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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.

In this issue: Rail Strikes, Goring road closure; Repair Café; What's On in February; Charity coffee morning;

Thames Valley Police alerts; AONBs renamed – and our latest update of new planning applications.

Lane between Mill Road and Bridleway 29 January to 2 February 07.00 to 17.30 daily

Goring Road Closure - Mill Road and

road, subject to the progress of the works. But there will be no vehicular passage under the bridge. Pedestrians and unmounted cyclists can walk under the bridge as normal. Work will be ceased for them.

Limited access will be maintained for emergency service vehicles and for frontages within the closed section of

For a map showing the diversion see **HERE**.

This closure is to facilitate vegetation clearance and brickwork repairs by Network Rail.

Next Repair Café – Saturday, 3 February, 10am-12.30pm in Goring

helpers will be on duty on Saturday to attempt to fix

Village Hall

Over a dozen skilled volunteer repairers and other

virtually anything you can carry in which you would like repaired. It's a free service run by Goring Gap Environmental Organisation to save waste and unnecessary carbon

emissions to help, in a small way, to save the Planet. You can bring up to 2 items for repair but we obviously welcome any voluntary donations to cover the cost of the hall hire and other expenses.

However, if you don't have anything needing to be fixed at the moment, you are welcome to just pop in to have a look at how it all works or have a coffee or tea and some wonderful homemade cake at Café Bellême.

knives and mower blades etc. More information and a photo gallery are available on the website: www.goringrepaircafe.info.

Further GWR Rail Strikes The Aslef union has announced strike action that will

affect GWR, CrossCountry and Chiltern Railways services on Monday 5 February. On Sunday 4 February there will be significant

On **Monday 5 February**, a reduced, revised timetable will operate across several train operators, including GWR. Many parts of the GWR network will have no

service at all and trains that are running will only be operating for a limited period during the day and will be

alternative days.

alterations.

on the Genie Calendar

Sat 3 Feb

Wed 7 Feb

Fri 9 Feb

Sat 10-Sat 17 Feb

services. If you intend to travel where trains are running, please check before you travel. Other train operators are also affected by this action, so onward travel could also be affected. On Tuesday 6 February services could also be affected by a limited number of short-notice cancellations and

extremely busy. There will be no replacement bus

disruption to services and customers should travel on

'Action short of a strike' may cause further disruption from Monday 29 January to Tuesday 6 February, with some short-notice alterations or cancellations. If you are travelling during this period, you should check both outward and return journeys before travelling Further information is available at https://www.gwr.com/strike. Online journey planners are being updated. What's On – for the month of February 2024

Below is a selection of some of the upcoming events

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

7-10.30pm Goring Community Jazz. Jonathan Judge on saxophone

Half term Chinese New Year craft activities at Goring Library during opening

10am-12.30pm Goring Repair Café

7.30pm Village Greenfingers - Fuschias

Wed 14 Feb • 10-11.30am Library IT help/avoiding scams Thurs 15 Feb

hours

Wed 28 Feb Thurs 29 Feb 10.30-12noon u3a Talk: Docklands Old & New

Stall in the Morrell Room, Streatley on Wednesday 21 February 10am to 12.30pm. This is in aid of CIRDIC (Churches in Reading Drop-In Centre) which provides a hot meal, advice and support to the Homeless in Reading. This invaluable

You are invited to a Coffee Morning with Bring & Buy

service gives much-needed assistance to many homeless and vulnerable people in Reading. You can

• 7.30pm WI: Transforming eye care in the world 10.30am-2pm Pick-a-Flick: The Great Escaper Fri 16 Feb 7.30pm Goring Unplugged Mon 19 Feb 2.30pm Goring Gap Local History Society: The Art of Trickery 10am-12.30pm Coffee Morning with Bring & Buy Stall Wed 21 Feb Sun 25 Feb 4pm Piano Recital by Ikuko Inoguchi 10.30-2.30pm Arts Society Goring: The Scottish Colourists

Register for Thames Valley Police alerts Jeremy Spring, representing Streatley Parish Council at the

us how to access crime alerts.

number of alerts listed.

Anybody can register for alerts at:

writes:

find out more from their website: https://www.cirdic.org.uk/

Charity Coffee Morning

Local parishes meet quarterly with Thames Valley Police and West Berkshire Council representatives to discuss a variety of issues including anti-social behaviour, parking, speeding etc.

www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk, where you will find a large

local West Berkshire Neighbourhood Action Group (NAG)

For more details about the Coffee Morning ring 01491 872686.

All Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty renamed as National Landscapes

Last November it was announced that all Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONBs) will now be known as 'National Landscapes'. This includes our local local Chilterns and the North Wessex Downs organisations, two

of the 46 members of the National Landscapes Association.

These new names reflect the national importance of these protected landscapes and the vital contribution that they make to protect the nation from the threats of climate change and nature depletion etc, whilst also creating greater understanding

and awareness of the work these organisation do.

be found HERE, along with the Chilterns National

Landscape **HERE** and North Wessex Downs National

remains the same, however.

Local Parish Councils

Goring-on-Thames PC;

and further useful general information.

Landscape **HERE**.

At a recent meeting the TVP Officer gave out some cards telling Email

Receive FREE crime

alerts and info

about where you

live, work or visi

North Wessex Downs National Landscape

Council

MEETINGS & MINUTES

Streatley

GORING-ON-THAMES

Streatley PC; **South Stoke PC**

Current local

which to respond are at the top.

