

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 26 June

In this issue: Hook End Lane closure; Goring Post Office; Open Garden Sunday; St Andrew's Bursaries; Hub updates; Goring Brownies; Holiday scams; Festival & Jubilee success; Citizens Advice seeks help – and our latest update of new planning applications.

Road Closure – Hook End Lane

22 June 09:30 to 23 June 16:30

This closure will be between the junctions with A329 Reading Road and Aldworth Road.

A plan of the closure can be found at: <https://one.network/?tm=GB129238033>.

For all enquiries please contact the West Berks Highway Maintenance Team on 01635 519080.

The closure is to enable Volker Highways to carry out permanent carriageway repairs on behalf of West Berkshire Council.



Goring Post Office now closed

A Post Van will be parked outside Westholme Stores (Jack's) on Tuesday and Thursday mornings 08.00-10.00.

You can find more details here: <https://www.postoffice.co.uk/branch-finder/7751370/goring-stop>. This web page also has information about other post office services nearby.

It is hoped that another premises to house the post office in Goring will be found before long.

Open Garden at Chaddleworth, Streatley, RG8 9PR

Sunday 19 June 10am-5pm

One acre garden with a variety of garden styles and wooden sculpture in various places around the garden. Teas and cakes available and there will be some stalls.

Entrance £4.50. The garden will be open for the National Garden Scheme which supports a wide range of charities. Tickets available through the NGS – www.ngs.org.uk. Either book ahead online or pay at the gate on the day. Teas charged extra. For more information call: Susan Carter 07711 420 586.

(Chaddleworth is near the Streatley Recreation Ground, accessed from Wallingford Road, Streatley.)



Jubilee Bursaries at St Andrew's Prep School, Pangbourne

For entry into Year 3 in September 2022

To mark The Queen's Platinum Jubilee, St Andrew's School is offering a limited number of means-tested bursaries, of up to 70% fee remission, for entry into Year 3 in September 2022; these are for families in the local community.

Applications are welcome from children in Year 2 who are not currently in independent education, but will make the most of the wide range of opportunities and extra-curricular activities that the School offers.

Successful applicants are likely to demonstrate a strong aptitude and interest in school life, and have the potential to thrive and contribute positively to St Andrew's.

Expressions of interest should be submitted via email to St Andrew's Director of Admissions, Jane Taylor – taylorj@standrewspangbourne.co.uk – by 6.00 pm on Friday 24 June 2022.

www.standrewspangbourne.co.uk; Tel: 0118 974 4276; social@standrewssch

1st Goring Brownies restarting in September

Brownies is about trying new things that teach girls aged 7 to 10 about themselves, their community, and their world

The girls are introduced to a world of new opportunities, challenges, and fun. They learn new hobbies, get creative, develop skills, have outdoor adventures, and earn badges!

They can take part in camps, holidays, day trips and sleepovers. They get together with their friends at regular meetings.

They are also looking for leaders. If you could help every fortnight, or even every week, they would love to hear from you. For more details, please send an email to Brown Owl – Carolyne.Wahlen@btopenworld.com.



Updates from The Hub

The Hub is delighted to have started up a **Strength and Balance** class with Smile with Jo on Mondays at 1.30pm – to help people maintain their fitness and mobility. Contact Claire on 01491 525637 for more details or to reserve a place.

The Hub is also **now open on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month**, 10.30-12.30, thanks to the help of our volunteers. Just drop in for coffee, tea, activities, chat, and to enquire about ways of living well in our community eg information about local groups, or help with online forms etc.

Upcoming activities for the next couple of Communi-Tea Saturday sessions are:

- Saturday 25 June: We'll get our popular **Scalextric** Set out again! (And quieter coffee in the corner)
- Saturday 9 July: **Communi-Tea Talks**: All Yours (who provide free period products locally to those who need them) are holding a Reusable Period Products workshop 11am-12noon. Arrive from 10.30 for coffee. Come along and learn about the different reusable period products available, how to wash and care for them, and how they might be better for your body (and the environment) than disposable products. All Yours will talk you through all the different options, answer any questions you might have and there will be a limited number of samples available if you want to take one home and give it a go. Everyone is very welcome to come and join in. The workshop is suitable for all ages. No need to book. Donations of tampons and sanitary towels welcome!

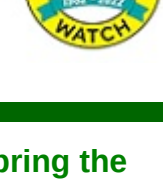
Scams and Holiday Rip-Offs

The link below was is taken from an email from the Thames Valley Neighbourhood Alert

If you are travelling this year and would like a reminder of how petty criminals target tourists, this may be of interest. But bear in mind this list was compiled by an insurance company – it is their job to sell insurance.

