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Welcome to Genie's latest 'Village Matters' newsletter

Please forward this email to anyone you feel may also like to receive these newsletters. Thank you.

Submission date for articles for the next issue is 12 April

In this issue: Road closures; Food bank needs donations; Beacon Flooring refurbishment; Easter Egg crates; Easter trails; Citizens Advice seeks volunteers; GWR latest; Nottingham Knockers warning; Local council news and our latest update of parish council meetings and new planning applications.



Road Closures in Woodcote and Hampstead Norreys

1. B471 Closure Woodcote

The B471 through Woodcote will be closed from 30 March to 1 April 2021.

Limited access will be maintained for emergency service vehicles and for frontages within the closed section of road, subject to the progress of the works

Suggested alternative route: via Goring Road, B4526, A4095, Reading Road and vice versa. See here for plan.

2. B4009 closure Hampstead Norreys

Church Street, Hampstead Norreys, will be closed from the 6 to 9 April 2021, the closure will be from its junction with Unnamed Road from Forge Hill to Yattendon (known as Yattendon Rd) and its junction with Water Street.

The alternative route for all vehicles affected, is via the following:

- Local diversion (non HGV) Unnamed Road from Forge Hill to Yattendon (known as Yattendon Rd), Unnamed Road from Everington Lane to Everington Farm & Forge Hill, Everington Hill, Everington Lane, Yattendon Rd, and vice versa.
- HGV diversion (from Streatley to Newbury), A329 (to Pangbourne), A340 (to Theale) A4 (to Newbury), and vice versa.

Residential access will be maintained throughout and the diversion will be signed on site. Blue light access will be maintained.

All enquiries should be directed to: KCD on 0800 316 9800 or 0845 2411 252

A plan of the closure can be found at: (click on link) https://one.network/?tm=GB12161272

Local Foodbank Appeal

A message from Q1:



The Hub (Q1 Foundation) has been overwhelmed by the super response to our HubGrub foodbank appeal - thank you to everyone who has been supporting with food and toiletries, or making a donation online.

It is so needed, and so gratefully received. We will update needs regularly on the board outside The Hub and on our Facebook page.

Over recent months, Q1 Foundation has also been helping local people in Goring (via the Southern Emergencies fund) by providing fresh food to supplement the food bank parcels and helping with energy bills. Sadly this funding has now run out. We have secured a small amount via the Berkshire Community Foundation and other sources for a similar scheme in Streatley. However, we urgently need more funding to continue our work alleviating hardship and providing support to people in Goring and South Stoke, and in Streatley when this runs out. We are asking if you can help?

Donations can be made online at: <u>http://www.justgiving.com/campaign/HubGrub1</u> or contact The Hub for other ways to donate. Even a small donation could make a huge difference to one of our neighbours.



Q1 Easter Trail

Q1 writes

Our charity Easter Trail is here!

Running over the Easter weekend and following week, hop over to

www.justgiving.com/campaign/TheHubEasterTrail_to find out more, and get a link to your trail map and answer

sheet (or email info@q1foundation.org.uk for more details). You can see the poster here.

Thank you and Hoppy Easter!

Reminder about the FOGL Easter Trail

Announced in Village Matters 82, this is a another Easter Trail, running now

Some nefarious individual has been stealing vegetables from Mr McGregor's garden! Kate from the Library is on the trail but the only way to track down the villain is to find all the letters on display in houses around the village. You can then rearrange them to spell out the culprit's name. A map showing the locations of the letters is now available on www.fogl-oxon.co.uk (click on this picture on the web page) and accusations can be posted through the library door. There will be a prize draw on Saturday 17 April at 1pm to reward the successful sleuth. Good luck!



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Easter Egg Crates – South Stoke School Fundraiser

Easter crates containing Easter treats and personalised with your child's name are being sold by South Stoke School.

They cost £16 each and all money raised will go to the school.



For more information please contact email alisonhannigan@btinternet.com or phone 07715 884900.

No more coffee and newspapers at Goring & Streatley station, at least for a while

The Coffee Shop closed its doors for the last time in June 2020, along with three other shops in Goring: Ferry Lane Florist, Faulkner & Wells and Kutz UK, all casualties of lockdown, as reported In Genie Village Matters issue 65.

The lease from the company operating the coffee shop service was handed back to GWR, who tried to find a new company to take it on. However, as a dearth of passengers and an uncertain prospect of people using the

trains during the pandemic made the morning-only service unviable, unsurprisingly GWR had no takers.

