

## Welcome to Genie's latest 'Village Matters' newsletter

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Thank you.*

In this issue: traffic delays on 10/11 August; what's on in August; new wildlife competition; police open day; news from Goring High Street – and our latest update of new planning applications.



### Significant traffic delays expected around Goring railway bridge area over weekend of 10 & 11 August

Four sets of 4-way traffic lights will be positioned on the High Street (on railway bridge), Red Cross Road, Farm Road and Wallingford Road (near Lockstile Way) on Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 August. The footways over the bridge will be closed for this period, but pedestrian access will be maintained in different protected sections of the road over the two days. The traffic lights

will only be in operation between 9.30am and 2.30pm on both days.

The work by the contractor (JSM) is on behalf of a telecoms company to make trial holes in both footways (one side each day) over the bridge to investigate whether there is enough room below the footways for additional cable ducting for a new telecoms connection.

Detailed maps of the layout of the traffic lights and the investigation areas on both days can be accessed by clicking this [link](#).

## Update on developments on Goring High Street

### Vacant Arcade Unit 4

Planning permission from South Oxfordshire District Council was granted on 19 July for 'Change of Use' from Class A1 (Retail) to Class D2 (Leisure & Entertainment). The application was for a Pilates/Yoga Studio. A new business can be expected to open during the summer. Click [here](#) for a copy of the planning consent.

### Vacant Arcade Unit 7

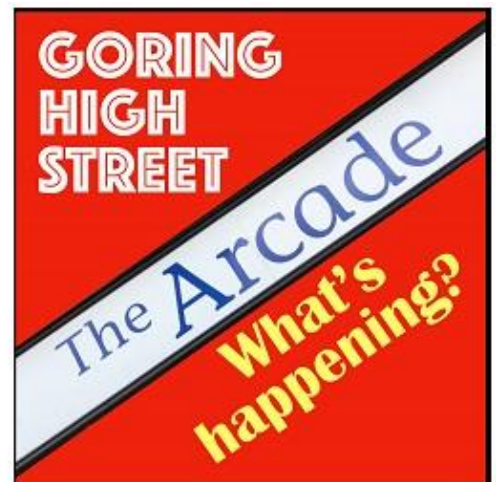
A planning application for a Change of Use from Class A1 (Retail) to Class A2 (Financial & Professional Services) has been submitted. The target decision date is 2 September 2019.

### Swift Office Stuff

The stationery and office supplies shop will close on 31 July.

### Fish & Chip Shop

The opening date has been pushed back to some time in August.



## A wildlife competition to be launched on 3 August Entry forms available in 3 Goring locations

Open to people of all ages, a prize will be awarded to the person who can identify and name the greatest number of wildflowers and the number of bees in the large 6m long mural on platform 4 of Goring & Streatley station.

Entry forms can be collected from the waiting room on platform 4, Goring library and Warmingshams in Goring High Street. The closing date is 31 October and full details are on the entry form. The painting was commissioned by Goring-on-Thames in Bloom to stimulate interest in our diverse local flora and fauna and illustrates many of the wildflowers native to the chalk grasslands of the Goring Gap. The artwork also brightens up the station and complements the other horticultural enhancements being

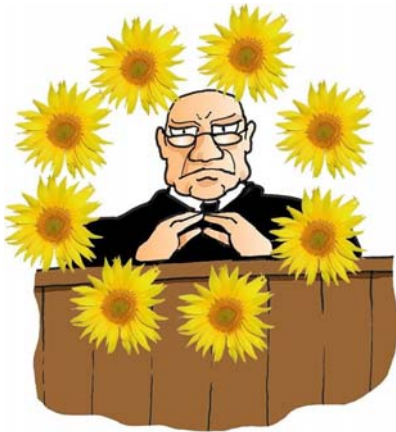


introduced to the station.

**Goring is being inspected on 1 August** by two national Royal Horticultural Society judges, as one of seven finalists in the UK in the 'small town' category of the Britain in Bloom competition.

## Coming up in August

The morning of **1 August** brings the judges from Britain in Bloom, casting their eyes over Goring's efforts in the national finals. It is the culmination of many months of hard work aimed at showing them our clean and tidy and beautiful village at its best. So, bring in those bins and pick up that litter, let's impress the judges with our blooming efforts.



The horticultural effort does not end there – on **Saturday 17 August** the Village

Greenfingers have their 25<sup>th</sup> Summer Show. All can enter and there are all sorts of categories to choose from so why not have a go? You may find yourself with a rosette or two.

On **Saturday 10 August** it's the 76<sup>th</sup> Cholsey Village Show. This has a wide range of attractions and a fun dog show, as well as the traditional marquee of produce, craft and photo exhibits.

On the evening of **Monday the 12<sup>th</sup>** there is a rather special event in Streatley. Known as the Night Glow, it is a dusk display of tethered hot air balloons glowing in the twilight and breathing like dragons. Magic.

The WI are providing tea and cake on the lock green on two Sundays in August – **the 18<sup>th</sup> and the 25<sup>th</sup>**. On the 18<sup>th</sup> you can enjoy an afternoon concert by the Concert Band as you sip your tea.

There don't seem to be any local evening concerts this month, but there's always the Reading Festival on **23-25 August**. After that you'll just be back in time for the Open Gardens at South Stoke on **Monday 26 August**, and then there is the Wallingford Bunkfest which runs from **Friday 30 August to Sunday 1 September**. A busy end to the month with something for everyone.

