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Welcome to Genie's latest 'Village Matters' newsletter

Submission date for articles for the next issue is 12 July

In this issue: New map at Goring Station; Goring in Bloom; What's on in July; Graffiti removal; 'Hound of the

countryside for disabled people in Goring

Baskervilles'; Race to the Stones – and our latest update of new planning applications.

at Streatley A new £7,000 orientation plaque was unveiled on Friday 28 June at Goring & Streatley railway station. The

are accessible and enable everyone, but especially disabled people and also families with young children walking with buggies, to enjoy the countryside of the Goring Gap. The routes include the two great national trails, the Ridgeway and the Thames Path, and the two National



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both of whom depend on scooters for their mobility. Frank is a member of MIGGS and Margaret a tireless campaigner for better countryside access who is lead member of the disabled access group in the Mid and West Berks Local Access Forum. The launch event (pictured) was hosted by Great Western Railway. The plaque was funded by grants from Mend the Gap, the South Oxfordshire District Council's Councillor Grant Scheme and the Defra Access for All Fund, managed by Chilterns Conservation Board. John Boler said: "As we have a fully accessible railway station, we wanted to throw open the metaphorical gates to everyone. Disabled people can now travel here safely and confidently by train, using the Great Western Railway's passenger assistance service to and from Goring & Streatley."

Bloom judges will visit Goring again, a day for which the Bloomers have been getting prepared over the past few

# that Goring people value and take pride in their village

look at their gardens and frontages and to remove weeds and litter from the verges to ensure the village looks as tidy and cared for as possible for the visit.

Goring has a long record of success in the prestigious Britain in Bloom competition, but it has been a difficult year in terms of the vagaries of the wet weather, the council cutbacks in road and pavement cleaning and the impact of vandalism on our troughs around the public toilets, as reported in previous editions of Village Matters. However, all is not lost and the Bloomers have been working hard to ensure that we can demonstrate to the judges that in spite of these problems, its villagers and the businesses value their community and care for its environment.

Thank you. Goring-on-Thames in Bloom Committee What's On – for the month of July 2024

Please go there for details and more events, or to add your own event for free: Sun 30 Jun 10am-5pm Withymead open. Cream teas 2-5pm

# Sun 7 July

10am-5pm Withymead open

throughout the year

Tue 9 July 4.45-6pm Junior Lego at Goring library

> • 12 noon Goring Gap News deadline for July edition • 7.30pm Cleeve by Goring WI: Beale Wildlife Park

3-5pm G&S Concert Band play in Wallingford Castle Gardens

Brian Thomas(trumpet) and Glynne Stackhouse (organ/piano)

1.45pm Treble Day (singers age 8-18), St Thomas'

There will be three stages in the process. First, the metal panels need to be thoroughly cleaned with a special degreasing agent to remove all traces of oil, grease and other deposits which may prevent the new paint sticking properly. This will be followed by two coats of a matching green, lead-free anti-rust and corrosion resistant professional paint for metal surfaces which are subject to low temperatures. The final coating is a special graffiti protection system which will prevent graffiti paint penetrating the green paint below and can be removed fairly easily

Tue 16 July 4.45-7pm Social Scrabble

Sat 20 July • 10am-12.45pm Cholsey Repair Café 11am-4pm Wallingford Museum: Family archaeology day Sun 21 July • 10am-5pm Withymead open

Wed 24 July 7.30pm Author talk by Peter Adamson Thurs 25 July 7pm Micron Theatre at Goring lock: Common Ground

Graffiti removal work starts tomorrow

Local volunteers will be starting work on Monday morning and have allocated up to four days next week to finish cleaning and painting both sides of the railway bridge before the RHS judges arrive in Goring on the following Monday.

by soapy water. Let's hope we can remain graffiti-free, at least in this location.

