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Welcome to Genie's latest 'Village Matters' newsletter

Submission date for articles for the next issue is 26 December

In this issue: Torchlight Procession; Road closures; Goring Unplugged; Christmas Tree recycling; latest Goring crime figures; Councillor vacancies; Tender opportunities – and our latest update of new planning applications.



As many of you will now know, the Goring and Streatley Torchlight Procession will be returning this

In a change to past years, Goring residents should gather on Cleeve Road and the Gardiner Recreation

Christmas Eve.

Ground, ahead of the 6pm start. Streatley residents should gather at the bottom of the Coombe, again for 6pm. The two groups will proceed to Streatley Meadows for carols around the bonfire led by the Goring and Streatley Concert Band.

Torches are still on sale from Goring Hardware and Jack's, subject to availability. We ask that no one under the age of 14 carry a burning wax torch on the night.

arrange alternative travel routes and parking during this time.

snacks will be in abundance!

This year any profits from torch sales and collections on the night will be shared equally between Goring Primary School PTA, Streatley Primary School PTA, Streatley Pre-School, Goring Hub and Heart of Streatley Charitable Trust. Please bring some cash for the charity collection on the night.

Please help us to keep the event manageable by bringing your friends, family and neighbours along, but not sharing with the wider world. A polite reminder that the Goring and Streatley High Streets between Cleeve Road and The Bull crossroads will

be closed from 6pm until participants are in The Meadow. This will include Cleeve Road to Glebe Ride. Please

Please come and help clear up the meadow and bonfire site on Boxing Day from 10am. Festive cheer and

We are striving to protect the community-focus of the event by not advertising and trying to avoid online postings.

Merry Christmas from the Goring & Streatley Torchlight Committee! **Road Closure for Torchlight Procession** 

B4009 High St between the A329 (Streatley Crossroads) and Upper Red Cross Road

while the Streatley & Goring Torchlight Procession takes place:.

### The A329 at Streatley crossroads will remain open to traffic. This closure has been authorised by a joint traffic order issued by West Berkshire Council and Oxfordshire County Council. A plan of the closure can be found at

• B4009 Streatley Hill between The Coombe and

The following roads will be closed at some point between 6pm and 8pm on Sunday 24 December 2023

the A329 (Streatley Crossroads)

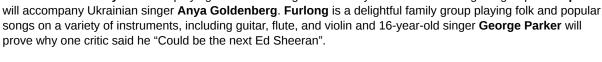
Friday 22 December in the Village Hall

at 8pm. Photo of Furlong: Bernard Novell.

gets everyone's feet tapping!

https://one.network/?tmi=GB28322244. **Goring Unplugged Christmas** Extravaganza

As usual, there will be an eclectic mix of music of all



**Christmas Tree Recycling** Christmas Tree Gardiner recreation ground and Rectory Gardens, Goring

## Goring area reported to Genie by the **Thames Valley Police**

**Notice of Casual Vacancies** 

**Thames Parish Council.** 

16 Nov

24 Nov

07 Dec

Vehicle seizure (Section 165 - no insurance) 16 Nov 18 Nov Theft of building materials – Manor Road. Concern for safety - Waltham Court 22 Nov Theft of Motor vehicle - Icknield Road 23 Nov

Action Fraud - Penny Piece

There are 2 vacancies for councillors on Goring-on-

Suspicious vehicle - Gatehampton Road

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Bring your old tree by Thursday 11 January 2024. Trees left after this date will not be accepted.

Trees larger than 6ft must be cut down in size.

The latest list of local crimes in the

currently is made up of 7 elected and 1 co-opted unpaid Councillors, a Clerk, an Assistant Clerk, a Facilities Assistant, and other support staff. To see the official advertisement, eligibility criteria, how to apply and other relevant information, click the link below to the council's website: <a href="https://www.goringparishcouncil.gov.uk/members/councillor-vacancies/">https://www.goringparishcouncil.gov.uk/members/councillor-vacancies/</a> The deadline for applications is 31 December 2023.

