

Welcome to Genie's latest 'Village Matters' newsletter

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

Submission date for articles for the next issue is 12 December

In this issue: Pre-school Xmas Fair & Raffle; Christingle; School Governors needed; What's On in December; New shop opens; Reminders; Hosepipe ban lifted; Golf Club news; Virgo re-opening; Seven-a-side - and our latest update of new planning applications.



Streatley Hill Pre-school Christmas Fair and online raffle

Streatley Hill Pre-school will be holding a Christmas fair on Saturday, 3 December from 1-5pm at Goring & Streatley Golf Club.

From the fundraising committee:

We have a wonderful selection of stalls this year to suit all your Christmas shopping needs, from jewellery to art, candles to confectionery and much more.

The Pre-school is also running an online raffle to raise funds. We have a fantastic selection of more than 20 prizes generously donated by local businesses, including: Round of golf for 4 at Goring & Streatley Golf Club

Tickets are just £1 each and you can find out more and buy them here: https://raffal.com/321149/enter-affle-to-win-out-arity-christmas-affle-hosted-by-streatley-hill-pre-school

Be quick - you only have until 4 December to enter.

Christingle Services

The helps us prepare for Christmas

This magical service is also an opportunity to raise funds for vulnerable children through the Children's Society. Christingle celebrations are named after the Christingles that are lit during the ceremony.



Goring: Sunday 4 December, 4pm at St Thomas' Goring, with music led by singers from Goring Primary School Choir

Streatley: Sunday 11 December, 11.15am at St Mary's Streatley

Do please come along, together with your children.

Streatley C of E (VC) School



Streatley School seeks New Governors

Being a school governor is a commitment and a responsibility but offers you the chance to see first-hand the impact you can make in improving education for children in your community.

You can read more details about the role of school governor HERE.

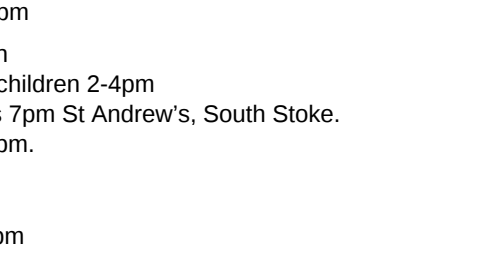
If this is something you might be interested in it is hoped you will apply. The Governors are really keen to have a greater local community voice within their school.

To find out more about the roles, please contact CtoGovernors@sps.w-berks.sch.uk

What's On - for the month of December 2022

Below is a selection of some of the upcoming events on the Genie Calendar

Please go there for details and more events, or to add your own event for free:



December brings a wide variety of local festive events

Table with 2 columns: Date/Day and Event Description. Includes weekly activities at The Hub, mobile post office, winter ball, Christmas Eve, and New Year's Eve.

New Food & Wine store now open in Goring High Street



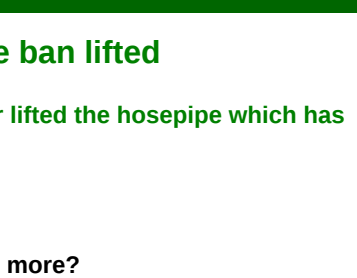
The new store in Goring High Street opened on Monday (28 November) and the old 'McColl's' fascia sign will be replaced later this week with the new name 'Goring Food & Wine'.

As reported in the 30 October issue the new management team, Harry and Vish, are planning to be open 8am to 9pm Monday to Saturday and 8am to 8pm on Sunday.

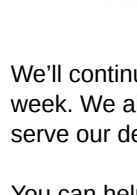
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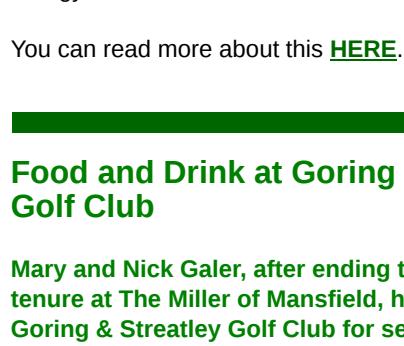
2 December: Goring Late Night Shopping 4-6pm. Including Father Christmas, Punch & Judy, stalls and hog roaster in the Arcade, story telling & cookie decorating for children in the library.



2 December: deadline for the consultation on the proposal for a 20mph speed limit in Goring. Click HERE for the survey.



December Rail strikes: December 13-14 and 16-17. See THIS LINK for information.



Thames Water hosepipe ban lifted

On 22 November Thames Water lifted the hosepipe which has been in force since 24 August

They write:

Why don't we need the ban any more?

There's been continued, heavy rain throughout November and this has made a real difference. The soil is now wet enough for water to begin filling our underground sources.

