



GORING-ON-THAMES PARISH COUNCIL

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

Tuesday 15th July 2025 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 10.30 am.

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

Apologies - Cllr S Lofthouse.

25.14.2. Declarations of Interests (LA 2011 s31)

None.

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

None.

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

25.04.5.1. Meeting held on 17th June 2025.

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

25.14.5. To receive a report on the site meeting with OCC Highways officers on 17th June and consider next steps.

Cllrs Williamson and Thurston met with OCC Highways officers and Cllr Maggie Filipova-Rogers on 17th June to discuss the Parish Council's proposals for improving pedestrian safety at sites in the Village. On the proposed crossing over the High Street raised table, OCC Highways officers agreed that the raised table would make a suitable crossing point subject to adequate lighting although locating the Belisha Beacons could be problematic. However, the pavement on the south side is narrow and would need to be built out to accommodate wheelchairs. If the Parish Council wanted to take this forward it would need to engage consultant highway engineers to work up a design. The works cost (including traffic management) for a



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zebra crossing would be in the range £30-60K. There was a discussion about an alternative of marking/painting the surface of the raised table to indicate an informal crossing, which was estimated to cost about £10K.

On the proposal for a pedestrian refuge at the Manor Road/High Street junction, OCC Highways agreed in principle that this would be suitable. Work needed to be done to satisfy sight lines and adequate space for large vehicles to make the turn into and out of the junction. The existing dropped kerbs would need to be re-aligned with the pedestrian refuge to provide a natural route across the junction. GPC would need to engage consultants to prepare a scheme. Works cost was estimated at £20K.

On the proposal for a parklet and crossing by Pierepont's café OCCH advised that sight lines for a crossing would need checking. The possibility of a build out around the tree which narrows the pavement was not ruled out subject to tracking survey for vehicles exiting from the Boathouse carpark.

The Parish Council was also looking at a second pedestrian crossing on the High Street near the Social Club. OCC Highways advice was that the costs and need for a design/scheme would be the same as for the crossing at the High Street raised table, although the cost of dropped kerbs would need to be included. Similarly, painting to mark an informal crossing could be a possibility.

In addition to the measures to improve pedestrian safety, the safety of the Glebe Ride/Cleeve Road junction was looked at. The Parish Council considered that improvement could be made to clarify priority at the junction. Repainting the white 'give way' lines would emphasise the existence of a junction and the priority for traffic coming from or entering Glebe Ride. Granite setts laid into the road need to be removed as they give a false indication of priority.

In discussion it was agreed that consultant highway engineers should be approached to provide quotes for the preparation of schemes for the design of the pedestrian refuge at the Manor Road/High Street junction; for painted crossings on the High Street (on the raised table and near the Social Club) and for a parklet and crossing by Pierrepont's café. The Assistant Clerk was asked to identify appropriate consultants to invite to quote and draft the requirements for each scheme. ACTION Assistant Clerk.

25.14.6. To consider the Henley HGV Analysis Report and consider any actions

Appendix A

Cllr Thurston had reviewed Report. There was no similar situation with 40 tonne lorries as in Henley on Thames in Goring not least because of the 7.5 ton limit on the railway bridge. The analysis showed a low level of HGV movements along the roads in to and out of Goring and generally there was no evidence of a demand for ANPR cameras. The Committee considered that therefore there was no need for any further action but that it might be helpful to find out what the cost of cameras would be.



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

Action List

The Action List was reviewed and up dated.

25.14.8..Matters for future discussion.

Two matters were identified for the next meeting: the request for a directional sign for the Roman Catholic Church and an update on the 134 Bus Route.

25.14.9.To confirm the date of the next meeting: 16th September.

It was agreed that the Committee should not meet in August and the next meeting would be the 16th September.

There being no further business to be transacted, the Chair closed the meeting at 12.10pm.