



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 Pierrepont'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 40ft 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.

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.

Travel and Transport Committee: Action List: 15th July 2025

Action No.	Title	Current Status	Action Owner	Status
2021 -004	Station Rd Pedestrian Safety/Yellow Lines Consultation	8 March 2025 – Yellow lines to be marked 17-19th March. Notice on Genie, website Facebook Notice Boards and businesses. Marking of Station Rd to follow re-surfacing work. 7 April 2025 – Yellow lines and parking bays marked with the exception of Upper Red Cross Road to await further work on verges. Station Road re-surfaced and PPL marked. 15 April 2025 – Raise need to replace Yellow lines at Station Road station entrance and GWR to provide 'Keep Clear' sign	OCC Highways	Implemented but matters to be resolved
2022-013	Provision of EV Parking Spaces	10 February 2025 Confirmation from Cllr Filipova-Rivers that EV chargers are intended to be installed in Goring (Wheel Orchard Carpark?).	Committee	Monitoring
2022-14	Pedestrian Crossing Gatehampton Rd near Station	8 April 2024 – Full Council agreed budget of £4,700 (excl VAT) and to GWR contractors doing the work. 8 July 2024 – Council agrees revised budget, increased to £7,800 from £4,700 to reflect increased cost of dropped Kerb. 18 October 2024 – Dropped kerb installed. 10 March 2025 – MIGGS confirm offer of £1k towards costs of dropped kerb and PPL. 3 April 2025 – GWR chased for date for marking PPL. 14 April 2025 – PPL on station carpark marked. 11 June 2025 - Highways Engagement Team asked to follow up on response from Fix my Street to flooding at dropped kerb.	Assistant Clerk	Implemented but matters to be resolved
2022-015	Full Village Pedestrian Safety Review	23 January 2024 - consider with OCCH possibility of traffic lights at Wallingford Rd/High St junction to reduce speed before and after the junction in lieu of a speed hump.	Committee	Open

		26 January 2024 – OCCH site visit confirmed that OCC would not consider traffic lights without evidence of the risk of a serious accident. 20 February 2024 – Decided to review the need for a speed hump or other measures after speed signs had been installed. 20 August 2024 – Committee agreed in November 2023 to consider the need for three flashing speed signs (in Manor Rd, Cleeve Rd and Elvendon Rd) additional to those then planned in the High St and Wallingford Rd, if speed surveys showed a need. It was agreed to seek Full Council approval for a budget for speed surveys to be carried out on those three roads. 9 September 2024 – OCCH asked to provide costs of speed surveys and procedure for applying for extension of 20mph limit in Gatehampton Road. This would require a further speed survey. 17 September 2024 – Assistant Clerk to submit a request for a budget to October Council meeting. 14 October 2024 - Budget agreed for 4 surveys at £760. 15 October 2024 – Revisions to sites for surveys on lampposts as follows: Cleeve Rd by the Ridgeway Path crossing; Manor Rd by the junction with Littlecroft Rd; Gatehampton Rd by No.4; Elvendon Rd further up to the east if suitable lamppost. 28 November 2024 – Speed surveys ordered. 2 December 2024 – Speed surveys operational. 17 December 2024 – Summary of results provided by Cllr Thurston, to present to Full Council in March. Results suggest a need for measures to limit speeds in Elvendon Road and Gatehampton Road. 10 February 2025 -- Summary of results presented to Full Council; Council request that Committee consider necessary measures and report to March meeting. 18 February 2025 – Agreed to resurvey sites in 6 months and to include speed sign sites in re-survey.		
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		18 March 2025 – Paper on Measures to Improve Pedestrian Safety discussed by Committee. Agreed to put revised proposals to OCCH. 18 March 2025 – To consider speed bumps in Elvendon Rd and Gatehampton Rd after re-doing speed surveys. 20 May 2025 – Site visit with OCC to discuss Measures to Improve Pedestrian Safety arranged for 17th June post next T&T committee meeting. 20 May 2025 – Agreed to order speed surveys in Cleeve Rd/Penny Piece, Elvendon Rd, Manor Rd, Gatehampton Rd and High St outside Social Club. 9 June 2025 – Full Council agree a budget of £900 for second round of speed surveys.		
2024 - 002	Social Club Parking spaces	6 June 2024 – Letter sent to Social Club. 2 July 2024 Reminder sent. 8 July 2024 Secretary responded – investigating land ownership. 15 August 2024 - Further reminder sent. 20 August 2024 – Possible Cllr visit to chase up a response. 19 September 2024 – Historic information obtained from Local History Society. 15 October 2024 – Assistant Clerk to write to the Club suggesting revised parking arrangements. 11 November 2024 – Club asked to consider re-alignment of parking spaces. 19 November 2024 – Cllr Williamson to contact the Club. 10 February 2025 – Data on OCC Highways mapping confirms the parking area is Highway land, to consider referring to Highways? 18 February 2025 – Decided to refer to OCC Highways, write to Club and complainant accordingly.	Assistant Clerk Cllr Williamson	Open