What's needed in the coming months?

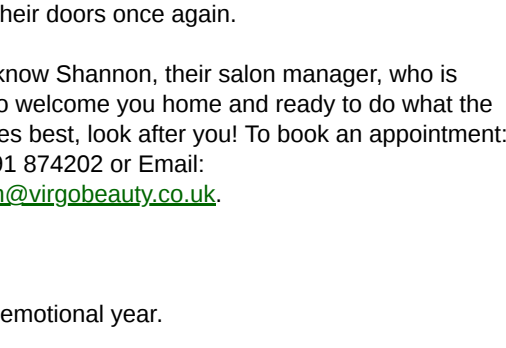
We'll continue to work around the clock to find and fix leaks. At the moment, our teams repair around 1,000 every week. We also want to make sure that our underground sources, rivers and reservoirs get fully stocked up to serve our densely populated region, so we'll be carefully monitoring water levels to track progress.

You can help us by keeping up the good work and using water wisely - the more you save, the less we need to take from rivers and boreholes. You'll be doing the right thing by the environment, and you could also reduce your energy bill.

You can read more about this HERE.

Food and Drink at Goring & Streatley Golf Club

Mary and Nick Galer, after ending their eight-year tenure at The Miller of Mansfield, have now been at Goring & Streatley Golf Club for seven months, taking the Golf Club Food and Drink offering to a new level.



They have changed the menu, some of the decor, the staff uniform and the standards and enhanced the wine list and generally use local suppliers - just like their ethos at The Miller of Mansfield.

Non-members are welcome at the Golf Club to dine on a daily basis, you don't have to be a member - everyone is welcome. The lounge bar menu is served daily from 8am-4pm and is available to anyone with or without bookings.

They have also been working hard to get the halfway hut to offer an all-round 'fresh menu' with homemade sausage rolls, vegetable samosas, homemade soup and lots of lovely fresh cakes, due to the recent employment of friend and local, Caroline Pierrepoint.

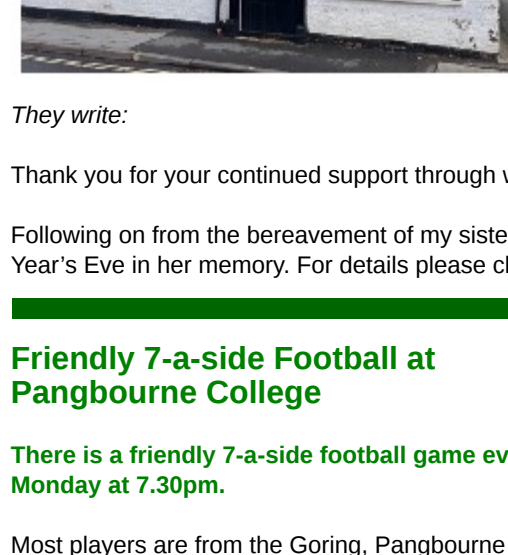
Mary and Nick are keen to see lots of the community get involved at the club, for events such as Christmas parties, Sunday lunches, black tie gala dinner, or whether joining as a Golf member or Social member.



For more details see www.goringgolf.co.uk or email marygaler@goringgolf.co.uk and Nick will be happy to show you around and welcome you to the community Golf Club.

Future events include the following:-

- Sunday Lunches 4 and 11 December. Christmas Party nights 9 & 16 December £42 including 3 courses & DJ. Gala Dinner 23 December £55 black tie dinner including 7 courses and musician.



Virgo Beauty back in Goring

Virgo Beauty of Goring will be reopening on 3 January 2023

The renovations are now completed, and they are ready to open their doors once again.

You will know Shannon, their salon manager, who is excited to welcome you home and ready to do what the salon does best, look after you! To book an appointment: reception@virgo-beauty.co.uk

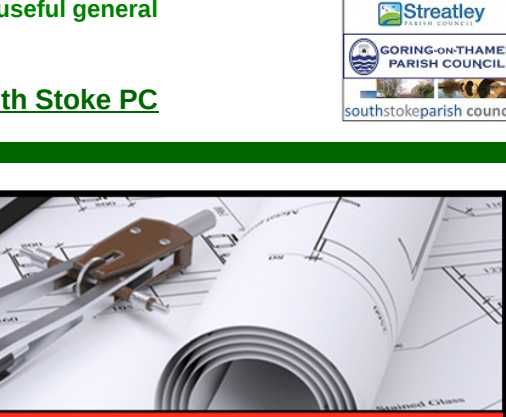
They write:

Thank you for your continued support through what has been an emotional year.

Following on from the bereavement of my sister Marion we would like to invite you to a charity event on New Year's Eve in her memory. For details please click HERE.

