupier's liability legislation and the
 - duty of care under common law

The Council has taken steps to ensure that funds will be available to meet the maintenance of boundaries, fences, trees, hedges, and the River Bank at the end of Ferry Lane.

INTERNAL CONTROLS

Internal controls are carried out on a regular basis, either monthly or quarterly or semi-annually and reports are presented to the Council.

Master copies of all Full Council minutes are stored in a locked safe or cabinets. Additionally, all minutes since March 2008 are stored on the website server, which is held remote from the council office. Electronic copies are backed up regularly.

All deeds of land owned or controlled by the council, and all leases, are stored in a fire-proof safe.

Members' declarations of interest etc. are filed and updated when necessary and Adoption of codes etc. are dealt with as a matter of course.

CONCLUSION

The clerk to the council has examined the above items in detail. There appears to be no additional risks to the council compared with earlier assessments.

Colin Ratcliff
5 December 2017

Risk assessment and management (financial) for the period 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018.**Income**

Topic	Risk Identified	Risk Level H/M/L	Management of Risk	Staff action	Internal Audit Checks (Every)
Precept	Not submitted	L	Full PC Minute – RFO follow up	Diary	12 months
	Not paid by DC	L	Check & Report To PC.	Diary	12 months
	Adequacy of precept	H	Monthly review of budget to actual	Diary	12 months
Charges – Cemetery	Grave allocation	M	Burial Register update regularly	Ensure	12 months
	Invoices to undertakers	M	Check to register for suppression		12 months
	Memorial fees	M	Request to invoice	Number issued	12 months
Grants – Lottery	Claims procedure	M	Clerk/RFO check quarterly		12 months
	Receipt of grant when due	M	Check & Report to PC.	Diary	12 months
Grants – District	Claims procedure	L	Clerk/RFO check quarterly		12 months
	Receipt of grant when due	M	Check & Report to PC.	Diary	12 months
T I C – Grant	Claims procedure	M	Clerk/RFO check quarterly	Diary	12 months
	Receipt of grant when due	M	Check & Report to PC.		12 months
Investment Income	Receipt when due	L		Diary	12 months
	Investment Policy	L	Review policy annually	Diary	24 months
	Surplus funds	L	Review policy annually		24 months

Risk assessment and management (financial) for the period 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018**Expenditure**

Topic	Risk Identified	Risk Level	Management of Risk	Staff action	Internal Audit Checks (Every)
Salaries	Wrong salary paid	M	Check to minute	Member verify	12 months
	Wrong hours paid	M	Check to timesheet/contract	Member verify	12 months
	Wrong rate pay	M	Check to contract	Member verify	12 months
	False employee	L	Check to PAYE Records & lists	Member verify	12 months
	Wrong deductions – NI	M	Check to PAYE Calcs	Member verify	12 months
	Wrong deductions – Income tax	M	Check to PAYE Calcs	Member verify	12 months
	Self-employed status challenged	M	Agree with Inland Revenue self-employed status	Obtain letter from Inland Revenue and	12 months
Direct Costs and overhead expenses	Goods not supplied to TC	M	Order system	Approval check	12 months
	Invoice incorrectly calculated	L	Check arithmetic	Approval check	12 months
	Cheque payable is excessive	M	Signatory initials etc Stub & Voucher	Member verify	6 months
	Cheque payable to wrong party	M	Signatory initials etc Stub & Voucher	Member verify	6 months
	Stock loss	H	Point of sale info and control	Reconcile to Stock	6 months
Cllrs Allowances	Cllr overpaid	M	Claim form & minute	RFO verify	6 months
	Income tax deduction	M	Check to PAYE Records & lists	RFO verify	6 months
Grants & support	Power to pay	M	Minute power	Member verify	12 months
	Agreement of Council to pay	L	Minute	Member verify	12 months
	Conditions agreed	L	Use reasonable condition	RFO check	12 months
	Cheque & voucher	M	Signatory initials etc Stub & Voucher	Member verify	12 months
	Follow up verification	M	RFO check and consider budget	RFO verify	12 months
Election Costs	Invoice at agreed rate	L	RFO check and consider budget	RFO verify	Whenever

From: Sue Fung
Sent: 10 November 2017 11:18
To: Clerk

Subject: VILLAGE SIGN ON ICKNIELD ROAD

Dear Colin,

At a committee meeting of the Twinning Association last night it was brought up again about the mistake on the village sign at the top of Icknield Road. It should read Bellême , with a circumflex ^ over the second e. As you can see from the attached photo, at present it is wrongly spelt as Billeme with an i instead of the first e, and has the wrong accent over the second e.

