

Minutes of a Meeting of the Travel and Transport Committee of the Goring-on-Thames Parish Council

Tuesday 17th December 2024 at 10.30am, Council Office

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

Officers Present:
Assistant Clerk Mike Harper

Public and Press:

None.

Public Session – Prior to the Start of the Meeting

None.

Meeting Started at 10.30am.

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

Cllr Lofthouse

24.46.2. Declarations of Interests (LA 2011 s31)

None

24.46.3. To consider requests for Dispensations (LA 2011 s33)

None.

24.46.4. To approve the minutes of previous committee meetings [LA 1972 Sch 12. Para41(1)]

24.46.4.1. Meeting held on 19th November 2024.

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

24.46.5. To consider the matters raised with the Highways Engagement Team on 4th December and any actions to be taken. Appendix A

In response to the idea of establishing a 'Super Users Group' to report potholes it was agreed that the way to take this forward would be to put an article in the Goring Gap News (GGN) to see if there was sufficient interest from residents in forming a Group. Cllr Thurston had analysed the data from the speed surveys recently completed and suggested contributing this to the GGN. It was agreed that the Chair of the Communications Committee should advise on the timing and content of contributions to the media.

On the enforcement of parking restrictions, information on the numbers of patrols and notices issued had been provided; it was agreed that the Assistant Clerk should arrange a meeting in the New Year with the responsible officer in OCC Highways and the contractor running the parking patrols.

The Chair asked the Assistant Clerk to identify the appropriate contact in OCC to action the proposal to establish the Lockstile Way- Bourdillon Field Path as shared use for pedestrians and cyclists. Action: Assistant Clerk.

It was agreed that the Council website should include a link to report blocked drains and gullies (as already provided to report potholes and illegally parked vehicle). Action: Assistant Clerk.

24.46.6. To consider the current and possible future actions to improve pedestrian safety. Appendix B

The possible measures needed to improve pedestrian safety set out in Appendix B were reviewed with a view to which should be taken forward for further consideration in the coming year. It was agreed to further consider 1) The Manor Road /High Street Junction, 2) The High Street/Red Cross Road/Upper Red Cross Road Junction, 3) The Reading Road – access to Farm Road footpath, 4) The High Street raised table – adding a pedestrian crossing.

24.46.7. In the light of agenda items 5 and 6 and any other considerations to identify priorities for the coming year.

It was agreed that priority should be given to evaluating the practicalities, statutory requirements and costs of adding a pedestrian crossing on top of the High Street raised table.

24.46.8. To review the Action List and agree any further actions.

The Action list was reviewed. The Chair asked the Assistant Clerk to source a sign indicating 'To the Trains' to be fixed on the Yew Tree Court Wall in Station Road. Action: Assistant Clerk. Information from the Speed Surveys should be presented to Full Council in February.

24.46.9. Matters for future discussion.

None.

24.46.10. To confirm the date of the next meeting: 18th February 2025.

Confirmed.

There being no further business to be transacted, the Chair closed the meeting at 12.30 pm