



GORING-ON-THAMES PARISH COUNCIL

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

Monday 8th July 2024 at 19:30 Gardiner Pavilion, Upper Red Cross Road, Goring RG8 9BD

All Councillors are summoned to a Meeting of Goring-on-Thames Parish Council.

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

(Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960)

Public Session – Prior to the Start of the Meeting

John Boler attended to speak about the dropped kerb at the station on Gatehampton Road and the orientation plaque

Members Present:

Chair	Cllr S Lofthouse (SL)
Members	Cllr T Thurston (TT)
	Cllr S Bridle (SB)
	Cllr B Newman (BN)
	Cllr R Williamson (RW)
	Cllr N Mallen (NM)
	Cllr M Stares (MS)
	Cllr J Emerson (JE)

Officers Present:

Clerk	S Edmunds (SE)
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Public and Press: at least 1 member of public

Meeting started 19:30

24.12.1. To receive apologies for absence. [LGA 1972 s85(1)]

None

24.12.2. To Receive any Declarations of Interests for items on this agenda [LA 2011 s31]

Members to declare any interests, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interest they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Parish Council's Code of Conduct. (NB this does not preclude any later declarations)

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

24.12.3. . To note the resignation of Cllr A Smith

Noted and he was thanked for his numerous undertakings during his time at the Council.

24.12.4. Vacant Seat (LGA 1972 s89(6))

24.12.4.1. To note the Council has 2 vacant seats, one is available to be filled through co-option

24.12.4.2. To hear representations from anyone wishing to be co-opted to the council and approve co-opting the new Councillor to fill the vacant seat.

24.12.4.3. To receive declarations of acceptance of office from any co-opted Councillor. To be countersigned by the Clerk

Resolved: no candidates came forwards.

24.12.5. To approve the minutes of previous council meetings [LA 1972 Sch 12. Para 41(1)]

24.12.5.1. Meeting held on 10th June 2024

Resolved unanimously approved

24.12.5.2. Matters arising from the minutes not elsewhere on the agenda.

No matters arising

24.12.6. To review the Active List progress and update

Full Council Active List

24.12.7. To Receive Minutes of Committees

24.12.7.1. Finance Committee

- Meeting Dated 21st May 2024

Appendix A

24.12.7.2. Planning Committee

- Meeting Dated 23rd April 2024
- Meeting Dated 14th May 2024
- Meeting Dated 28th May 2024

Appendix B

Appendix C

Appendix D

24.12.7.3. Traffic Management and Pedestrian Safety Committee

- Meeting Dated 16th April 2024
- Meeting Dated 21st May 2024

Appendix E

Appendix F

Resolved: Unanimously Received all minutes

24.12.8. To receive reports from each of the Committees, Working Groups or Village Liaisons: C-WG-VL-List

Where possible they should provide a written report and/or action list in advance of the meeting as per standing orders.

24.12.8.1. To receive an update from TMPPS

Appendix G

For budgeting JE suggested £511.17 from Ear Marked Reserve 350 Pedestrian Safety (which will use it up) and the balance from 349 Cil Traffic calming

Resolved: Unanimously approved additional cost of dropped kerb

24.12.8.2. To receive an update from Playgrounds Working Group

Appendix H

Verbal Report: the paperwork has gone through for the grant, endorsed by MFP, next stage is formal tender, explore the Government procurement / contract finder. The Full Council will need to approve the content of any tender before it can be sent out.

24.12.8.3. To receive the Village Environment Working Group Action List EWG Action ListV19

Received and noted with thanks for graffiti removed by Goring In Bloom re-painting the bridge.

24.12.8.4. To receive an update from the new council offices

Appendix I

In addition to the written report JE reported the build is continuing and the ceiling goes in next week, signage under discussion, should be finished by the end of August and then fitting out can begin.

Resolved Unanimously approved to sign the lease.