This matter was mentioned to your predecessor about 3 years ago. We were so pleased to have the Twinning shown on our signs and would be really grateful to have it shown correctly.

I understand there is a full Council meeting coming up on Monday. Could you please add this to the Agenda, perhaps under correspondence or wherever appropriate and let me what decision the Councillors reach.

Yours sincerely,

Sue (Fung)

SECRETARY

GORING AND DISTRICT TWINNING ASSOCIATION



From: Simon Hannigan
Sent: 06 November 2017 21:50
To: Clerk
Subject: Goring Robins Questions relating to Sheepcot

Hi Colin,

Hope you are well. We had our monthly managers meeting this evening and had a couple of questions/points that we wanted to run by you.

1. The large 11v11 pitch has developed a significant dip and lack of actual grass in the goal mouth area. Is there an opportunity to get this re-turfed at the end of the season so that it has an opportunity to sort itself out over the summer. Thought it would be best to raise this now so it could be planned properly from your end.
2. We were thinking that it would be great if we could improve look of the pavilion and as such we wondered what the councils view on a permanent sign being place on the building that gave details of the organisations that use the facilities and the tea hut opening times etc.
3. Finally we are considering making an investment in some mobile lighting so that Sheepcot can be used for early evening training rather than the club having to continually having to pay significant amount of limited funds to external organisations. As I understand it the club did have a similar set up a number of years ago with a diesel generator set up without any concerns from the council. Obviously this would be a significant investment for the club and we would want to make sure that the current view on usage was in line with the previous view prior to making a purchase. We are relooking at this as there has been improvements in the technology that means that the lighting battery operated thus eliminating the noise and need for fuel etc...

If you could let me know your thoughts that would be great, also feel free to give me a ring if you want to discuss further.

Cheers

Simon Hannigan
Goring Robins
Facilities Co-Ordinator

From: Clerk [mailto:clerk@goringpc.org]
Sent: 15 November 2017 08:51
To: Lawrie Reavill ; james forder ; Simon Hannigan ; David Smart
Subject: FW: FW: Goring Robins Questions relating to Sheepcot

Dear all,

See below:

1. Similar works at Gardiner Recreation Ground are now all done by the Cricket Club and Goring United. We no longer pay for the soil or grass seed as that is all done by them as it is repair to damage caused. If the work is to be paid for by GPC I have nothing in the budget to cover it and a costed bid would need to be made to Council to try and find the money from elsewhere.

2. Can I clarify if Robins are just seeking permission (which might be easily obtained) or seeking funds as well - which I currently have no budget for until next April.

3. Added to the December council agenda.

Regards,
Colin.

On 15 November 2017 at 19:25,
Simon Hannigan wrote:

Hi Colin, Lawrie,

To clarify concern prior to your discussion at the December meeting, the floodlit system we are considering is battery powered so there wouldn't be any noise generated by the floodlights and as such would not represent a noise issue. If the topic is under discussion at the Parish Council meeting are we permitted to send a representative to provide input to the conversation?

If so would you be able to send the details regarding date, timing and location of the parish council meeting?

Kind Regards
Simon Hannigan

From: Lawrence Reavill

Sent: 15 November 2017 21:52

To: Clerk

Subject: Re: FW: Goring Robins Questions relating to Sheepcot

Hi Colin,

Perhaps we should tell Simon that there is always an opportunity for members of the community to address the Council at the start of the monthly meetings, and that comments from local organizations such as the Robins are particularly welcome. Also, the Council is

much more receptive to proposals that are clearly defined, with costs, responsibility, etc. If he cares to put a proposal together, we can discuss it, and it could be considered with my monthly report on Recreation issues.

Lawrie

From: Clerk [mailto:clerk@goringpc.org]
Sent: 16 November 2017 10:01
To: Simon Hannigan Cc: james forder David Smart
Subject: FW: FW: Goring Robins Questions relating to Sheepcot

Dear Simon,

See Lawrie's comments below - the meeting is Monday 11 December, 1930 at The Bellême Room, Village Hall - always welcome.

If you have any further info - costs, responsibility - exact requirements etc it would help me greatly to have something on paper to forward to them in advance.

Sorry to be a pain - my own biggest problem is always the cash as I can't spend anything unless they have specifically approved it and the money is in the budget!

Thanks,

Colin.

From: Simon Hannigan
Sent: 21 November 2017 13:47
To: Clerk cc: 'james forder'; 'David Smart'
Subject: RE: FW: Goring Robins Questions relating to Sheepcot

Hi Colin,

I will see if one of my colleagues is able to attend. However I will endeavour to provide a proposal for the council irrespective of our attendance.

Cheers

Simon

NB – No report received by the deadline for this meeting.

CR.