GORING-ON-THAMES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the
Goring-on-Thames Parish Council
Thursday 10 September 2026 at 17.00 at
The Old School, Station Road Goring RG8 9HB

All Councillors who are members of the committee are summoned to attend the meeting.
Members of the public and press are invited to attend all meetings of the council and its committees.
(Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960)
17.00 – at the start of the meeting; Questions and comments from members of the public (limited to 10 minutes in total and only on items on the agenda)

Members Present:

Chair	Cllr J Emerson(JE)
	Cllr B McKenzie (BM)
	Cllr T Thurston (TT)
	Cllr B Urbick (BU)

Officers Present:

Clerk	S Edmunds (SE)

Public and Press: None

Meeting started 17.01

AGENDA

26.23.1: To receive apologies for absence (LGA 1972 s85(1))

None

26.23.2: Declarations of Interests (LA 2011 s31)

Members to declare any interests, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interest they may have in agenda items

None

26.23.3: To consider requests for Dispensations [LA 2011 s33]

None

26.23.4: To approve minutes of the meeting of 09 July 2026

Unanimously Approved

26.23.5: Matters arising from the minutes not elsewhere on the agenda

None

26.23.6: To approve the expenditure 1-30 July & 1-31 August 2026 Appendix A

Clerk to check contracts / providers for services for renewal dates.

Unanimously Approved

26.23.7: To note income 1-30 July & 1-31 August 2026 Appendix B

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Noted

26.23.8: To approve the reconciled bank accounts as at 30 July & 31 August 2026 Appendix C

Unanimously Approved

26.23.9: To review interest rates for each account and amounts and propose any actions. Appendix D

Reviewed in the meeting

26.23.10: To consider finance implications of Full Council decisions, Committee and Working Group recommendations. Appendix E

Reviewed in the meeting

26.23.11: To receive updates from the previous meeting's action list. Appendix F

Reviewed in the meeting

26.23.12: To note the income, expenditure, balances, and reserves to end of August including comparison with the budget and highlight any actual or potential overspends Appendix G

Noted they are on track with 58% of the year left and 64% of the funds (half the precept will arrive in September)

26.23.13: To consider the status of Reserve 330 EMR Playgrounds Appendix H

Resolved to rename as 330 EMR Play Area Renewals, description: Repair and replacement of playground equipment and surfacing at end of component life. Notes:

a) Purpose: Repair and replacement of playground equipment and surfacing at end of component life.

b) Amount: £10k in FY 2026/7. Add on average, £10k/year over the 26 subsequent years as prudent when reserve funds are available.

c) Accumulate: £270k by 2052. Inflation may require further funding to be sought through grants in 2047/8.

d) Spend date: 2052 (or earlier for necessary repairs).

26.23.14: To consider actions from Internal Audit to recommend to Full Council Appendix I

Considered and Clerk to bring actions to Full Council (Aim for October)

~~26.23.15: To note the Statement of Internal Controls Policy and the Internal Audit Service Agreement Appendix J~~

~~26.23.16:To review the Effectiveness of Internal Audit Policy to recommend to Full Council Appendix K~~

~~26.23.17: To consider the appointment of the Internal Auditor for FY 2026-2027~~

26.23.18 To approve items for the next agenda

Statement of Internal Controls, Effectiveness of Internal Audit, Appointment of Internal Auditors

26.23.19 To confirm the time and date of the meeting -Thursday 8th October at 17:00

Cllr J Emerson 08 October 2026

Chair to the Committee