Last week workmen started to convert the shop to additional office space for use by GWR staff. The company told Genie that their long-term plan is to reinstate the coffee shop service in the future when demand for travel returns

See this link for a message from Mark Hopwood, Managing Director GWR, about re-opening of more services.



A makeover for Beacon Flooring, in Goring High Street, before reopening on 12 April

Dan and Emily are taking the opportunity of the latest, and we hope the last, lockdown to refresh the shop front with a new colour scheme and signage. They are keen to let customers know that the painting over of their old sign is simply to rebrand the business, which they are planning to finish soon, and that they are still operating as normal behind the scenes.

Contact details remain the same: www.beaconflooring.co.uk, info@beaconflooring.co.uk and mobile 07500 109081.

Goring Parish Council – outward going Facebook

The parish Council have decided they want to have an outward going Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/GoringOnThamesParish, as an additional way of sharing information.

Messaging is switched off on their Facebook page and so the normal ways to contact the PC are still:

To the Clerk: Clerk@GoringParishCouncil.gov.uk

Planning: Planning@GoringParishCouncil.gov.uk

Facilities: Facilities@GoringParishCouncil.gov.uk Or: WHBG@GoringParishCouncil.gov.uk

NOTE: the parish office remains closed to visitors at this time. If the government restrictions are lifted in accordance with their currently published expected dates, this will be reconsidered.

On a day to day basis, the general Facebook content will be relevant shares from the OCC / SODC / TVP feeds / Road Closures as "events".



Latest news and reports from SODC and WBC

Click the links to read more

SODC:

- moving high voltage power lines underground
- new support for local communities agreement to develop a joint Plan with Vale of White Horse
- <u>council</u> and the Leader gives her latest report on 25 March.

WBC:

View WBC's comprehensive 26 March update on Covid, the vaccination programme, business grants and more.

citizens

advice

Citizens Advice needs volunteer advisers

They write:

We can all face problems that are too stressful or complicated to sort out alone.

In 2019 our 150 volunteers advised over 11,000 people. We helped three quarters resolve their debt, benefits, employment and housing problems. We now need more advisers to help us during and after the

Covid-19 crisis.

Our main offices are in Abingdon, Didcot, Henley and Thame. Since March 2020, 90 volunteers and staff have been advising the public from home on our Adviceline service. Recently we partially re-opened our offices, in part to train new advisers.

What will you get out of it? You will join a friendly team, meet new people, develop your skills and make a real difference to people's lives.

You'll need to have good listening and interpersonal skills, a willingness to learn and be confident with computers. Full training will be provided.

If you have eight hours a week to spare for the next two years or more and are looking for a satisfying and stimulating volunteer role in your local community, please contact us at: www.citizensadvice.org.uk/local/oxfordshire-south-vale/volunteer/.



'Nottingham Knockers' active locally

These are people who go door to door selling household goods.

You are advised:

not to answer the door to such people; and not to purchase from them





For more information see this link: https://www.actionfraudalert.co.uk/images/site_images/39616_Nottingham_Knockers_leaflet_26_02_18.pdf

MEETING DATES of forthcoming Parish Council meetings and MINUTES of decisions made at previous meetings

The purpose of 'Meetings & Minutes' is to help keep residents of Goring, Streatley and South Stoke informed about their council's forthcoming meetings and to provide easy access to the minutes of previous meetings. Please note that meeting dates may change and extra meetings may be called. This will be shown on the website.



All council meetings are open to the public and the press (Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960) and probably most, in the foreseeable

future, will be 'virtual' ones due to the Covid-19 pandemic. At the beginning of every meeting there is usually a 'Public Forum' when members of the public can address the council. Click on the link below for your parish council's web page for up-to-date details of meetings, agendas, minutes and how to log on etc.

Goring-on-Thames PC

Tuesday 27 April at 7.30 pm (Planning Committee Meeting) Monday 10 May at 7.30 pm (Full Council Meeting)

- Council meetings are usually on the second Monday of every second month month at the Bellême
- Room, Goring Village Hall. Planning committee meetings are usually held in the council's meeting room in the Old Jubilee Fire Station, Red Cross Road, Goring on Thames.

Contact details for the clerk: Tel: 01491 874444. Email: clerk@goringparishcouncil.gov.uk

Streatley PC

Dates of individual meetings are not normally published on the council's website but usually held on the second Monday of every month (except August), starting at 7.30pm, and are held in the Morrell Room.

