



**GORING-ON-THAMES  
PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Traffic Management, Parking & Pedestrian Safety  
Committee of the Goring-on-Thames Parish Council**

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 10.30am, Council Office**

**Members Present:** Cllr Robin Williamson (Chair)  
Cllr Sonia Lofthouse  
Cllr Nick Mallen  
Cllr Toby Thurston

**Officers Present:**  
Assistant Clerk Mike Harper

**Public and Press:**  
One Member of the Public (MoP).

**Public Session – Prior to the Start of the Meeting**

The MoP wished to comment on the draft revised Committee Terms of Reference, specifically in relation to Section 12 of the Goring Neighbourhood Plan (GNP), and accordingly participated in the discussion on agenda item 6.

Meeting Started at 10.35

**24.35.1. To receive apologies for absence and substitutions. (LGA 1972 s85(1))**

None

**24.35.2. Declarations of Interests (LA 2011 s31)**

None

**24.35.3. To consider requests for Dispensations (LA 2011 s33)**

None.

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

24.35.4.1. Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2024.

It was agreed the minutes were an accurate record of the meeting and they were duly signed.



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### **24.35.5. To agree matters to be discussed with the Highways Engagement Team on 4<sup>th</sup> December.**

Councillors Williamson and Thurston will meet the OCC Highways Engagement Team on 4<sup>th</sup> December. They would walk around the village and show what had been done to reduce traffic speed, encourage shared use of footways to encourage active travel, and to improve pedestrian safety. The latter includes the dropped kerb and associated pedestrian priority lane (PPL) opposite the Station and the trial PPL in Station Road where re-surfacing is needed to make it up to the standard for use by pedestrians. Councillors will stress the need for the re-surfacing work to be done as soon as possible and to coincide with the changes to yellow lines in the Village. The need for adequate enforcement of parking restrictions following these changes will be raised together with introducing community speed watch and lorry watch schemes.

### **24.35.6. To consider draft revised terms of reference for the Committee.**

### **Appendix A**

In discussion the following points were made:

- To include Section 12 of the Goring Neighbourhood Plan as an annexe.
- To include a reference to public transport.
- To make the consideration of safety more explicit.
- To bear in mind the needs of horse riders in addition to other users.

The MoP asked that the Committee give priority to Actions 08 and 09 in Section 12 of the GNP. Action 8 (Stopping illegal use of the High Street by Heavy Goods vehicles) had not been implemented. HGVs over 7.5T should only pass through the Village if they needed access within it. The responsibility for enforcement lay with OCC through Trading Standards but there was no evidence that this was being done. Other parishes had formed community lorry watches. In discussion it was agreed to seek advice from Streatley PC who had a lorry watch and to explore with the resident interested in forming a community speed watch if they could extend to being a lorry watch also.

On Action 09, Cllr Thurston would reflect parking requirements in the revised terms of reference. In discussion the possibility of realigning the spaces in the Wheel Orchard Carpark diagonally to create a better use of space was raised. This should be added to the Action List.



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### **24.35.7. To consider draft review of the Committee's progress on meeting its terms of reference.**

#### **Appendix B.**

Cllr Lofthouse will redraft. In discussion the Assistant Clerk suggested that a summary note of actions taken and previously considered for possible action would be helpful. It was agreed that should be prepared.

Action: Assistant Clerk.

### **24.35.8. To agree arrangements for liaising with the Place and Assets working group.**

The Working Group will meet 6 times a year and be chaired by Cllr Thurston; Cllr Williamson will be a member. Liaison would therefore be through the joint membership of the Committee and the Group. It was agreed that if there were matters arising from the Group that needed to be considered by the Committee the Assistant Clerk should be given sufficient notice to include them on the Committee's agenda.

### **24.35.9. To review the Action List and agree any further actions.**

The Action List was reviewed.

### **24.35.10. Matters for future discussion.**

None.

### **24.35. 11. To confirm the date of the next meeting: 17<sup>th</sup> December 2024.**

Confirmed.

There being no further business to be transacted, the Chair closed the meeting at 11.45