

Minutes of a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the Goring-on-Thames Parish Council Monday 17th June 2024 at 18.00 at Gardiner Pavilion, Upper Red Cross Road Goring RG8 9BD

All Councillors who are members of the committee are summoned to attend the meeting.

Members of the public and press are invited to attend all meetings of the council and its committees.

(Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960)

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Public Session - Prior to the Start of the Meeting

None present

Members Present:

Cllr J Emerson (JE)
Cllr N Mallen (NM)
Cllr R Williamson (RW)

Officers Present:

Clerk Sarah Edmunds (SE)

Public and Press: None present.

Meeting started 18:05

24.09.1. To receive apologies for absence (LGA 1972 s85(1))

Cllr M Stares gave his apologies for absence

24.09.2. Declarations of Interests (LA 2011 s31)

Members to declare any interests, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interest they may have in agenda items

None declared

24.09.3. To consider requests for Dispensations [LA 2011 s33]

None declared

24.09.4. To approve minutes of the meeting of 21st May 2024

Resolved: Unanimously Approved & signed



24.09.5. To approve the expenditure list 1-31st May 2024 Appendix A

Resolved: Unanimously Approved

24.09.6. To note income 1-31st May 2024 Appendix B

Noted

24.09.7. To note the reconciled bank accounts as at 31st May 2024 Appendix C

Noted

24.09.8. To receive updates from the previous meeting's "items on the next agenda" action list including savings account options & updates

Action List

24.09.9. To consider the finance implications of Committee and Working Group recommendations and forward to Full Council for approval where appropriate

None submitted

24.09.10. To approve budget virements and movements between EMR & expenditure budgets

Resolved: Unanimously approved to review at the end of the first quarter (May-June)

24.09.11. Items for the next agenda

CiL Review

24.09.12. To confirm the time and date of the/ next meeting: 15th July 2024

Meeting closed 18:41

Action Number	Title	Current Status	Status	Action Owner	Origin in Agenda / Minutes	Notes
202306	Asset Register	Compare version at July meeting to Excel register	Ongoing	JE	Jul 2023 FinC meeting	
202311	Asset Register	Check updated Asset Register	Ongoing	Members	2023-05-23 FinC minute 23.03.11	Asset Register reconciliation commenced 16 October. All assets will be identified, photographed, what3words location and marked
202312	Asset Register	Update Scribe - add date of acquisition.	Ongoing	Council officers	2023-05-23 FinC minute 23.03.11.1	Work in progress
202313	Asset Register	old items need to come off & revisit the list to get breakdown on the historic £5k lii	Ongoing	Council Officers	2023-05-23 FinC minute 23.03.11.2	Work in progress
202315	Asset Register	Breakdown into a list of items held at nominal value and others.	Ongoing	Council Officers	2023-05-23 FinC minute 23.03.11.4	Work in progress
202317	Asset Register	check Sheepcot gates are not duplicated,	Ongoing	Council Officers	2023-05-23 FinC minute 23.03.11.6	21.11.23 All gates being checked by Facilities to confirm which is which
202401	Asset Register	Merge Roger's photos & what3words locations into Asset Register	Ongoing	JE	Mar 23 FinC mtg	Work in progress
202403	Asset Register	Review Asset Register for Annual Accunts returm	Ongoing	RFO and Finance Committee	Mar 23 FinC mtg	no change made post dismissal of the objection by the external auditor
202308	Internal Audit report	Monitor website	Ongoing	JE	2023-05-23 FinC minute 23.03.10.6	updated June 2024 following advice from Internal Auditor
202333	Reserves account	Ensure amount in reserves account matches the budgeted reserves	Ongoing	Council Officers	2023-08-08 Fin C	end May TSB reserve £171014.64, Unity £185,000.00 (85+100 across two accounts)Total £356,014.64. EMR £383,924.04 on 10/06/2024
202323	TSB Bank access	Setup TSB account access for FinC to approve payment	Ongoing	Council Officers	2023-05-23 FinC minute 23.03.12.4	Mandate accepted and 2 Cllrs on line. Dual authorisation instruction is not yet implemented by TSB.
202405-1	Investments	Transfer £85,000 from Unity Trust instant access (2.77%) to a Unity Trust 12-month Fixed term deposit account (4.85%).	Ongoing	RFO & FC	Investment Strategy	*COMPLETED* 31/05/2024
202405-2	Investments	Transfer £85,000 from Unity instant access account to a Redwood Bank 95-day business savings account (4.55%).	Ongoing	RFO & FC	Investment Strategy	*COMPLETED* 09/06/2024
202405-3	Investments	Transfer £15,000 from Unity instant access account to a 6-month account with Lloyds (3.5%)	Ongoing	RFO & FC	Investment Strategy	Different provider to be sought
202405-4	Investments	Transfer £70,000 from TSB deposit account to 6-month account with Lloyds (3.5%)	Ongoing	RFO & FC	Investment Strategy	Different provider to be sought
202405-5	Investments	Transfer £44,375 from TSB to Cambridge Building Society Council saver (2.9%)	Ongoing	RFO & FC	Investment Strategy	opening in progress, further ID checks requested by CBS
202405-6	Investments	Identify an account to receive a transfer £85,000 to from TSB	Ongoing	RFO & FC	Investment Strategy	Need to identify and open account first
202405-7	Investments	Maintain at least £28k (~1/6 of precept) in the 0% TSB current account and the balance kept in the 1.49% TSB reserve account.	Ongoing	RFO & FC	Investment Strategy	ongoing
202405-8	Reserves	Transfer £43,000 transfer between "345 EMR Community Infrastructure Levy" and "348 EMR CIL Playground equipment"	Ongoing	RFO & FC	Full Council 25.2	approved 08.04.24 Full Council- approve up to £500 for pre- application