STREATLEY

Reference Number:

Consultation Deadline:

Location:

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will remain until the consultation period has expired.

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, 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

SOUTH STOKE Location: St Andrews Church The Street South Stoke RG8 0JS Proposal: Change of use from agricultural land to community burial ground. P24/S0299/FUL Reference Number: **Consultation Deadline: 21 February 2024**

19 Elvendon Road Goring RG8 0DP

Land east of Manor Road Goring RG8 9EJ

Discharge of condition 3 (electric vehicle charging points) 4 (Green

P23/S3213/HH - Double storey side extension and revisions to internal

Certificate of Lawfulness for the existing use of the building as two

remodelling; basement and patio extensions; new outbuilding to form a

Travel Plan) & 22 (external lighting) on P23/S3520/S73.

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

Click below to see details of seven applications for Goring, one for Streatley, and one for South Stoke.

south elevations.

24/00015/COND

30 January 2024

P20/S2221/HH)

P24/S0065/HH

P24/S0231/HH **14 February 2024**

1 February 2024

Two new garden rooms

Vine Cottage High Street Streatley Reading RG8 9JD

schedule for the repair of the timber structure of approved

Application for approval of details reserved by conditon 5 (i) Eastern Gable Survey and (ii) Scaled drawings and exact specifications and

23/01465/LBC - Structural and conservation works to cellar, east and

Consultation Deadline: Location:

The Elms Elvendon Road Goring RG8 0DT Location: Discharge of condition 4 (Tree Protection) on P22/S3916/HH - side Proposal: extension; replacement of garage with carport & garage; additional rooflight. 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:

Information on how to comment on a WBC application:

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

South Stoke and the surrounding villages.

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Variation of condition 2 (Approved Plans) on application P22/S0003/RM for Appearance, Layout, Landscaping and Scale -Proposal: erection of 20 dwellings to allow for: Provision of rooflights & sun tunnels; provision of bedroom in roof; repositioning of garages, reconfiguration of parking spaces & widening of driveways on various specified plots. Not subject to public consultation. Reference Number: P24/S0064/DIS Target decision date 29 February 2024 The Beeches 1 Long Meadow Goring RG8 9EG Discharge of condition 4(Surface Water Drainage) on application

Not subject to public consultation.

Target decision date 4 March 2024

Waterfield Cottage Manor Rd Goring RG8 9EN

Location: Stow House Thames Road Goring RG8 9AL Discharge of conditions 3 (tree protection), 4 (landscaping), 5 (drainage), 6 (external windows etc) on P23/S3249/HH - internal

http://www.southoxon.gov.uk/services-and-advice/planning-and-building/find-application/comment-planning-and-building application * * * * * To visit WBC's planning website:

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

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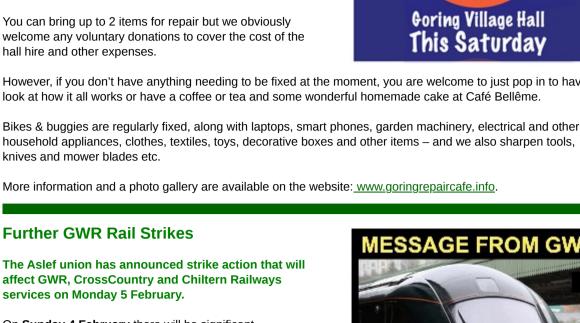
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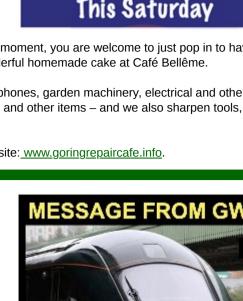
comment at the date of publication. Unless stated otherwise, the items will refer to Goring-on-Thames, Streatley,

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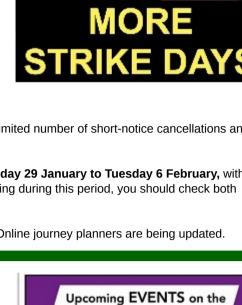
PON'T BIN IT - BRING 14! GORING REPAIR CAFE Goring Village Hall This Saturday

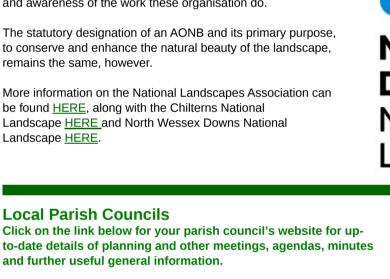


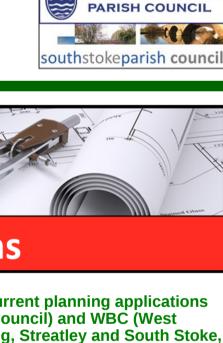


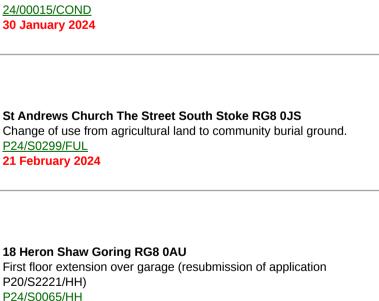












Proposal: separate dwellings Reference Number: P24/S0173/LDE Target decision date 11 March 2024 **Consultation Deadline:**

P24/S0261/DIS

P24/S0257/DIS

layout.

P24/S0079/DIS

Target decision date 18 March 2024

gym. Not subject to public consultation

Target decision date 21 March 2024

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