

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GORING ON THAMES PARISH COUNCIL
Bellême Room, Goring Village Hall 7:30 pm Monday 10th September 2018

Members Present:

Chairman	Kevin Bulmer (KB)
Members	Debbie Gee (DG) Emrhys Barrell (EB) Mary Bulmer (MBu) Bryan Urbick (BU) Lawrie Reavill (LR) Matthew Brown (MBr)

Officers Present:

Assistant Clerk	Mike Ward (MW)
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3 members of the public

18/161 To receive apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were received from John Wills (JW), Catherine Hall (CH) and David Brooker (DB)

18/162 To receive any declarations of interests

None

18/163 Public Forum

John Boler requested that the Council put pressure on OCC to take action concerning the widening of the Wallingford Road pavement on the approach to the railway station. Copies of all the relevant reports have been sent to the Council. KB hoping for a reply from the OCC officer concerned by the end of the week and will follow it up.

18/164 To approve minutes of the meeting held on 8th August 2018.

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

18/165 Matters arising from those minutes not elsewhere on the agenda.

Resolved: That the Council should send a formal letter of thanks to MIGGS for producing and publishing the 'Accessible by Train' leaflet.

18/166 To receive chairman's report and announcements.

Nothing to report.

18/167 To hear a presentation from Leigh Abbott, Community Engagement Coordinator regarding The Streatley with Goring Dementia Action Forum.

Unfortunately Leigh was unable to attend so the presentation did not take place.

18/168 To receive a report on the Neighbourhood Plan.

Nothing to report.

18/169 To receive a report on the NP Strategic Project for Goring CE Primary School

Nothing to report.

18/170 To receive a report on the NP Strategic Project for traffic management, parking and pedestrian safety in the village centre

Appendix A was noted.

Signed:

K. Bulmer

Dated: 8 October 2018

- 18/171 To note a report from County Councillor / District Councillor Kevin Bulmer.**
These reports were circulated by email before the meeting and were duly noted.
- 18/172 To receive a report from the Police**
No report received.
- 18/173 To receive a report on Recreation Grounds issues, including a proposal on The Rectory Garden.**
Appendix B refers. It was noted that a proposal should be put forward at the next meeting for the Sheepcot Pavilion to be refurbished. Usage has increased greatly: LR has asked Sports Clubs for estimated numbers. BU advised LR that specific needs must be identified if they are to be included in the budget that is about to be prepared.
Resolved: That the proposals for changes to the Rectory Garden were accepted in principle. Detailed plans and budget proposals would be brought forward separately.
- 18/174 To receive a report on White Hill Burial Ground issues**
Nothing to report.
- 18/175 To consider a report regarding planned events in the village (inc GM issues).**
The Village Consultation (survey) for George Michael future events is being drafted; It is hoped that the consultation will be completed by the end of November
- 18/176 Parish Finance:**
- 1 To approve payments for August 2018**
Resolved: That the payments be approved
 - 2 To note receipts for August 2018**
Noted
 - 3 To note the bank account and reserves balances as at 31 August 2018**
Noted
 - 4 To consider if renewal insurance cover is appropriate (year 2 of 3-year agreement) as detailed in attached schedule**
Resolved: That the cover be renewed as per the schedule in Appendix F
 - 5 To consider an increase to the Playground Equipment Maintenance budget of £137 to cover recent urgent expenditure**
Resolved: That the budget be increased accordingly.
 - 6 To consider the re-appointment of Arrow Accounting as the Council's Internal Auditor for 2018-19 and whether a visit is required**
Resolved: That Arrow Accounting be re-appointed, and that a visit should only be arranged if CR or MW consider it necessary
- 18/177 To consider an update on Freedom of Information issues**
It was noted that the Council has responded to a Freedom of Information Commissioner's enquiry.
- 18/178 Reports from Planning Committee – to receive minutes of the meeting held on 24th July 2018 and to consider a report on Affordable Housing**
Received and noted.
Resolved: That a letter be written to SODC stating that the Council requests that affordable homes be built rather than payment in lieu.

18/179 Correspondence

1 To consider a request for a discount on burial ground fees

Resolved: That the fees applicable to a Goring resident would be charged in this case.

18/180 Matters for future discussion

None

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7:51 pm.

Abbreviations (where used):

GGN	Goring Gap News
GM	George Michael
GPC	Goring on Thames Parish Council
MIGGS	Mobility Issues Group for Goring and Streatley
NP	Neighbourhood Plan
NPSG	Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
NWR	Network Rail
OCC	Oxfordshire County Council
SODC	South Oxfordshire District Council
TVP	Thames Valley Police