GORING-ON-THAMES
PARISH COUNCIL

Appendix F

Finance Committee
Report to Council November 2026

1. Financial status at the end of October

The following tables show the income, expenditure and state of the Reserves as at the end of October.

- Page 2 contains the income and comparison with budget.
- Pages 3-4 contains the expenditure and comparison with budget - red numbers indicate an actual or potential overspend. Finance Committee are satisfied that all of these are understood and acceptable – the budget remains under control.
- Page 5 contains the Reserves Balances and shows the total funds.

2. Reconciliations

The Monthly reconciliation between the accounts and the bank balances is considered at each FC meeting and, when approved, signed off by the RFO and FC chair.

3. Bourdillon path 8

It was noted that the contractors for resurfacing this path (October Full Council, Minute 26.31.9 - Appendix L) had assumed a narrower width than was wanted. The resulting cost to Council increasing by £1,000 (to £7,200). Council may wish to approve this extra £1,000.

4. Auditors' reports

In December Finance Committee will present suggested responses to the internal and external auditor's recommendations/comments concerning finance. Council may wish to base its responses on these.

5. Budget for 2027/8

Finance Committee has started work on a recommended budget and precept for the next FY. Input from the Staffing and Burial Ground committees is awaited.
All other Committees, working groups and members should consider if they know of, or anticipate, any change in routine expenditure required, or non-routine expenditure that will be required in the FY Apr 2027-Mar 2028. The FY2026-7 budgets are on pages 2-4 below. Please send details (amount and reasons) to the Finance Committee chair so that the information can be taken into account.

3. Ear Marked Reserves

Any proposals for redistributing the funds amongst EMRs, should be sent to the Finance Committee. Note that before funds for a project can be held in an Ear Marked Reserve, the project and its specification and justification needs to be approved by Council. Such justifications should include project specification and a reasonably solid and documented cost estimate, and a spend profile.

Summary of Receipts

Cost Centre Group - Reeipts (Between 01/04/2026 and 31/10/2026)

Code	Title	Budgeted	Actual	Variance		
100 General Income						
1010	Bank and other Interest	10,000.00	9,196.08	-803.92	(-8%)	
1030	Community Centre Car Park Income	8,000.00	9,445.48	1,445.48	(18%)	
1040	Events Income	200.00		-200.00	(-100%)	
1070	Miscellaneous Income / Other	50.00	1,759.67	1,709.67	(3419%)	mostly grass cutting from OCC
1080	Precept	238,846.00	238,846.00		(0%)	
1090	Property Income	9,400.00	8,415.00	-985.00	(-10%)	income from events to come
	SUB TOTAL	**266,496.00**	**267,662.23**	**1,166.23**	**(0%)**	all precept now received
200 Burial Ground Income						
2020	WHBG Interments and Plots	17,000.00	7,435.00	-9,565.00	(-56%)	
2030	WHBG Memorials; Including Bench Donations	3,000.00	1,517.00	-1,483.00	(-49%)	memorials lag internments
	SUB TOTAL	**20,000.00**	**8,952.00**	**-11,048.00**	**(-55%)**	
Summary (excluding EMRs)						
	NET TOTAL	**286,496.00**	**276,614.23**	**-9,881.77**		all precept now received
	V.A.T.		36,603.36			VAT recovered from HMRC
	GROSS TOTAL excluding EMRs		**313,217.59**			
800 EMRs						
8100	Capital Projects EMR		175,000.00			OJFS sale
8345	CIL Receipts EMR		7,216.43			
	SUB TOTAL		**182,216.43**			

Summary of Payments

Cost Centre Group - Expenditure (Between 01/04/2026 and 31/10/2026)