Friendly 7-a-side Football at Pangbourne College

There is a friendly 7-a-side football game every Monday at 7.30pm.



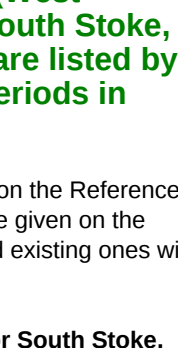
Waiting players are from the Goring, Pangbourne and West Wiltshire area. They sometimes go for a drink afterwards so there is a chance to get to know some more people who live nearby.

All ages (over 18) and abilities welcome.

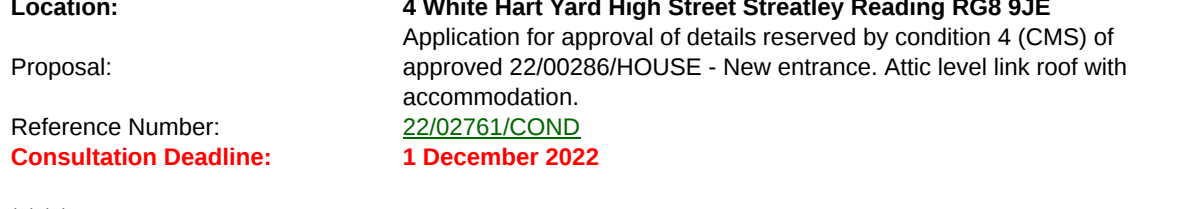
Please text Madoc on 07779 117 569 for more information or to join the Whatsapp group.

Local Parish Councils

Click on the link below for your parish council's website for up-to-date details of planning and other meetings, agendas, minutes and further useful general information.



- Goring-on-Thames PC; Streatley PC; South Stoke PC



This twice monthly 'Planning Alert' lists all the current planning applications being referred 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.

Should you wish to 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, three for Streatley, and one for South Stoke.

STREATLEY

Location: 4 White Hart Yard High Street Streatley Reading RG8 9JE
Proposal: Application for approval of details reserved by condition 4 (CMS) of approved 22/00286/HOUSE - New entrance. Attic level link roof with accommodation.

Reference Number: P22/S3925/HH
Consultation Deadline: 1 December 2022

Location: North View Townsend Road Streatley Reading West Berkshire RG8 9LH
Proposal: 2 new Velux rooflights and 2 new rear facing dormers within existing pitched roof. Minor external amendments to existing garage/store.

Reference Number: P22/S3925/HH
Consultation Deadline: 15 December 2022

Location: The Beeches Streatley Reading RG8 9SU
Proposal: Existing shed to the side of two car garage to be demolished and replaced with 30sqm GIA single storey side extension

Reference Number: P22/S4014/S73
Determination Deadline: 9 January 2023

SOUTH STOKE

Location: Ashmount House Ferry Road South Stoke RG8 0JL
Proposal: To vary conditions(S) 2 (Approved plans) and condition 3 (Materials) under application reference number P21/S5185/HH to alter the roof material on the Pool house to slate (to match the house) & allow for solar PV panels to be incorporated into the south facing roof slope, which faces the garden and to allow for amended plans to be accepted so the roof material of the pool house can be altered to slate.

Reference Number: P22/S4041/S73
Consultation Deadline: 1 December 2022

GORING

Location: 1 Brewery Cottages High St Goring RG8 9AR
Proposal: Addition of new oak timber framed enclosed porch to rear elevation. Listed Building consent.

Reference Number: P22/S3998/LB
Consultation Deadline: 30 November 2022

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Reference Number: P22/S3925/HH
Consultation Deadline: 30 November 2022

Location: The Spinney Manor Road Goring RG8 9ED
Proposal: Retrospective consent for installation of rear extension to new conservatory & general fenestration alterations

Reference Number: P22/S3987/HH
Consultation Deadline: 5 December 2022

Location: South Woden Manor Road Goring RG8 9EB
Proposal: Single storey rear extension.

Reference Number: P22/S4014/HH
Consultation Deadline: 6 December 2022

Location: 8 Wallingford Road Goring RG8 0AH
Proposal: New rear extension and timber framed carport

Reference Number: P22/S4148/HH
Consultation Deadline: 9 December 2022

Location: The Coach House Icknield Rd Goring RG8 0DG
Proposal: Single garage.

Reference Number: P22/S3946/HH
Consultation Deadline: 12 December 2022

Location: Upper Gatehampton House Gatehampton Road Goring RG8 9LT
Proposal: Removal of existing outbuilding; installation of replacement outbuilding

Reference Number: P22/S4130/HH
Consultation Deadline: 14 December 2022

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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