		9 April 2025 – Referred to Highways and Club and resident informed. 30 April 2025 – Meeting with Social Club to discuss alternative arrangements, Club considering re-alignment of spaces. 20 May 2025 – Assistant Clerk to write to the Club asking that parking spaces be re-arranged as discussed. 10 May 2025 – OCC Highways consulted on extent of highway behind double yellow lines. 11 June 2025 – OCC Highways confirm extent of highway is as far as slabs/setts but land between them and the Club is incorrectly shown as highway owned on Highways extent and ownership map. 30 June 2025 – Social Club informed as above.		
2024 - 005	Ferry Lane Path	15 August 2024 - Proposals for an accessible boardwalk/footpath put to Committee on 20 August. 20 August 2024 – Committee agreed that Cllr Thurston should get quotes for the work and prepare a submission for Full Council. 17 September 2024 – Contractors approached with a specification for the work required, awaiting responses. 15 October 2024 – No formal quotes from specialist boardwalk contractors received but informal contacts suggest a cost of £40K. 19 November 2024 – one quote received. 17 December 2024 – awaiting better weather before taking further. 18 March 2025 – a restricted byway exists on Ferry Lane open space, proposed on basis of OCC advice to consider a hard surface not a boardwalk, and to link with Mend the Gap plans. 15 April 2025 – Carry out survey of existing byway route to identify actions needed.	Cllr Thurston	Implemented

		17 April 2025 – Site visit, identified need for arboricultural advice on tree roots on byway route. Quotes from contractors to be sought. 22 May 2025 – Invitations to provide cost estimates sent to four potential suppliers. 25 June 2025 – Estimates received from two contractors suggest the cost of a path would be between £8000 and £12000..		
2024 - 006	Thames Path	20 August 2024 – Concern over condition of the Path reported. Cllr Thurston was asked to discuss with interested parties. 15 October 2024 – Signs to go up and closure of section of footpath (in West Berks); Cllr Thurston to contact West Berks for update on progress with repairs. 17 December 2024 – West Berks awaiting allocation of funds for repairs. 18 February 2025 – Footpath inspected, handrail on bridge repaired but no evidence of work on path/banks. 18 March 2025 – No further development, work only possible when river is low. Funding and EA permission awaited. 15 April 2025 – Timescale for work extended, likely cost £100K. Diversion path muddy so contact OCC Rights of Way to report. (postponed because of dry weather) 20 May 2025 – no further updates on Thames Path. 17 June 2025 – awaiting news but no prospect of the closed section of the path being opened in the next 18 months.	Cllr Thurston	Open

2024 -008	Community Speed Watch and Lorry Watch	8 October 2024 – Approach from a resident wanting to set up a Speed Watch Group. Raise with Highways Engagement Team on their visit? 19 November 2024 – Resident in process of applying to Police for approval; Cllr Thurston to discuss support needed. Agreed to explore setting up a lorry watch and Cllr Thurston to contact Streatley PC for advice. 2 December – 2024 Information about lorry watch and speed watch received from Streatley PC. 17 December 2024 – Meeting with Streatley PC reported: difficult to measure through lorry traffic accurately; Cllrs Williamson and Thurston to trial a spot check on lorry traffic. Resident now trained to do Speed Watch, volunteers needed. 18 February 2025 – Resident unwell over January. Cllr Thurston to action recruiting volunteers. 18 March 2025 – Poster asking for volunteers put up by resident. 7 April 2025 – Resident reports no volunteers; will provide text for Assistant Clerk to write a piece for GGN. 17 April 2025 – piece submitted to GGN for May edition. ANPR unlikely to be practical because of legislative requirements. 28 May 2025 – Meeting of Speed watch group arranged for 11th June. 11th June - Meeting with new volunteers held. 17 June 2025 – 7 volunteers, 3 fully trained 3 due to be trained, proposed sites for speed watch to be approved by Thames Valley Police.	Cllr Williamson Cllr Thurston	Open
2024 - 009	Hedgehog Signs	19 November 2024 - Assistant Clerk asked to order three additional signs, one to replace the missing Manor Rd sign. 20 December 2024 – Signs delivered. Replacement for Manor Rd other locations to be determined. 18 February 2025 – New signs to be ordered. 10 April 2025 – signs ordered and received 21st April.	Assistant Clerk/Cllr Williamson	Open