Contact details for the clerk: Tel: 07766 541577 Email: clerk@streatley.org

South Stoke PC

Council meetings are usually held on the third Monday of each month (except December) in South Stoke Village Hall. See website for details

Contact details for the clerk: Email: clerk@southstoke.org.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 six applications for Goring, seven for Streatley, and one for South Stoke.

STREATLEY

Location: Proposal: Reference Number: Consultation Deadline:

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Reference Number: **Consultation Deadline:** 5 Pound Cottages Wallingford Road Streatley Reading RG8 9JH Addition of 4 Conservation Rooflights 21/00303/CERTP 8 April 2021

Chaddleworth Streatley Reading RG8 9PR

T1 - Turkey Oak - reduce canopy by 1.5/2m tip reduction; remove deadwood; remove pendulous lower limb back to included union that hangs over the garage (as highlighted in photos). 21/00483/TPW | T1 9 April 2021

Oriel House Townsend Road Streatley Reading RG8 9LH Two storey front extension, new entrance porch and minor internal alterations 21/00363/HOUSE 16 April 2021

Rosewood House The Coombe Streatley Reading RG8 9QT Erection of octagonal summerhouse to replace an existing permitted development greenhouse 21/00410/HOUSE

Redwood Townsend Road Streatley Reading RG8 9LH Construction of a single storey garden office and gym 21/00521/HOUSE 29 April 2021

26 April 2021

West Streatley House High Street Streatley Reading RG8 9HY Application for approval of details reserved by condition 3 (materials) of approved 20/01940/LB2 - The addition of a kitchen vent through the roof of the rear extension 21/00292/COND1 5 May 2021

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Location: Proposal:	 Wood Farm Road Known As Lewendon Hill Streatley Reading West Berkshire RG8 9SU Application for approval of details reserved by condition (4) Inspect of work prior to further work of planning permission 20/02938/LBC2 - The demolition of single storey 1950's additions comprising a conservatory, entrance lobby, utility room, storage, a wc, an external store and redundant chimney. The removal of a section of wall beneath an east facing window. The relocation and screening of an oil tank. The construction of a single storey extension comprising a new family entrance, boot room, utility room, two wc's and plant room, family room/breakfast area and small rectangular addition to the existing kitchen.
SOUTH STOKE	
Location:	Cavendish Cottage Ferry Road South Stoke RG8 0JP
Proposal:	Erection of single storey timber clad detached garden room/outbuilding.
Reference Number: Consultation Deadline:	P21/S0798/FUL 8 April 2021
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GORING	
Location:	The Orchard Manor Road Goring RG8 9DP Discharge of condition 5 (Archaeological Watching Brief) on application
Proposal:	P20/S2910/FUL new single-storey dwelling. Not subject to public consultation.
Reference Number: Consultation Deadline:	P21/S0525/DIS Target decision date 30 March 2021
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Location:	Dorvic Fairfield Road Goring RG8 0EX Discharge of conditions 3 (tree protection), 4 (drainage), 5 (materials)
Proposal:	& 6 (landscaping) on application P20/S0372/FUL demolition and replacement of dwelling. Not subject to public consultation
Reference Number: Consultation Deadline:	P21/S0639/DIS Target decision date 31 March 2021
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Location:	The Orchard Manor Road Goring RG8 9DP
Proposal:	Discharge of condition 8 (Materials) on application P20/S2910/FUL new single-storey dwelling. Not subject to public consultation.
Reference Number: Consultation Deadline:	P21/S0588/DIS Target decision date 6 April 2021
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Location:	5 Red Cross Road Goring RG8 9HG Part demolition and erection of single storey rear extension
Proposal: Reference Number: Consultation Deadline:	Part demontant election of single storey rear extension <u>P21/S0869/HH</u> 8 April 2021

Location:	30 Milldown Road Goring RG8 0BA
Proposal:	Demolition of existing conservatory, replace with single storey rear
Reference Number:	extension, new roof finish and rooflights above kitchen. <u>P21/S1064/HH</u>
Consultation Deadline:	17 April 2021
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Location:	Glendale Elmhurst Road Goring RG8 9BN
Proposal:	Discharge of conditions 3(Materials), 4(Surface drainage) & 5(foul drainage) on application P20/S2961/FUL 3-bed detached dwelling. Not subject to public consultation.

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-planningapplication

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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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