



GORING-ON-THAMES PARISH COUNCIL

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

Tuesday 11th March at 19.30, Council Office, Old School, Station Road

Members Present:
Cllr M Stares (Chair)
Cllr J Emerson
Cllr S Lofthouse
Cllr N Mallen
Cllr B Newman
Cllr R Williamson

Officers Present:
Assistant Clerk Mr M Harper

Public and Press
Six Members of the Public (MoPs)

Public Session – Prior to the Start of the Meeting.

MoP1 spoke in support of agenda item 4.2 (P25/S0582/HH). The present access from The Cottage is too close to the junction of Cleeve Road with Glebe Ride and there is a risk of accidents. The wall and verge are currently poorly maintained with self-seeded trees against the wall affecting its integrity and the proposal would address that.

MoP2 spoke objecting to P25/S0582/HH. The wall was a feature of the conservation area and was included in the consultation draft of the Goring-on-Thames Conservation Area Appraisal. This was the longest and most significant part of the wall and characteristic of Victorian Goring.

MoP3 spoke objecting to agenda item 4.1 (P25/S0535/HH). The development was not consistent with planning guidelines, a previous, similar application on their property had been rejected 15 years ago. The 45 degree rule would be broken interfering with light to an upstairs room.

Meeting started at 19.40.

24.67.1. To receive apologies for absence and substitutions.

None

24.67.2. Declarations of Interest.

24.67.2.1. To receive declarations of interest.

Cllr Emerson noted that MoP2 was his wife.

24.67.2.2. To consider requests for dispensations.

None.



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24.67.3. To approve the minutes of previous committee meetings.

24.67.3.1. Meeting held on the 25th February 2025.

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

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

24.67.4.1. P25/S0535/HH 32 Milldown Road Goring RG8 0BA

Single and two storey rear extensions to dwelling.

In discussion the Committee felt that the proposal was over-large for the site, there was a concern that the protrusion to the side elevation could detract from the view from the street. The 45 degree rule might be relevant but that would be determined by the Planning Officer on a site visit.

Resolved: Unanimously resolved to submit the response: Object on the grounds that the proposed development is over-dominant.

24.67.4.2. P25/S0582/HH The Cottage Cleeve Road Goring on Thames RG8 9BG

Change of vehicle access including drive and parking area to the dwelling. Comprising new crossover to the public highway and creating new access with sliding gate in an existing boundary wall which is in a conservation area.

Committee members agreed that the wall was a key feature of that part of the conservation area and should be kept intact. Changes to parking restriction on Glebe Ride would allow more parking which would be compromised by the proposed new access, and parked vehicles would reduce visibility for vehicles leaving from the proposed access.

Resolved: Unanimously resolved to submit the response: Object on the grounds that the wall contributes significantly to the conservation area and that access to the property from Glebe Ride would compromise the imminent parking changes and create visibility issues for vehicles leaving the property.

24.67.4.3. P25/S0671/HH 5 Lycroft Close Goring Reading RG8 0AT

Single storey rear and two storey side extensions

It was noted that a previous application for a large extension had been approved recently.

Resolved: Unanimously resolved to submit the response: No Objection

24.67.5. To note amendments to planning applications and approve a response to the planning authority.

The following was noted:

24.67.5.1. P24/S2193/FUL Land at Gatehampton Road and to the south-east of No.55 Goring-on-Thames
Erection of 10 dwellings, of which 4 would be affordable, with new vehicular and pedestrian/cycle access obtained via Gatehampton Road and associated infrastructure and landscaping.(as amplified and amended by plans and information received 23 July, 1 August 2024 and 20 February 2025)



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Resolved: Unanimously resolved to submit the response: No Objection but ask that the Council's previous comments on the original application be taken into account, specifically in respect of road and pedestrian safety, lighting and construction management.

24.67.6. To note applications withdrawn.

The following was noted.

24.67.6.1. P24/S4068/LDP 6 Lockstile Mead Goring RG8 OAE

Construction of an L-shaped single pitch summer house.

24.67.7. To note planning authority decisions on applications.

The following were noted.

24.67.7.1. P25/S0106/LDP Culvers Croft Road Goring RG8 9ES

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To add integrated solar PV panels to the north-east and south-west roof projections of the house whilst re-roofing - replacing the current dilapidated felt, batons and tiles.

GPC Response: No Objection.

24.67.7.2. P24/S3905/HH High Barn Spring Lane Goring RG8 OHR

GRANTED

Proposed new single storey garden pavilion. (Amended plan received 11 February showing building relocated on site)

GPC Response: No Objection.

24.67.7.3. P24/S3823/FUL Bourdillon Recreation & Playground Goring RG8 ODU

GRANTED

Proposal to extend the fenced-in children's playground area.

GPC Response: No Objection.

24.67.8. To confirm the date of the next meeting – Tuesday 25th March 2025.

Confirmed.

There being no further business to be transacted, the Chair closed the meeting at 20.10.