'Hound of the Baskervilles' at Basset Manor

A special fund-raising performance in aid of Citizens Advice

#### citizens advice Oxfordshire South and Vale by the Illyria Theatre Company. 'From the eerie moonlit landscapes of Dartmoor to cryptic clues, this gripping adaptation, performed outdoors, promises an irresistible blend of tension and wit. Prepare for an unforgettable evening of mystery and intrigue!' The show will take place at Basset Manor in Stoke Row, hosted by

#### Baroness Sheehan and family. It will run for 2 hours and 20 minutes, including a 20-minute intermission. Suitable for ages 8

Race to the Stones Saturday 13 July

and over. Bring seating, a rug, folding camp chair etc, suitable clothing and a picnic. Tickets can be obtained from TicketSource.

The Race to the Stones event will start from Lewknor. It will follow the Ridgeway for 100 Km and finish at Avebury. A

residents etc.

way up to Rectory Road, Streatley.

**Local Parish Councils** 

**South Stoke PC** 

Saturday 27 July at 7.30m

This is an annual event and the runners do not usually cause any problems as they are well spaced out and have been briefed about shutting field gates, not disturbing

For more information, please see their website.

field of 2,500 runners and walkers will set off from Lewknor in staggered starts between 6:30am and 9:30am. They will be coming through Goring High Street in waves, on their

date details of planning and other meetings, agendas, minutes and further useful general information. Goring-on-Thames PC; **Streatley PC**;

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

which to respond are at the top.

remain until the consultation period has expired.

STREATLEY

Current local **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

Should you be interested in finding out more, or commenting on any of these applications, click on the Reference

**Consultation Deadline:** SOUTH STOKE

Location:

Proposal:

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Location:

<u>application</u>

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Location:

Pond House The Street South Stoke RG8 0JS the rear garden.

the rear garden. P24/S1838/HH

14 Nuns Acre Goring RG8 9BE Location: Discharge of condition 4(Air Source Heat Pump) on P24/S0373/HH -

P24/S1720/DIS

Target decision date 15 August 2024

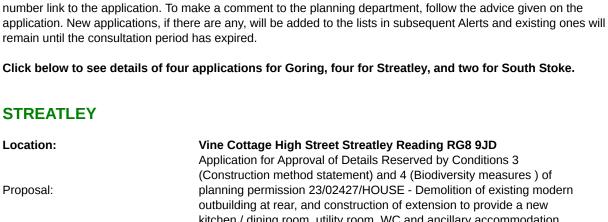
Information on how to comment on a SODC application:

issues associated with this information.

More details on Genie newsletters <u>here</u>.

To visit WBC's planning website: https://publicaccess.westberks.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?action=simple&searchType=Application

Village Matters reports on topical events and items of interest to local residents. It is published at the middle and end of each month. It includes planning applications for Goring, Streatley and South Stoke which are open for



Application for approval of details reserved by conditions 3 (Materials) and 14 (Spoil) of approved 23/01390/FUL - Demolition of existing dwellinghouse and erection of 1no. dwellinghouse and associated Proposal: garage; relocation of access and accompanying landscaping proposals. Reference Number: 24/01106/COND **Determination Deadline: 30 July 2024 Consultation Deadline:** Location: The Churchyard St Marys Church Church Lane Streatley Reading Two x Syringa sp. and One x Prunus spinosa - Removal of three poor specimens of hedge tree, to enable replacement iron fence to be Proposal:

**Determination deadline: 31 Jul 2024** 

Pond House The Street South Stoke RG8 0JS

installation of the fence.

24/01319/TPC

Long Close Aldworth Road Streatley Reading RG8 9RB

installed. Any gaps in the hedge will be replanted following final

Single storey side extension to connect the existing Grade II Listed detached house to the existing outbuilding, in contrasting material and built form, with additional works to the side access including timber

trellising. Outbuilding with attached timber trellised canopy structure to

Discharge of condition 20 (Energy Efficiency) and Variation of condition 2 (Approved Plans) for changes to roof configuration, garages, parking

spaces etc on specific plots. Not subject to public consultation

Bloomsbury Lodge Little Croft Road Goring RG8 9ER

**Consultation Deadline:** 10 July 2024 Location: Proposal:

Proposal: Alterations to existing house to insulate, re-roof and re-clad the roofs and dormers etc. Not subject to public consultation Reference Number: P24/S1848/DIS **Consultation Deadline:** Target decision date 1 August 2024

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

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plaque highlights various routes from the station that

New map for better access to the

months.