The Goring-on-Thames Parish Council has 10 seats, and

planting in four sites in Goring-on-Thames and Lower Basildon Closing date: 2 January 2024

The successful contractor is also to be employed to attend the site one year later for maintenance which shall

Site 4 – Plant 220 hedge plants into a wooded area

For information about 'Mend the Gap', click HERE.

AONB website **HERE**.

South Stoke PC

**Local Parish Councils** 

Tender opportunities for hedge and tree

be to straighten up hedging and to replace failed hedge plants and broken guards and canes Site 1 - Plant 30 m hedging with fencing Site 2 - Plant 740 m hedge, with fencing

Site 3 - Plant over 150 m of hedge, with fencing and 3 trees

For full details, schedule of works, and evaluation criteria, please view the full specification on the Chilterns

and further useful general information. **Goring-on-Thames PC**; **Streatley PC**;

Click on the link below for your parish council's website for up-

to-date details of planning and other meetings, agendas, minutes

**Planning Applications** 

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,

Current local

which to respond are at the top.

**STREATLEY** 

Reference Number:

**Consultation Deadline:** 

SOUTH STOKE

Location:

Proposal:

None

Proposal:

Location:

Proposal:

\* \* \* \* Location:

Proposal:

Reference Number:

Reference Number:

**Consultation Deadline:** 

will remain until the consultation period has expired.

kinds. Baum and Taylor will be playing Christmas songs on a variety of instruments. Regular group Harlequin Ben Scriven grew up in the Goring area, where his family still live, and will be playing the piano. Greg Mayston is a well-known Musician/Historian who studies American Folk and blues and plays it on original instruments and People are seated at tables, and bring their own food and drink with them, keeping the admission price to a mere

£5. The whole evening is organised by local volunteers, creating a real community spirit. Doors open at 7.30pm, and regulars know they must get here early to find a good table before the show begins



VACANCY FOR COUNCILLOR

GORING-ON-THAMES

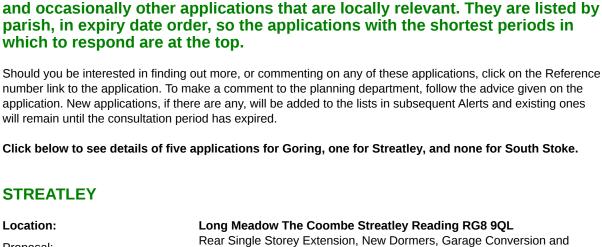
PARISH COUNCIL





Council

**MEETINGS & MINUTES** 



**GORING** Location: 3 Nuns Acre Goring RG8 9BE Proposal: Addition of solar panels to roof. Reference Number: P23/S3430/LDP **Consultation Deadline:** Target decision date 19 December 2023 Location: The Elms Elvendon Road Goring RG8 0DT

Target decision date 19 December 2023

Fernleigh Ferry Lane Goring RG8 9DX

76 Wallingford Road Goring RG8 0HN

First floor extension to create two storey dwelling.

15 The Birches Goring RG8 9BW

Discharge of condition 4(Arboriculture and Tree Protection) on

application P22/S3916/HH - new infill side extension, replacement of store building and double garage. Not subject to public consultation.

Formation of habitable room in roofspace with front and rear rooflights

Removal of existing low pitched roof; new roof over existing side

extension; new front porch roof and new pedestrian gate

New Double Garage

18 December 2023

23/02552/HOUSE

P23/S3786/DIS

P23/S3920/HH

P23/S4077/HH

**4 January 2024** 

P23/S4189/HH

12 January 2024

20 December 2023

## Location: Proposal: Reference Number:

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

To visit WBC's planning website:

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

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:

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

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Information on how to comment on a WBC application:

end of each month. It includes planning applications for Goring, Streatley and South Stoke which are open for comment at the date of publication. Unless stated otherwise, the items will refer to Goring-on-Thames, Streatley, South Stoke and the surrounding villages.

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