<https://www.direct-travel.co.uk/infographic/50-holiday-scams-which-could-ruin-your-holiday/>

The inclusion of this link is purely for the benefit of our readers. Genie remains impartial and does not intend to promote this, or any other insurance company.



GAP Festival and Jubilee bring the Community together

Over the last couple of weeks the villages of Goring and Streatley have been a hive of activity with numerous and varied events going on as part of its ten-day cultural festival which, this year of course, included the 4-day Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

"This year's celebrations in Goring & Streatley were so special" said the GAP Festival's Artistic Director, Ginny Avery. "This is thanks to everyone involved: the Festival and Jubilee sponsors, all the participants and the hundreds of amazing volunteers who gave their time freely to make these events happen for the community – and to everyone who attended the huge variety of festival events, many of which were sell-outs."

The GAP Festival and Jubilee teams would also like to thank all those involved including those who organised events and helped in so many other ways, without whom this programme would have not been possible. A big thank you to the many local residents who attended the street party and to everyone, including those from further afield, who booked thousands of festival tickets and made the whole period such a successful community endeavour. These outstanding and often moving events included arguably the longest Jubilee Street Party in the country and possibly the world record for 'The largest number of people passing a Crown' – over 3,500! (Photo above of Hughie & Janet Fuller. Credit: Martin Wiggall). To watch some aerial video footage of the 1km long Jubilee Street Party on YouTube, click [HERE](#). Best to view 'full screen' (bottom right icon). Video courtesy of Stardrone.

Would you like to share your festival and Jubilee photos and video clips? The team is collating material to share through social media, website, and magazine articles etc. So, if you have any images that you are happy to be used for commemorative and festival promotional purposes, please email them to julia@gapfestival.org. Thank you!

Oxfordshire South and Vale Citizens Advice

Seeking both volunteers and trustees

For full information about what is required and how to apply, please see this [LINK](#) for volunteers and this [LINK](#) for trustees.



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 seven applications for Goring, one for Streatley, and one for South Stoke.

STREATLEY

Location: Littledown Rectory Road Streatley Reading West Berkshire RG8 9LE
Proposal: Installation of a garden room to use as a home office and gym.
Reference Number: [P22/S1927/HOUSE](#)
Consultation Deadline: 17 June 2022

SOUTH STOKE

Location: 8 Chapel Close South Stoke RG8 0JW
Proposal: New front porch roof and new front door location.
Reference Number: [P22/S1998/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: 27 June 2022

GORING

Location: 36 Springhill Road Goring RG8 0DD
Proposal: Single storey front extension for entrance hall
Reference Number: [P22/S1920/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: 18 June 2022

Location: 2 Elvendon Road Goring RG8 0DU
Proposal: Variation of condition 2 (Approved Plans) in application P19/S1832/FUL - demolition of existing boiler showroom and erection of two new semi-detached dwellings. Addition of window and garden room, change of external material finish to better fit with street scene. and associated works.
Reference Number: [P22/S1992/FUL](#)
Consultation Deadline: 22 June 2022

Location: 1 Grange Close Goring RG8 9DY
Proposal: Installation of a 15-panel solar PV system to the front/south facing roof pitch of property
Reference Number: [P22/S1848/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: 24 June 2022

Location: Jordleys Manor Road Goring RG8 9EN
Proposal: Detached triple garage and demolition of existing greenhouse
Reference Number: [P22/S2025/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: 24 June 2022

Location: Croft House Limetree Road Goring RG8 9EY
Proposal: Proposed timber garden room with toilet at the bottom of rear garden to be used as a home office
Reference Number: [P22/S1980/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: 29 June 2022

Location: Loppings 55 Gatehampton Rd Goring RG8 0EN
Proposal: Demolition of existing & construction of new dwelling, outbuilding and greenhouse. Associated landscaping & boundary treatments
Formation of a new crossover & widening of an existing crossover
Reference Number: [P22/S2061/FUL](#)
Consultation Deadline: 29 June 2022

Location: 7 Summerfield Rise Goring RG8 0DS
Proposal: Discharge of conditions 3 (Surface water), 4 (Foul water), 5 (Boundary treatments) & 6 (Landscaping) in P21/S2821/FUL - erection of new dwelling on land adjacent Not subject to public consultation
Reference Number: [P22/S2073/DIS](#)
Consultation Deadline: Target decision date 11 July 2022

Click on the link below for your parish council's web page for up-to-date details of planning and other meetings, agendas, minutes and how to log on etc.



[Goring-on-Thames PC](#); [Streatley PC](#); [South Stoke PC](#)

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>

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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To send in news items, use news@genienews.org

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