Wed 3 July

Fri 5 July

Mon 8 July

Wed 10 July

Fri 12 July

Sat 13 July

Thur 18 July

Fri 26 July

Sat 27 July

Sun 28 July

They will be travelling throughout the village and to Withymead Nature Reserve looking for as much evidence as they can find environment. The Goring-on-Thames in Bloom committee are therefore kindly asking residents and businesses to

On this day The Royal Horticultural Society's Britain in

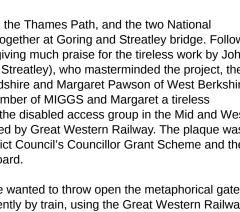
various speeches by Great Western Railway officials and others giving much praise for the tireless work by John Boler, Chairman of MIGGS (Mobility Issues Group for Goring and Streatley), who masterminded the project, the

Monday 8 July – A big day for Goring

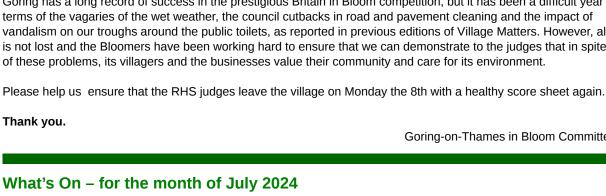
plaque was unveiled jointly by Frank Tomlinson from South Oxfordshire and Margaret Pawson of West Berkshire,

Landscapes, the Chilterns and North Wessex Downs, that come together at Goring and Streatley bridge. Following









Below is a selection of some of the upcoming events on the Genie Calendar 7.30pm Village Greenfingers – talk from Ray Broughton of Sparsholt/RHS: The garden

8pm Goring and Streatley Wine Society: Kay Smitham Mon 8 July RHS Britain in Bloom judges visit Goring 9am onwards

Genie News deadline for mid-month e-newsletter 10am-5pm Art exhibition in Goring Village Hall 10.30am Pick a Flick: One Life

7pm Micron Theatre at Goring lock: Jennie Lee 10am-5pm Withymead open. Cream teas 2-5pm

4pm Annual FoSM Concert in Streatley Church: Stephanie Brodsworth(soprano),

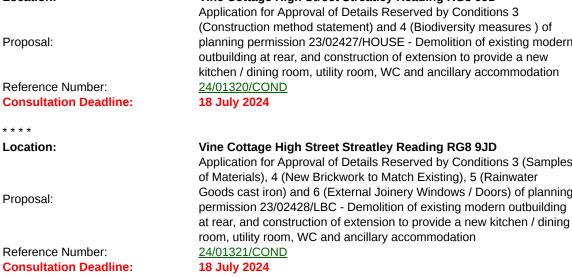




Council

**MEETINGS & MINUTES** 

Streatley



Single storey side extension to connect the existing Grade II Listed detached house to the existing outbuilding, in contrasting material and built form, with additional works to the side access including timber trellising. Outbuilding with attached timber trellised canopy structure to Reference Number: P24/S1832/LB 10 July 2024 **Consultation Deadline: GORING** 

Land east of Manor Road Goring RG8 9EJ

Target decision date 19 July 2024

Erection of single storey outbuilding

Target decision date 13 August 2024

19 Elvendon Road Goring RG8 0DP

Discharge of conditions 3 (biodiversity offsetting) & 4 (lighting) on P24/S1080/FUL - demolition of existing dwelling and erection of two Proposal: detached dwellings. Not subject to public consultation Reference Number: P24/S1964/DIS Consultation Deadline:

P24/S1961/LDP

Information on how to comment on a WBC application: https://info.westberks.gov.uk/representations

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

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