

Welcome to Genie's latest 'Village Matters' newsletter

In this issue: Regatta 20 July; standing room only at PPG meeting; reports on Twinning visit and international cycle race through Goring – and our latest update of new planning applications.

Still time to enter a rowing team in next month's major event at Goring & Streatley Regatta and River Festival – 20 July 2019

About 30 crews have already signed up to take part in the main racing which offers all day action.

In addition, there are other on-water attractions for adults and children alike. There's a **Crafty Raft Race** – build and enter a raft and then race it with friends and family (enter online, see link below) – or take part in the **Baby Dragon Boat** and canoe races (entry on the day). There will also be a chance to 'go row' – a coached taster session for adults.

The regatta hosts many stalls and other attractions to keep young and old entertained. Bring a picnic or be tempted by one of the food stands. With the main action taking place between 11am and 5pm, why not rent a gazebo spot on the river and make a day of it in luxury!

Entry is £8 – and children (16s and under) go FREE this year. Parking is free too!

For full information: www.goringgapbc.org.uk/regatta



Big turnout to learn about the future of Goring & Woodcote Medical Practice

It was standing room only at Saturday morning's Patient Participation (PPG) Open Meeting in the Goring Village Hall

Drs Morris and Capo-Bianco provided a candid view of the pressures on keeping the Practice running and continuing to provide the high quality of care that we have all come to expect.

The audience of about 200 patients was presented with a number of ideas for helping to ease the load on the Practice, including looking after themselves and taking some responsibility for their own health and wellbeing; exercising, sensible diets and being careful with alcohol consumption. It was pointed out that the number of missed appointments was staggering and an appalling waste of valuable resources.



The use of an increasing number of available methods of electronic communications would further save GP and staff time. The audience was introduced to the use of the eConsult tool which was available on the Practice Website at <https://goringwoodcotemedicalpractice.webgp.com/> and would provide information to patients and allow, if necessary, patients to seek answers from their GP. An answer could be expected in 48 hours or less. Patients were encouraged to register for systems such as Patient Access, Evergreen Life and the new NHS App all of which would provide access to health records and test result and avoid patients needing to phone in for this sort of information.



Such was the level of interest in the event the PPG and the Practice are now looking at re-running it in Woodcote in the

near future.

Members of the PPG, and any patients wishing to join the group, were encouraged by Jeremy Hutchins, Chair of the PPG, to sign up to Genie and tick the PPG newsletter box if they wish to receive the PPG's monthly newsletter. This is now the only method of receiving the newsletter.

If you are already a Genie subscriber and are not receiving the PPG newsletter, you can add the PPG Newsletters to those you already receive by 'updating your preferences'. You do this by clicking on the link in the black section at the very bottom of this or any newsletter. When you click the link, a new window will open, showing your 'profile'. You simply click to tick the box beside the newsletter/s you wish to receive and then click on the 'update profile' at the bottom left hand corner of the window. Why not go to the end of this newsletter and do it now?

To see the archive of the 3 previous PPG Newsletters sent out by Genie, [click this link](#).

The world's best women cyclists race through Goring and South Stoke on 12 June towards Blenheim Palace

As anticipated, the fast-moving spectacle was watched by many local residents and school children along the route.



There were 96 riders (16 teams of 6) accompanied by around 30 marshals and TV cameramen on motorcycles. About 30 motorcycle police and police cars worked a 'rolling roadblock' to allow the competitors to cycle flat out throughout the route. The whole 91 miles between Henley and Woodstock, near Oxford was covered by the winner, Jolien D'hoore from Belgium, in 3 hours 46 minutes with an average speed of 24mph. Overnight race leader Marianne Vos was one of a number of riders forced to abandon mid-stage following a crash involving many riders near Didcot, ten of which needed hospital treatment.

<https://www.womenstour.co.uk/jolien-dhoore-wins-second-stage-of-2019-ovo-energy-womens-tour-at-blenheim-palace/>



Sixty eight guests from Bellême, Normandy in Goring on 8 June celebrating the 40th Twinning Anniversary

A message from the Goring & District Twinning Committee

An enormous thank you to everyone who hosted, helped, encouraged and/or participated in the Goring and District Twinning 40th Anniversary weekend on 7-10 June, when we welcomed 68 guests from Bellême including several first-time visitors. For details of the weekend's events and a report from the committee:

The Country Fair on Saturday was battered by challenging gusts of winds but was cheerfully relocated to the Village Hall whilst La Fraternelle Percheronne dancers and musicians visited Lyndhurst and The Grange to entertain residents there. In the

Village Hall there was a hubbub of camaraderie and lots of participation with the lively music of the Goring and Streatley Concert Band, and later La Fraternelle Percheronne. The various guided walks were extremely well attended and boat trips along the Thames were a highlight for many visitors.

A gala dinner on Saturday evening with entertainment from Goring Little Ukulele Group was enjoyed by 120 guests, with traditional chicken and leek pie and trifle supplemented by a wide variety of hors d'oeuvres and a cheeseboard. A slideshow of highlights from the past forty years tested the new Village Hall audio visual system and triumphed.

Sunday saw a coach trip to Oxford with various options including different guided tours in French and a visit to the Westgate Centre. A hog roast reinvigorated participants before a choral service/concert at St Thomas' Church which was much complimented by our French guests. A relaxing final evening with hosts followed, with a chance to group and regroup with quite a bit of sign language, before farewells on Monday morning.