		20 May 2025 – Cllr Williamson collected signs. 17 June 2025 – Missing sign replaced, other sites being considered.		
2024 - 010	Off-street Car Parking	19 November 2024 – need to improve capacity at the Wheel Orchard Carpark identified, proposal for discussion at next meeting 17th December. 18 February 2025 – Cllr Thurston to draft a review of off-street parking. 18 March 2025 – Report for next meeting, consider effect of new parking restrictions. 20 May 2025 – Report to be produced in September.	Cllr Thurston	Open
2025 - 001	Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan	18 February 2025 – Need to develop Plan. 18 March 2025 – See minutes of Committee meeting. 20 May 2025 – OCC confirm that a Plan for Goring and Woodcote is to be produced.		Open
2025 - 002	Manor Rd/High St junction pedestrian refuge	18 February 2025 – Proposal for a pedestrian refuge: take forward with OCC Highways. 10 April 2025 – Request sent to OCCH. 14 May 2025 – Site visit with OCC officers and Cllr Filipova-Rivers to be arranged. 20 May 2025 – Site visit on 17th June. 17th June – site visit with OCCH officers who agreed in principle, GPC would have to engage consultants to design, dropped kerbs to be re-aligned cost of works estimated to be £20K.	Assistant Clerk	Open
2025 - 003	High St/Social Club Crossing	18 February 2025 – ask OCC Highways for likely cost and feasibility of pedestrian crossing. 10 April 2025 – Request for advice sent to OCCH. 14 May 2025 – Site visit with OCC officers and Cllr Filipova-Rivers to be arranged.	Assistant Clerk	Open

		20 May 2025 – Site visit on 17th June. 17th June – site visit with OCCH officers, zebra crossing likely cost of works £30-60K (as at High Street on raised table); possibility of installing dropped kerbs and applying a coloured surfacing to denote an informal crossing - estimated cost £10-15K.		
2025 - 004	Pedestrian crossing High St Raised Table	18 February 2025 – ask OCC Highways for likely costs and feasibility. 10 April 2025 – Request for advice sent to OCCH. 14 May 2025 – Site visit with OCC officers and Cllr Filipova-Rivers to be arranged 14 May 2025 – Site visit with OCC officers and Cllr Filipova-Rivers to be arranged. 20 May 2025 – Site visit on 17th June. 17th June – site visit with OCCH officers identified narrowness and probable need for siting of belisha beacon on walls, need for build out to accommodate wheelchairs on south side. GPC would have to engage consultants to design, probable costs of works (including traffic management) £30-60K, painting surface to indicate an informal crossing – estimated cost £10K.	Assistant Clerk	Open
2025 - 005	Reading Rd/Farm Rd footpath	18 February 2025 – ask OCC Highways about likely costs and feasibility of widening the footpath at junction with Fairfield Rd and/or opposite steps. 10 April 2025 – Request for advice sent to OCCH. 14 May 2025 – Site visit with OCC officers and Cllr Filipova-Rivers to be arranged. 14 May 2025 – Site visit with OCC officers and Cllr Filipova-Rivers to be arranged. 20 May 2025 – Site visit on 17th June. 17 June 2025 – not visited.	Assistant Clerk	Open
2025 - 006	Pavement outside Pierrepont's	18 February 2025 - Investigate possibility of installing a Parklet 10 April 2025 – Request for advice sent to OCCH.	Cllrs Williamson and Thurston	Open

		14 May 2025 – Site visit with OCC officers and Cllr Filipova-Rivers to be arranged. 14 May 2025 – Site visit with OCC officers and Cllr Filipova-Rivers to be arranged. 20 May 2025 – Site visit on 17th June. 17 June site visit with OCCH officers identified need to clarify sight lines for a pedestrian crossing and for vehicles exiting the Boathouse carpark. GPC would need to engage consultants for design. The possibility of a build out around the tree on the north side was not ruled out subject to detailed tracking survey for vehicles exiting the Boathouse carpark.		
2025 – 007	Station Signage	18 February 2025 - To improve signage to encourage use of south entrance to Station. 20 May 2025 - Cllr Williamson to chase GWR . 17 June 2025 – No response from GWR.	Cllr Williamson	Open
2025 - 008	Safe Walking Routes	18 February 2025 – To identify possible routes.	Cllrs Mallen and Thurston	Open
2025 - 009	Parking enforcement	17 February 2025 – Requested meeting with OCCH and Trellint with no response. 11 June 2025 – Further request made. 8 July 2025 – OCCH asked to provide spreadsheet records of enforcement activity and agree meeting	Assistant Clerk	Open
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