Code	Title	Budgeted	Actual	Variance		
300	**Administration**					
3000	Office Rent	7,000.00	5,250.00	1,750.00	(25%)	
3010	Allowances, Expenses & Training	2,000.00	1,724.00	276.00	(13%)	
3040	Election Fees					
3050	Room hire for Full Council meetings	750.00		750.00	(100%)	
3060	Postage, copies, stationery and printing	1,000.00	682.06	317.94	(31%)	
3070	Advertising & Publications	900.00		900.00	(100%)	
3080	Subscriptions	1,200.00	444.13	755.87	(62%)	
3090	Legal Fees	5,000.00	2,292.00	2,708.00	(54%)	
3100	Rates and Taxes	1,254.00	873.67	380.33	(30%)	OJFS now sold
3110	Website Development	250.00		250.00	(100%)	
3120	Annual Meeting of the Parish	500.00		500.00	(100%)	
	SUB TOTAL	**19,854.00**	**11,265.86**	**8,588.14**	**(43%)**	
400	**General Finance and Grants**					
4010	Audit and Accountancy	1,300.00	1,790.00	-490.00	(-37%)	External auditor's fee
4020	Bank Charges	155.00	60.00	95.00	(61%)	
4040	Miscellaneous Expenditure	1,500.00	332.83	1,167.17	(77%)	
4050	S137 and Other (Non-Grant) Payments					
4060	Staff Costs - anticipated	95,200.00	45,685.25	49,514.75	(52%)	
4070	Transport S26-29 LGR Act 1997	400.00		400.00	(100%)	
4080	Loans to Local Organisations					
4090	Grants under General Powers of Compentence	11,000.00	6,000.00	5,000.00	(45%)	Festival
	SUB TOTAL	**109,555.00**	**53,868.08**	**55,686.92**	**(50%)**	
500	**Burial Ground Expenses**					
5010	WHBG General Maintenance	1,000.00	27.21	972.79	(97%)	
5020	WHBG Mowing, Hedges, Trees	4,500.00	2,927.09	1,572.91	(34%)	
5030	WHBG Plot Preparation	5,000.00	2,400.00	2,600.00	(52%)	
5040	WHBG Waste	1,000.00	981.25	18.75	(1%)	close to overspend
5050	WHBG - Utilities	100.00	33.35	66.65	(66%)	
5060	WHBG Staff Costs anticipated	3,820.00		3,820.00	(100%)	volunteer Deputy Clerk
5070	WHBG subscriptions	500.00	110.00	390.00	(78%)	
5080	WHBG admininstration	500.00	706.60	-206.60	(-41%)	Scribe license increase
	SUB TOTAL	**16,420.00**	**7,185.50**	**9,234.50**	**(56%)**	
600	**Facilities**					
6010	Community Centre Car Park	3,200.00	1,598.50	1,601.50	(50%)	
6020	Defibrillator maintenance	500.00		500.00	(100%)	
6030	General Maintenance & Repair	5,000.00	2,725.70	2,274.30	(45%)	
6040	Grass/Hedge Cutting, Weeding & Fertilising.	30,000.00	10,898.21	19,101.79	(63%)	
6050	Fences/Gates	350.00		350.00	(100%)	
6060	Pedestrian Safety Projects					
6070	Inspections Surveys & Reports	2,500.00	1,520.00	980.00	(39%)	
6080	Insurance	2,500.00	2,457.24	42.76	(1%)	all paid

6090	Office Equipment	2,000.00	500.70	1,499.30	(74%)	
6095	Office relocation					
6100	Playground Equipment Maintenance					
6110	Cleaning & Associated Supplies	250.00	181.11	68.89	(27%)	
6130	Security, Fire & Safety	200.00	203.78	-3.78	(-1%)	Fire extingisher inspections
6140	Software and back-ups	7,200.00	1,252.87	5,947.13	(82%)	
6150	Street Furniture inc Seats & Bins	2,000.00	3,930.29	-1,930.29	(-96%)	Bins benches Flags overspent
6160	Street Lighting - maintenance / repairs	13,000.00	4,608.88	8,391.12	(64%)	
6180	Street Lighting - Electricity	13,889.00	6,957.34	6,931.66	(49%)	
6190	Telephone & Internet	600.00	308.55	291.45	(48%)	
6210	Tree surveys					
6220	Utilities - Gas, Water, Electricity	10,000.00	5,349.96	4,650.04	(46%)	
6230	Vandalism & graffiti removal	500.00		500.00	(100%)	
6240	Waste / Litter / Street Cleaning	10,000.00	5,471.68	4,528.32	(45%)	
6260	Village Planting,Hanging Baskets & Planters	5,000.00	5,230.61	-230.61	(-4%)	Hanging baskets & Jubillee garden
6270	Christmas Trees/Lights	1,000.00		1,000.00	(100%)	
	SUB TOTAL	**109,689.00**	**53,195.42**	**56,493.58**	**(51%)**	

