**Present:** Liz Collas (LC) Martin Wise (MW) Peter Burdon (PB) Michael Holland (MH) Hilary Dewey (HD)

**In attendance:** Amanda Holland (AH Clerk ) Louise Shearer (LS)

1. **Apologies for Absence**: Peter Burdon ( PB) Amanda Holland (AH)
2. **Declarations of Interest.** None
3. **Public Forum.** Mr and Mrs Heath regarding Planning Application ( see item below )
4. **To Approve the Minutes** of the last meeting of the Council on October 10th 2023. Approved.
5. **Matters arising from those minutes not on the agenda elsewhere.** None
6. **Correspondence for Information**. Open Spaces Society, Citizens Advice Bureau Annual donations requests were approved.

Mr J Hatt wrote on regarding the Drains and Guliies along the main road. LC to write to Jon Beale CC J Hatt.

1. **District Councillors Report and County Councillors Report.** DC report received with thanks.
2. **Key areas requiring discussion:**
* Crays Pond Project. MW reported that ENTRUST are happy to extend the completion deadline date for the restoration

 of Crays’s Pond until December 2024.MW and PB to liaise regarding tree works and dates. Tree work to be finished by

end of February 2024 .

* Traffic and Speed update. MH reported that Penny Royal will be included in our campaign to be 40mph along this busy

 stretch of road. Regarding the lack of volunteers for the speed watch group, LC has contacted Goring Parish Council

who have referred the request to their traffic committee.to see if we could collaborate on this.

**9.**      **Governance matters**

* Finance and Bank Reconciliation. The financial statement and Bank statement were discussed and approved.

**10.**  **Goring Heath Maintenance.**

* Grass and Maintenance. AH unable to attend meeting and to bring revised contract. MW proposed the clearing of flints on Shirvells hill to be funded by OCC/ contractors A quotation to be pursued.
* Parish Tree Survey Quotations. Tree Solutions to carry out the work in December.
* Footpaths and Rights of Way.
* Playgrounds. AH has been unable to meet Arrow on site and hopes to be able to report back to the next meeting.
* Enforcement. Woodland Feast / Secret Adventures report was discussed.
* Woodlands Conservation. PD to raise concerns with Head of Planning. Ongoing.

**11.**   **The Newsletter /Website/Social Media.** Due to clerks Illness it was decided to postpone plans for a Friends Glass of Cheer. The next Newsletter in January to include Speedwatch Update, Parish Quiz, Spring Show, Litter Pick, Fete and the Annual Parish Meeting.

**12.**     **The Parish Hall**. MW to clear the gutters. High Speed Wi Fi has now been installed.

**13.**     **The White Lion.**.

**14.**  **Planning and Unauthorised Developments.**

[**P23/S3224/FUL**](https://data.southoxon.gov.uk/ccm/support/Main.jsp?MODULE=ApplicationDetails&REF=P23/S3224/FUL) 1 Palmers Cottages Goring Heath Road Whitchurch Hill RG8 7PP Proposed development of a chalet style building within the garden curtilage for use as an osteopathy studio. No Strong Views.

**15.**    **Councillors Reports and Items for future agenda**. MH agreed to prepare a budget statement and precept proposal

To confirm the date of the next meeting: Tuesday December 12th 2023 at 8pm

A Holland, Clerk : Goring Heath Parish Council .