The next Twinning visit will be to Bellême for the Mushroom Festival which is held during the weekend of 4-6 October. More details to follow but please save the date: we would love you to join us. More details at: goring-twinning.co.uk



This twice monthly 'Planning Alert' lists all the current planning applications submitted to SODC (South Oxfordshire District Council) and WBC (West Berkshire Council) relating to properties in Goring, Streatley and South Stoke, and occasionally other applications that are locally relevant. They are listed by parish, in expiry date order, so the applications with the shortest periods in which to respond are at the top.

Should you be interested in finding out more, or commenting on any of these applications, click on the Reference number link to the application. To make a comment to the planning department, follow the advice given on the application. New applications, if there are any, will be added to the lists in subsequent Alerts and existing ones will remain until the consultation period has expired.

Click below to see details of nine applications for Goring, five for Streatley, and none for South Stoke.

STREATLEY

Location: The Swan at Streatley, High Street, Streatley, RG8 9HR

Proposal: Replacement hotel signage

Reference Number: [19/01377/ADV](#)

Consultation Deadline: 28 June 2019

Location: Childe Court, Church Lane, Streatley, RG8 9HT

Proposal: New brick boundary wall on the northern boundary to replace removed Leylandii trees

Reference Number: [19/01268/HOUSE](#)

Consultation Deadline: 2 July 2019

Location: Cintra, Streatley Hill, Streatley, RG8 9RD

Proposal: Extension to first floor involving extension and alterations to roof.
Addition of covered verandah and store to west end of bungalow.
Demolition of existing garage and construction of new drive and parking area at rear.

Reference Number: [19/01421/HOUSE](#)

Consultation Deadline: 2 July 2019

Location: The Swan Hotel, High Street, Streatley, RG8 9HR

Proposal: Application for a variation of the Premises Licence. The Application Notice can be viewed [here](#). (The Premises Licence was decided on 10 April 2019.)

The site plan can be viewed [here](#).

The April Decision can be viewed [here](#).

Reference Number: [19/00758/LQN](#)

Consultation Deadline: 10 July 2019

Location: Bennetts Wood Farm, Streatley, RG8 9ST

Proposal: Residential Mobile Home.

Reference Number: [19/01488/CERTE](#)

Consultation Deadline: No consultation deadline yet given, though target decision date 2 Aug 2019

SOUTH STOKE

None.

GORING

Location: 9 Holmlea Road Goring-on-Thames RG8 9EX
Proposal: Single storey rear extension and new dormer to extend existing bathroom
Reference Number: [P19/S1650/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: 25 June 2019

Location: 22 Clevedeme Goring RG8 9BU
Proposal: Proposed single storey rear and side extension with internal alterations.
Reference Number: [P19/S1696/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: 25 June 2019

Location: Bridge House Thames Road Goring RG8 9AH
Proposal: Addition of new boundary garden wall to front of property.
Reference Number: [P19/S1612/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: 26 June 2019

Location: Greenways Farm Road Goring RG8 0AB
Proposal: Proposed ground and first floor side extension
Reference Number: [P19/S1599/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: 26 June 2019

Location: 2 Elvendon Road Goring RG8 0DU
Proposal: Demolition of existing boiler showroom and erection of two new semi-detached dwellings and associated external works.
Reference Number: [P19/S1832/FUL](#)
Consultation Deadline: 5 July 2019

Location: Bromsgrove Croft Road Goring RG8 9ES
Proposal: Discharge of condition 3 on P19/S0540/FUL (new 5-bed dwelling & garage on land to the rear) - demolition and replacement of existing garage, railings the front of existing dwelling.
Reference Number: [P19/S1667/DIS](#)
Consultation Deadline: Not subject to public consultation - Target Decision Date 5 July 2019

Location: The Pavilion Thames Road Goring RG8 9AH
Proposal: Variation of conditions on P18/S1983/FUL (demolition of existing dwelling and construction of replacement dwelling and garden room).
Reference Number: [P19/S1699/FUL](#)
Consultation Deadline: 10 July 2019

Location: Beachwood House Elvendon Road Goring RG8 0DT
Proposal: Existing rear elevation dormer windows (2) are to be extended forward by 450mm allowing cill level to be dropped to a normal level. Hip roof changed to provide space to add extra glazing above to provide better daylight to bedroom.1 small velux window added to match the existing
Reference Number: [P19/S1834/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: TBA (when officer is allocated)

Location: Byfield 47 Gatehampton Road Goring RG8 0EN
Proposal: 2-storey side extension plus the conversion of the rear hip into a gable end, removal of chimney and internal alterations to ground and first floors.
Reference Number: [P19/S1870/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: TBA (when officer is allocated)

To visit SODC's planning website:

<http://www.southoxon.gov.uk/services-and-advice/planning-and-building/find-application>

Information on how to comment on a SODC application:

<http://www.southoxon.gov.uk/services-and-advice/planning-and-building/find-application/comment-planning-application>

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To visit WBC's planning website:

<https://publicaccess.westberks.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?action=simple&searchType=Application>

Information on how to comment on a WBC application:

<https://info.westberks.gov.uk/representations>

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