700 Neighbourhood Plan

7040	GNP evidence Website	160.00	98.00	62.00	(38%)	
	SUB TOTAL	**160.00**	**98.00**	**62.00**	**(38%)**	

800 EMRs

355	Street Light Replacements EMR					
8100	Capital Projects EMR					
8105	Playgrounds equipment EMR		13,500.00			Gardiner Playground (youth club)
8150	Public Buildings EMR		3,716.24			Storage Container & shed
8210	Trees EMR		1,175.00			
8340	Community Car Park Resurfacing EMR					
8345	CIL Receipts EMR					
8346	Sheepcot improvements EMR		780.00			Drawings & Plannin appln
8348	Playgrounds refurbishment EMR		122,361.78			Gardiner Playground
8349	Traffic calming EMR		1,400.00			Drawings
8350	Pedestrian Safety (MIGGS) EMR					
8360	Office relocation (OCC Cllr Priority Fund)					
8365	Security EMR					
8370	Public Spaces Strategy EMR		430.00			new
8380	WHBG Improvements EMR					
8390	Ferry Lane Surfacing EMR		396.00			Planning permisison
8425	Freedom of Goring EMR		94.87			
8441	WHBG OCC Cllr Priority Fund 467					
8450	Natural BG setup EMR					
8500	GNP Review EMR		8,605.00			4 invoices
	SUB TOTAL		**152,458.89**	**-152,458.89**	**(N/A)**	

Summary (Including EMRs)

NET TOTAL	**255,678.00**	**278,071.75**	**-22,393.75**	due to inclusionof EMRs
V.A.T.		41,819.72		
GROSS TOTAL		**319,891.47**		
NET TOTAL (excluding EMRs)		**125,612.86**		

Reserve	Opening Balance	Transfers	Spend	Receipts	Current Balance	Notes
Capital						
315 Capital projects				175,000.00	175,000.00	75k is for Sheepcot
Total	**0.00**			**175,000.00**	**175,000.00**	
Operating						
310 Operating (General) Reserve	87,487.81	-12,952.81			74,535.00	
Earmarked						
325 EMR Tree felling/pruning/replacement	799.09	9,350.91	1,175.00		8,975.00	
330 EMR Play Area Renewals	27,000.00	-13,500.00	13,500.00		0.00	will be made 10k
340 EMR Community Centre Car Park restoration	14,002.51	5,997.49			20,000.00	
345 EMR Community Infrastructure Levy	45,912.59			7,216.43	53,129.02	
346 EMR Sheepcot Pavilion area refurbishment	92,321.98	37,000.02	780.00		128,542.00	
347 EMR WHBG Natural Burials setup	15,000.00				15,000.00	
348 EMR Playground refurbishment	143,718.32	-18,668.32	122,361.78		2,688.22	
349 EMR Traffic calming and Pedestrian safety	13,477.48	2,422.52	1,400.00		14,500.00	
365 EMR Public Spaces Security	3,249.04				3,249.04	
370 EMR Public Open Spaces Strategy	18,507.37		430.00		18,077.37	
380 EMR WHBG Improvements	17,500.00				17,500.00	
385 EMR WHBG Reserved Plots	5,500.00	-5,500.00			0.00	EMR closed
390 EMR Ferry Lane right of way enhancements	20,000.00		396.00		19,604.00	
410 EMR WHBG - 99Y Maintenance	8,000.00	-8,000.00			0.00	EMR closed
415 EMR Public Buildings	10,180.00	2,573.32	3,716.24		9,037.08	
420 EMR Election Costs		8,000.00			8,000.00	
425 EMR Freedom of Goring	1,000.00	-905.13	94.87		0.00	EMR closed
441 EMR WHBG (OCC Cllr Priority Fund 467)	2,965.00				2,965.00	
500 EMR GNP Review	5,000.00	25,000.00	8,605.00		21,395.00	
Total	**531,621.19**	**30,818.00**	**152,458.89**	**7,216.43**	**417,196.73**	
TOTAL RESERVE	**531,621.19**	**30,818.00**	**152,458.89**	**182,216.43**	**592,196.73**	
GENERAL FUND					151,278.90	
TOTAL FUNDS					743,475.63	
Consisting of:						
Bank deposits					735,225.04	
+ VAT recoverable at 31 October					8,250.59	
+ unpresented income						
- unpresented expenditure						
+ Round off in calcualtions						
					743,475.63	