For more information about all the above events and many more please consult the Genie calendar:  
<https://www.genienews.org/enewsletters/calendar-events-planner/calendar/>

## Opportunity to see behind the scenes of the Forensic Investigation Unit, Specialist Operations Team, Helicopter Team, Dogs Section and over 50 other police exhibitors

This popular free annual Open Day at Sulhamstead (RG7 4DX), near Theale, is well worth a visit if you are interested in how the Police operate. They are showcasing their various units' work and putting on 11 talks throughout the day, including on how 999 and 101 calls are handled and how their family liaison unit works.



The Centre is open between 10am and 4pm and there are many fun activities for all the family. Look out for further information in the lead up to the event on the [Thames Valley Police Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) channels.

## What do you think of your local Polling Station? SODC are interested in your views



Residents are being encouraged to comment on the location and facilities of their local Polling Station. South Oxfordshire District Council is carrying out a review to ensure the stations meet the needs of voters. They are especially keen to hear from disabled residents regarding locations, facilities and access issues.

If you would like to offer a comment, please make contact by telephone: 01235 422528, email: [elections@southandvale.gov.uk](mailto:elections@southandvale.gov.uk) or via the SODC website: <http://www.southoxon.gov.uk> Closing date for comments: Friday 27 September 2019.



**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 five applications for Goring, six for Streatley, and one for South Stoke.**

## **STREATLEY**

**Location:** Elm Lodge, Wallingford Road, Streatley, RG8 9JR  
**Proposal:** Erection of a satellite dish (Retrospective)  
**Reference Number:** [19/01634/House](#)  
**Consultation Deadline:** **6 August 2019**

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**Location:** Land to rear of Sunfield, Townsend Road, Streatley  
**Proposal:** New House  
**Reference Number:** [19/01819/FULD](#)  
**Consultation Deadline:** **6 August 2019**

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**Location:** South Hays, Lewendon Hill, Streatley, RG8 9SU  
**Proposal:** New two-bay outbuilding  
**Reference Number:** [19/01733/House](#)  
**Consultation Deadline:** **7 August 2019**

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**Location:** Elm Lodge, Wallingford Road, Streatley, RG8 9JR  
**Proposal:** Demolition and rebuilding of chimney stack, installation of satellite dish, removal of fireplace in bedroom 3, removal of internal stud walls forming the kitchen and passageway to the annexe, removal of sash window and unauthorised aluminium double doors and replace with timber french doors, double glazed first floor window, modifications to first floor family

bathroom, repairs to ceiling of basement area underneath drawing room and retention of unauthorised dining room floorboards.

Reference Number:

[19/01591/LBC2](#)

**Consultation Deadline:**

**14 August 2019**

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**Location:**

**Bull Inn, Reading Road, Streatley, RG8 9JJ**

Proposal:

Remedial works to northern elevation, including chimney stack

Reference Number:

[19/01894/LBC2](#)

**Consultation Deadline:**

**15 August 2019**

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**Location:**

**Land west of Bower Farm (Streatley Warren), Aldworth,**

Proposal:

Install replacement 11kw pole (Sect 37 of Electricity Act 1989)

Reference Number:

[19/01904/FORMB](#)

**Determination Deadline:**

**25 September 2019**

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## SOUTH STOKE

**Location:**

**Ferry House Ferry Road South Stoke RG8 0JL**

Proposal:

Discharge of condition 3 Tree Protection (General) of planning permission P19/S0613/FUL Installation of purpose built tennis pavilion next to tennis court.

Reference Number:

[P19/S2316/DIS](#)

**Consultation Deadline:**

**Not subject to public consultation - Target Decision Date 2 September 2019**

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## GORING

**Location:**

**West Croft Cleeve Road Goring RG8 9BG**

Proposal:

Demolition of existing dwelling house, construction of replacement family home with ancillary outbuildings, parking/amenity space, landscaping & associated works

Reference Number:

[P19/S2102/FUL](#)

**Consultation Deadline:**

**31 July 2019**

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**Location:**

**High Gable 72 Wallingford Road Goring RG8 0HN**

Proposal:

Front and rear two storey extensions

Reference Number:

[P19/S2156/HH](#)

**Consultation Deadline:**

**2 August 2019**

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**Location:**

**The Boathouse High Street Goring RG8 9AB**

Proposal:

Discharge of Conditions 1- 3, 5-7, 9,10,12. Demolition of existing fire damaged dwelling and boathouse. Application for replacement dwelling out of the floodplain. (As amended by drawings received 20 March 2019).

Reference Number:

[P19/S2200/DIS](#)

**Consultation Deadline:**

**Not subject to public consultation - Target Decision Date 22 August 2019**

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**Location:**

**7-8 The Arcade High Street Goring RG8 9AY**

Proposal:

Certificate of lawfulness for proposed change of use A1 to A2

Reference Number:

[P19/S2151/LDP](#)

**Consultation Deadline:**

**Target Decision Date 2 September 2019**

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**Location:**

**26 Valley Close Goring RG8 0AN**

Proposal:

Single Storey side extension and part garage conversion to habitable space.

Reference Number:

[P19/S2306/HH](#)

**Consultation Deadline:**

**No officer yet assigned - Target Decision Date 16 September 2019**

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To visit SODC's planning website:

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

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

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

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

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