

Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning Committee of the Goring-on-Thames Parish Council

Tuesday 23rd July 2024 at 19.30, Gardiner Pavilion

Members Present: Cllr M Stares (Chair)

Cllr J Emerson (Vice-Chair)

Cllr R Williamson Cllr B Newman Cllr S Lofthouse

Officers Present:

Assistant Clerk Mr M Harper

Public and Press:

6 Members of the Public

Public Session - Prior to the Start of the Meeting.

Two MoPs spoke about application P22/S2363/FUL. MoP 1 supported the application. MoP 2 objected to it. While welcoming the reduction in the size of the houses, they would overlook properties opposite; rather than following the curve of Wallingford Road they should be aligned with the neighbouring houses on the same side; plot no. 1 was too close to no. 86 Wallingford Road and the proposed screening was inadequate; the driveway access for no. 67 was directly opposite the proposed access to the site and would be unsafe. Overall, two houses would be preferred rather than three.

Meeting started 19.45.

24.16.1. To receive apologies for absence and substitutions.

Cllr S Bridle.

24.16.2. Declarations of Interest

24.16.2.1. To receive declarations of interest.

None

24.16.2.2. To consider requests for dispensations

None.

24.16.3. To approve the minutes of previous committee meetings.

24.16.3.1. Meeting held on 9th July 2024.

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It was agreed the minutes were an accurate record of the meeting subject to correcting the status of the Manor Road development referred to in the record of the public session. The correction was made and they were duly signed.

24.16.4. To consider applications and approve response to the planning authority.

24.16.4.1. P24/S1201/HH Crossways Manor Road Goring RG8 9DT

Removal of existing gate and remnant rear boundary fence. Replacement with timber gate and lapped boarding fence. Refurbishment of parking area and access path within the property.

Resolved: Approved unanimously to submit the response: **No Objection**.

24.16.5. To consider amendments to applications and approve a response to the planning authority

24.16.5.1. P22/S2363/FUL Land off Wallingford Road Goring RG8 OHL

Erection of three detached houses (amended plans and supporting information to change design received 20 June 2024).

Cllr Stares introduced an information note identifying the changes in the current application from that previously considered. These changes broadly reflected the Parish Council's response to the previous application and were acceptable. In discussion, the location and orientation of the houses and their distance from the road were considered acceptable. Detailed matters in respect of screening, overlooking and sight lines could be dealt with by conditions. The existing path should be closed off as stated in the Design and Access statement. Issues previously raised by the Council were dealt with. The issue of affordable housing provision and CIL payments needed to be brought to the Planning Officer's attention as this site should be considered as one with GNP6 for that purpose.

Resolved: Approved unanimously to submit the response: **No Objection** but to attach the note and draw attention to points 1 and 2 at the end and support the recommendations of the Landscape Officer including in respect of the staggering of roof heights.

24.16.5.2. P24/S1788/FUL Battle Farm Elvendon Road Goring RG8 OLP

Restore and adapt the existing farm buildings on the site, converting the buildings into on 3-bedroom, and two 4-bedroom dwellings with associated landscaping and parking. (Additional information received 12 July 2024)

No response required – see 24.16.6.1.

24.16.6. To note amendments to applications

The following was noted:

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24.16.7. To note planning authority decisions on applications.

The following were noted:

24.16.7.1. P24/S1605/HH The Mill Cottage Lock Approach Goring RG8 9AD

GRANTED

Front entrance extension (Amendment to previously approved extension).

GPC Response: No objection.

24.16.7.2 P24/S1620/HH Riverside Stores, Riverside Flat High Street Goring RG8 9AB

GRANTED

Formation of habitable rooms in roofspace with six dormers to front and rear.

GPC Response : No Objection.

24.16.8. To approve a revised Planning Informative

The current Planning Informative was attached at Appendix B and a revised version at Appendix A. The revised version was approved subject to the inclusion of "where possible and especially at peak times" before "when entering or leaving Goring" in the fifth bullet point.

24.16.9. To consider correspondence received.

The Planning Officer responsible for application P24/S1136/FUL had asked the Committee to indicate if they would be content for the decision to be made by her under her delegated powers in view of her opinion that the application should be allowed after considering the response from the Parish Council.

Resolved unanimously to respond that the Parish Council maintains its objection on the grounds that the development is overbearing, and the design is out of keeping with the older properties surrounding it. The roof should be of clay tiles and not slate and the design of the eaves should be in keeping with that of neighbouring properties. The Assistant Clerk to draft a letter accordingly for the approval of the Committee.

24.16.10. To confirm the date of the next meeting – Tuesday 13th August 2024. Confirmed.

There being no further business to be transacted, the Chair closed the meeting at 20.40.

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