

Welcome to Genie's latest 'Village Matters' newsletter

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Submission date for articles for the next issue is 26 December

In this issue: Ukrainian Christmas special; John Barleycorn closed; Beware of scammers and fraudsters; Christmas Eve Carols in the Rectory Garden, Goring; update from Goring & Woodcote Medica Centre – and our latest update of new planning applications.

Wishing a very Happy Christmas to all our Readers



Ukrainian Christmas special

On Monday 19 December Goring Free Church (GFC) will be hosting a Ukrainian Christmas Special Drop in café from 10am to 12noon.

As with all the drop-ins they have been holding on the third Monday of each month since May, this will be for Ukrainians, their hosts, former hosts, and any friends and interested people. Come and enjoy tea, coffee and cake.

They have a games room available upstairs and simple Christmas activities downstairs.

Above all enjoy meeting together in a Christmas setting.

Closed again – The John Barleycorn pub in Goring closed at the beginning of the month

This quintessentially English hostelry in Goring-on-Thames has closed and Richard Osborne & Lynsay, the JB's most recent landlords, have regrettably had to call it a day trying to operate their business in these current trading conditions. They reopened the JB in August 2021 after the previous landlords, Peter Fisher & Jim Ayliffe closed a while beforehand. (They, in turn, took over in September 2020 from the previous much longer-term landlords, Steve and Monica).



Brakspear Brewery is on the lookout for a new partner to take on the John Barleycorn, so if any reader is interested in finding out more, email Gerard Winder, Business Development Manager: gerard@brakspear.co.uk. Some general and trading information about the JB is on Brakspear's website [HERE](#).



STAY ALERT – The scammers are busy at work trying to extract your money and personal details from you during the festive period.

Here is a poster Thames Valley Police have produced

to help you stay one step ahead of the scammers and not fall for their increasingly credible looking and sounding approaches. See [THIS LINK](#).

A Streatley resident recently had their purse stolen in the Waitrose, Wallingford car park. They had finished their shopping and returned the trolley. When they were about to drive off somebody knocked on the window very insistently and told them someone had run into the back of their car. They got out and went round to the back to have a look and in the meantime an accomplice opened the passenger door and stole their purse. This has also happened in Didcot. **Please always lock the car or take your handbag/purse with you. Never leave them in an unlocked car, even for a minute or two while you buy a parking ticket or return your trolley.**

The National Trading Standards produce regular newsletters about current scams. See [THIS LINK](#) for their December 2022 Scam Marshal Newsletter.

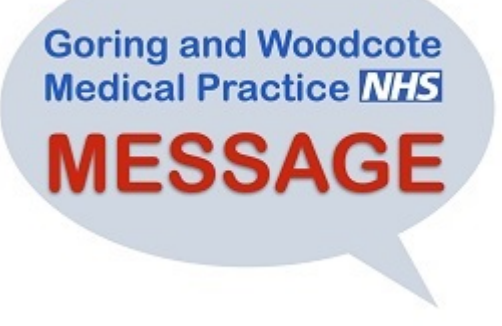
Christmas Eve Carols in the Rectory Garden, Goring

Starting at 6pm

Come and sing and be together to celebrate Christmas in the open air with the Goring and Streatley Concert Band.



Bring a lantern. There will be paper copies of the words but you may like to have them on your phone, should it be wet or very dark – you can download a PDF [HERE](#).



Here are the latest updates sent out by the Goring and Woodcote practice:

Strep A

Group A streptococcus (GAS) is a common bacteria. Lots of us carry it in our throats and on our skin and it doesn't always result in illness. However, GAS does cause several infections, some are mild and easily treated with antibiotics. Read the full update [HERE](#).

Stay well this winter

The colder winter months can have a significant impact on your health and wellbeing. Find advice on how to stay healthy and well this winter [HERE](#).

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 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 four applications for Goring, three for Streatley, and none for South Stoke.

STREATLEY

Location: The Beeches Streatley Reading RG8 9SU
Proposal: Existing shed to the side of two car garage to be demolished and placed with 30sqm GIA single storey side extension
Reference Number: [22/02812/CERTP](#)
Determination Deadline: **9 January 2023**

Location: Mulberry Cottage The Coombe Streatley Reading RG8 9QL
Proposal: Application for a Non-Material Amendment Following a Grant of Planning Permission 22/00093/HOUSE - First floor side/front extension, ground floor single storey rear extension, single storey garage/store extension, single storey summerhouse, hard landscaping and improvements to frontage, new swimming pool, and addition of sustainable features. Amendments: Amendments to the approved arrangement and amount of solar PV panels
Reference Number: [22/02966/NONMAT](#)
Determination Deadline: **30 December 2022**

Location: Cleeve Court Lodge Streatley Reading RG8 9PR
Proposal: Garage conversion and first floor extension to form bedroom including new side windows to existing bedrooms and glazing alterations to kitchen and dining room.
Reference Number: [22/02899/HOUSE](#)
Consultation Deadline: **9 January 2023**

SOUTH STOKE

None

GORING

Location: Southview House Farm Road Goring RG8 0AA
Proposal: Demolition of existing single storey rear extensions and erection of single storey rear extension.
Reference Number: [P22/S4237/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: **20 December 2022**

Location: 21 Springhill Road Goring RG8 0BY
Proposal: Erection of a garden room in the rear garden and retaining wall.
Reference Number: [P22/S4293/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: **23 December 2022**

Location: Ridgeway Rise Bridleway (Goring sly) RG8 0JY
Proposal: Discharge of conditions 7 (Vision splay) and 13 (Energy Statement) of P22/S0924/FUL - erection of a detached two-storey house and garage. Not subject to public consultation.
Reference Number: [P22/S4174/DIS](#)
Consultation Deadline: **Target decision date 16 January 2023**

Location: 23 Grange Close Goring RG8 9DY
Proposal: Modification of Planning Obligation in P87/W0526 to remove restriction on deed that no dwelling (including No 23) can be occupied by a person at the date of first occupation aged under 65.
Reference Number: [P22/S4418/MPO](#)
Consultation Deadline: **Target decision date 30 January 2023**

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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