Resolved Unanimously approved the ToR

24.12.11. To approve adding the following to the scope section in the Terms of Reference (ToR) for all Working Groups

24.12.11.1. To keep a written record of the times, places and attendees of each WG meeting, together a brief summary of topics discussed and any resulting actions.

24.12.11.2. To provide a written report of WG activities to full Council at least quarterly.

Resolved Unanimously approved to update the scope section of all the ToRs

24.12.12. To appoint members to Committees / Working Groups / Liaison as required

24.12.13. Clerk Report: The Clerk would like to remind everyone that any concerns or defects should be

reported directly, ideally via email, to ensure they are correctly recorded and actioned appropriately

24.12.13.1. To note the Goring Fishing Club will be using the Ferry Lane access to remove trees washed up against the bank

Risk assessments, insurance and measures to prevent grass damage to be submitted prior to work commencing.

24.12.13.2. To note the contractors have attended Ferry Lane and cut down the Himalayan Balsam

This is year three of a four-year contract, at this stage, it appears this contract should not need extending as there is so little remaining.

Resolved: The two above items were noted

The following items are requested due to the next meeting not being until September and these works should ideally commence ASAP

24.12.13.3. To note the slide at the Bourdillon has been badly vandalised, quotes currently being sought and to approve a budget of £500 should it prove to be repairable. As this is a specialist repair due to it being play equipment.

Resolved : Unanimously approved a budget of £750 to repair the slide from 6100 Playground equipment maintenance.

24.12.13.4. Item 2023-19 from the Council Active List-To approve a budget of £3,000 to replace all six of the Gardiner Pavilion veranda supports which have started to deteriorate.

One quote received, further quotes currently being sought, and delegate to the Clerk to select the best value for money and engage so the work can be completed before the seasons change.

Resolved : Unanimously approved a budget of £3,000 from EMR 415 Public Buildings

24.12.13.5. Item 2023-20 on the Council Active List- To approve a budget of £500 delegated to the Clerk

to enable the Gardiner rectification works to be carried out ASAP subject to multiple quotes being sought

Resolved : Unanimously approved a budget of £500 from the code 6030 general maintenance.

24.12.13.6. To approve the purchase of a pair of replacement litter bins at the Gardiner budget £450
Appendix L

Resolved : Unanimously approved a budget of £750 to purchase 3 Glasdon Topsy Royale Bins in Green & Gold from the code 6150 Street Furniture in seats

24.12.14. Financial Reports as required by Standing order 17c
Appendix M

"The Responsible Financial Officer shall supply to each councillor as soon as practicable after 30 June, 30 September and 31 December in each year a statement to summarise

- i. the Council's income and expenditure for each quarter;*
- ii. the Council's aggregate income and expenditure for the year to date;*
- iii. the balances held at the end of the quarter being reported and which includes a comparison with the budget for the financial year and highlights any actual or potential overspends."*

The Finance Reports were all noted

24.12.15. To note the orientation plaque has been unveiled at the station and ownership of the old one had been passed to the council
Appendix N

The council thanks John Boler, MIGGS, GWR and Mend the Gap for their contribution to make this happen, Whilst the council has received various requests to rehouse the old plaque, its future location has yet to be decided.

Noted , the old plaque will be moved from the station store to the OJFS.

24.12.16. To note reports from District and County Councillors

24.12.16.1. Oxfordshire County Councillor: F Van Mierlo

Appendix O

24.12.16.2. Oxfordshire County Councillor: K Bulmer

Appendix P

~~24.12.16.3.~~ South Oxfordshire District Councillor: M Filipova-Rivers

Appendix Q

No reports were received

24.12.17. Matters for future discussion.

Freedom of the Parish Nominations

24.12.18. To note the date and time of the next meeting Monday 9th September at 19:30

NOTE: Proposals of Motion to be received by the Clerk no later than **30th August**, in accordance with the Standing Orders

Meeting Closed 21:03