



# GORING-ON-THAMES PARISH COUNCIL

## Notice of a Meeting of the Goring-on-Thames Parish Council

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 19:30, Belleme Room, Goring Village Hall**

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)

### **Prior to the start of the meeting; Questions and comments from members of the public (limited to 10 minutes in total)**

*This provides an opportunity for members of the public (who are not usually permitted to speak during the meeting except by special invitation of the Chairman) to participate before the start of the meeting. Members of the public may make only one address to the council of no more than three minutes' duration and only concerning topics on the agenda. No decision can be taken during this session, but the Chairman may decide to refer any matters raised for further consideration.*

## AGENDA

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

### **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)*

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

### **3. Vacant Seat (LGA 1972 s89(6))**

3.1. To note the Council has 1 vacant seat, which is available to be filled through co-option

3.2. To hear representations from any eligible persons wishing to be co-opted to the council and approve co-opting the new Councillor(s) to fill the vacant seat subject to achieving a majority vote from Councillors present.

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

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

4.1. Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2024

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

### **5. To review the Active List progress and update**

**Full Council Active List**

### **6. To Receive Minutes of Committees**

6.1. Finance Committee

- Meeting Dated 23 September 2024

**Appendix A**

6.2. Planning Committee

- Meeting dated 08 October 2024

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6.3. Traffic Management and Pedestrian Safety Committee (TMPPS)

- Meeting Dated 17 September 2024

**Appendix C**

**7. To receive reports from each of the Committees, Working Groups or Village Liaisons:**

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

7.1. To receive an update from TMPPS

**Appendix D**

7.2. To approve the new Places & Assets WG Terms of Reference

**Appendix E**

7.3. To approve the Communication WG Terms of Reference

**Appendix F**

**8. To note the CiL receipts for 2024, published on the website and sent to SODC**

**Appendix G**

*Finance CiL allocated spend 2023-24 £12,870 streetlight replacement. £2280 Mesh reinforcement*

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

9.1. To appoint new members to any vacancies on the attached list

**Appendix H**

**10. To approve the Playgrounds Working Group permission to go out to tender for the Bourdillon playground, working in conjunction with the Clerk**

**Appendix I**

*With a view to evaluating the proposal from suppliers in preparation for making a formal proposal to a future Council meeting.*

**11. To approve the following updated Policies & Documents**

11.1. To approve updated Financial Regulations - 'Financial-Regulations 2024-11-11'

**Appendix J.1&2**

*The National Association of Local Council (NALC) publish model Financial Regulations for local councils. GoTPC's current Financial Regulations-appendix J.1 – at*

*[www.goringparishcouncil.gov.uk/wpcontent/uploads/2023/06/FinancialRegulations\\_2023.pdf](http://www.goringparishcouncil.gov.uk/wpcontent/uploads/2023/06/FinancialRegulations_2023.pdf) are based on NALC 2019 model. As of 8 May 2024 the new NALC 2024 model available at [www.nalc.gov.uk/resource/model-financial-regulations-england.html](http://www.nalc.gov.uk/resource/model-financial-regulations-england.html) and this has now been adapted to GoTPC's situation. The adaptations made are shown in the accompanying appendix J.2 'Financial-Regulations 2024-11-11 Changes from NALC 2024 model'. The most significant advantage to the 2024 version is that it is more tuned to transactions being done digitally without physical signing of cheques. In particular Clauses 6.9, 7.6 describe how GoTPC's payments are now authorised (to be made in the accounting package Scribe) and approved (to be paid from the bank account).*

11.2. To approve the Co-option Policy 2024

**Appendix K**

11.3. To approve the Communications & Media Policy 2024

**Appendix L**

11.4. To approve the Recordings at Meetings Policy 2024

**Appendix M**

**12. To approve the following licences for the Sports Clubs**

12.1. To approve licenses for Goring United and Goring Robins Football Clubs to use the facilities at the Gardiner and Sheepcot. (4 Licenses: Appendices N.1: GUFc-Gardiner-License-2024, N.2:GUFc-Sheepcot-License-2024, N.3:GRFC-Gardiner-License-2024, N.4:GRFC-Sheepcot-License-2024) **Appendices N.1-4**



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- 12.2. To approve a license for Goring Cricket Club to use the facilities at Gardiner subject to the Clerk approving changes to the red text in Table 1 to reflect the Full equipment list to be provided. - GCC-license-2024-awaits-equipment-list **Appendix O**
- 12.3. To approve a license for Goring Gap Croquet & Bowls Club to use the facilities at Gardiner subject to the Clerk approving changes to the red text in Table 1 to reflect where the equipment will be stored. - GCC-license-2024-awaits-equipment-list **Appendix P**

### **13. To approve continuing to support paying 50% of the Readibus costs to the end of the financial year (31 March 2025)**

*This sum of £350 has not increased from last year and is matched by MIGGS*

### **14. Clerk Report: The Clerk would like to remind everyone that any concerns or defects should be reported directly via email at the earliest opportunity.**

- 14.1. To approve a budget of £1k for updating the IT Infrastructure  
*For the immediate purchase of two laptops for the Clerk team.*
- 14.2. To note the NALC/ Local Government Service Pay Agreement from 1st April 2024-31st March 2025 has been approved nationally. **Appendix Q**  
*The value of the scale point has increased. The Council operates an NJC contract, and this is a contractual obligation. Back-pay to 1st April 2023 will be applied to all employed during the applicable period.*
- 14.3. To approve supporting fundraising activity for the Primary School, by waiving the fee to hire Bourdillon for the Goring 10k Race 2025.
- 14.4. To approve a budget of £2k (from 8250 Environmental projects) to cover labour and hire of a small pedestrian sweeper similar to <https://www.nationaltoolhireshops.co.uk/product/medium-pedestrian-floor-sweeper-hire/> for up to three weeks as a trial for the autumn leaf fall.

### **15. To approve the Whitehill Burial Ground business case for the Natural Burial Ground & Costing Structure Proposal** **Appendix R**

### **16. To receive reports:**

- 16.1. Oxfordshire County Councillor: K Bulmer **Appendix S**
- 16.2. South Oxfordshire District Councillor: M Filipova-Rivers **Appendix T**

### **17. Matters for a future agenda**

### **18. To note the date and time of the next meeting Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 19:30**

NOTE: Proposals of Motion to be received by the Clerk no later than **29<sup>th</sup> November**, in accordance with the Standing Orders