The Annual Meeting of Goring Heath Parish Council was held in the Parish Hall on Thursday 14th June 2012 at 8pm.

Present: Chairman Peter Dragonetti, Councillors Nick Elsome, Kate Giles, Richard Greenford, Tim King, Marjo McGee and Martin Wise. Also present, parish clerk Caroline Hadley.

- 1. **Apologies for Absence** were received from Nick Henry
- 2. **Minutes of the last meeting**, 10th May 2012 were signed as correct.
- 3. **Matters arising** The VAS have now been installed. Richard Greenford would write and thank BP. Tim Fenn had offered the parish council a visit round Bakers Shaw it was agreed to try & arrange an evening visit. The clerk to contact the Environment agency re the contamination on the path from Crays Pond to Woodcote and to chase up the enquiry about roadside nature reserves.
- 4. **Parish Hall.** There was a good income from hall hire and the summer gardening show will be held on 25th August.
- 5. **Newsletter/Website**. Martin will send an article about the work at Crays Pond for the newsletter. Colin will redo the website in the near future.
- 6. **Recreation Ground**. The new swing seats are a success and it was agreed to order a toddler cradle swing seat for Garton End swings. A branch had come off the Poplar tree.
- 7. **District Councillors Report**. none
- 8. County Councillors Report none
- 9. Planning and Unauthorised Developments.

P12/S0298 The Oratory Preparatory School Great Oaks Goring Heath RG8 7SF New maintenance department following demolition of substandard units across the campus Should be refused

P12/S0835/HH Little Heath Crays Pond RG8 7QG Replacement of existing conservatory with single storey rear extension, erection of new timber framed double garage and gym. Alterations to the front entrance. Marjo McGee stated that as she was a close neighbour she did not want to comment or take part in the discussion about this application. Should be refused.

10. **Finance**. On 1st June there was £10,627.50 in the bank. £2.48 & £1.70 untaxed interest and £120 from adverts was paid in on 10 May. There would be a VAT refund of £2,246.01. The following cheques were drawn and authorised

301251	April Grass Cutting	£313.44
301252	HM revenue & customs	£72.60
301253	Clerks Salary March	£257.40
301254	Emptying of Dog Bins	£12.20
301255	Chiltern Society Subscription	£25.00
301256	Internal audit	£246.00
301257	Hillbottom grass	£50.00
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The clerk would request the payment of the 2012/13 Grass Cutting Grant of £462.40

- 11. Crays Pond/Tinepits Martin would be meeting with Rod D'Ayla will advise on the replanting. The work done on the swales was the first of its kind in the county
- **12. Working Parties.** Potential dates for work parties are 23rd September, 14th October, 18th November and 16th December.

- 13. The Standing Orders and Risk Assessment had been circulated and were approved.
- 14. **AOB** .The Jubilee celebrations in the parish had gone well starting with an excellent fete. There had also been Rounders on the green, a street party in Bec Tithe and the lighting of the Jubilee beacon. The VAS would be added to the asset register the surplus money would be kept as a contingency against further expenses. Marjo reported back on the meeting she had attended on local policing. The meeting agreed to pay half the cost of some signs to slow the traffic for the fete and also to get a sign to warn of road closure for Remembrance Sunday.

Date of the next meeting will be Thursday 12th July at 8pm in the Parish Hall. The meeting finished at 9.45pm