

MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF GORING ON THAMES PARISH COUNCIL
Old Jubilee Fire Station, Red Cross Road, Goring 10:30 am Thursday 22nd November 2018

Members Present:

Chairman	Kevin Bulmer (KB)
Vice Chairman	John Wills (JW)
Members	Matthew Brown (MBr)
	David Brooker (DB)
	Bryan Urbick (BU)

Officers Present:

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

18/221 To receive apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Debbie Gee (DG), Mary Bulmer (MBu), Lawrie Reavill (LR) and Catherine Hall (CH)

18/222 To receive any declarations of interests

None

18/223 Public Forum

Stephanie Bridle requested clarification of the background leading to holding the meeting. KB explained the reason for it.

18/224 To consider a proposal to withdraw the council's appeal to the First-Tier Tribunal (case reference EA/2018/0220) regarding the Information Commissioner's Decision Notice FER0689234.

Following much discussion and although the members felt that the Information Commissioner's Decision Notice was contradictory and problematic for a small local council relying on volunteers, by majority vote it was decided that the appeal be withdrawn but would be pursued by other means, including directly with the Information Commissioner, local MP John Howell and the National Association of Local Councils (NALC).

Resolved: That the appeal be withdrawn.

There being no other business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 11:20 am.