

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.

Submission date for articles for the next issue is 12 September

In this issue: Road closure and Gas pipeline update; Bus Service changes; Possible land disposal; Thames Path diversion; September What's On; Charity lunch; Crime reduction scheme – and our latest update of new planning applications.

Road Closure – Whitchurch on Thames, Ferryboat Inn (B471), RG8 7DB

9-13 September inclusive – full closure 24 hours a day

Limited access will be maintained for emergency service vehicles and for frontages within the closed section of road, subject to the progress of the works.



Suggested alternative routes for traffic: via a combination of Shooters Hill – High Street B4009 – Reading Road B4526 – Goffs Hill B471 – High Street B471 and vice-versa

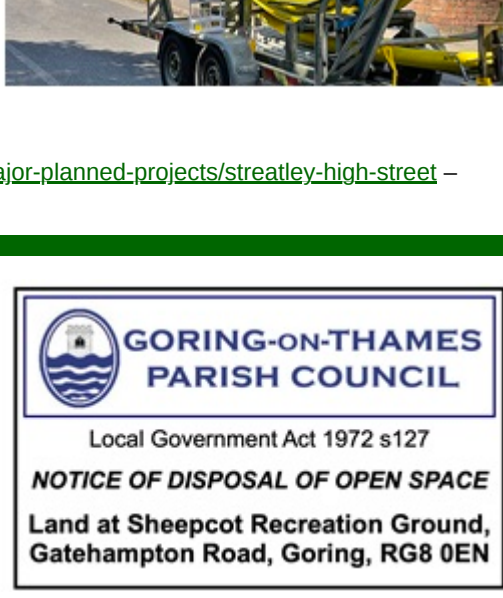
A drawing showing the extent of the closure and also the alternative route for traffic can be found [HERE](#). Further information regarding the works may be obtained by contacting Paulsons Traffic Management on 0800 010 6163.

Update on Gas Mains replacement in Streatley

The work between the Bull and the Coombe is due to be finished by Monday 2 September

Phase three – Monday 2 September for approximately two weeks

The work will move to Wallingford Road on Monday 2 September for approximately one week, working between Elm Lodge and Lardon Cottages. SGN will install temporary multiway traffic lights which will be manually controlled. They will then move to Reading Road and work from The Bull to Laburnum House for approximately one week. These works will be carried out under temporary multiway traffic lights which will be manually controlled.



You can go to their website – <https://www.sgn.co.uk/our-gas-works/major-planned-projects/streatley-high-street> – which will be kept updated.

Today – the last chance to comment on this proposal is by close of business 30 August 2024

Goring-on-Thames Parish Council is considering the disposal by way of renewing a lease for a term of 25 years expiring in 2049 to Goring Tennis Club of an area of land at Sheepcot Recreation Ground comprising approximately 2,900 square metres, with the intention that the land should be used as tennis courts and pavilion for the Tennis Club.



The areas of land are shown edged red on a plan which is available for inspection by appointment with the Clerk, Gardiner Pavilion, Upper Red Cross Road, Goring, RG8 9BD. Any comments should be made in writing to the Clerk, S Edmunds at the address above, or by email: clerk@GoringParishCouncil.gov.uk by close of business today, Friday 30 August 2024.

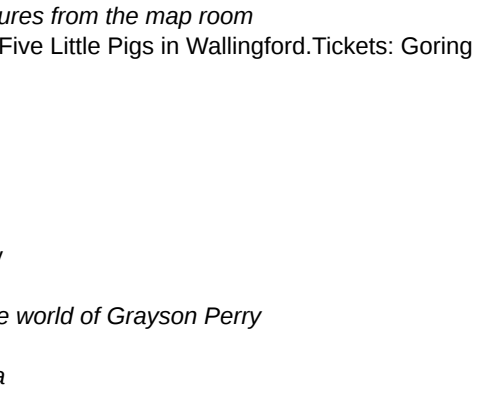
Editor's Note: This information was taken from a notice placed in the Official Announcements section on the inside back page (p.39) of the Henley Standard newspaper published on 23 August 2024.

What's On – for the month of September 2024

Below is a selection of some of the upcoming events on the [Genie Calendar](#)

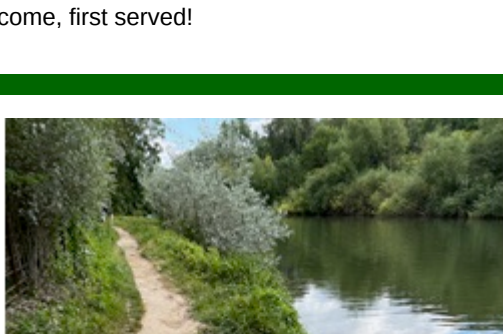
Please go there for details and more events, or to add your own event for free:

Mon 2 Sept	12.30-2.30pm Puzzles and pals at The Hub
Wed 4 Sept	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Noon GGM copy deadline• 7.30pm Goring Village Greenfingers <i>The Good, The Bad and The Bugly</i>
Sat 7 Sept	10-12 noon Queen's Jubilee Tile project. Goring Village Hall garden with refreshments
Wed 11 Sept	7.30pm WI Calming chair yoga with Emma Horwill
Thurs 12 Sept	Genie News deadline news@genienews.org
Mon 16 Sept	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2.30pm Goring Gap Local History Society: <i>Treasures from the map room</i>• 7 for 7.30pm FOGL Sion Mason book launch at Five Little Pigs in Wallingford. Tickets: Goring Library, £10
Wed 18 Sept	10.30am FOGL AGM in The Bellême Room
Thurs 19 Sept	10.30am Pick a Flick: <i>Ruth and Alex</i>
Sun 22 Sept	4pm Violin and piano recital at St Mary's Streatley
Wed 25 Sept	10am and 1pm Arts Society: <i>Pots and Flocks: The world of Grayson Perry</i>
Thur 26 Sept	10.30am Goring Gap u3a: <i>The Sea Route to India</i>
Fri 27 Sept	7.30pm Goring Unplugged



Going Forward Buses Autumn Service Changes

Unfortunately, for health reasons, Going Forward Buses are having to make some changes to their services from Monday 2 September. New timetables are now [on their website](#) and printed copies are available on the buses, at Goring railway station and Wallingford Tourist Information Office (in the Town Hall adjacent to our bus stop in the Market Place).



Briefly, these will affect the following services:

- 133 Goring – Streatley – Moulsoford – Wallingford
- 145-148 Goring – Crays Pond – Caversham – Reading
- H1/H2 Goring – Woodcote – Stoke Row – Sonning Common – Henley
- 134 Goring – Cleve – The Stokes – Wallingford

Full details can be found [HERE](#). You can download and print this PDF file.

- Wallingford School – If you haven't already secured a place on the bus but are interested, please contact us as soon as possible as space is limited and it is definitely first come, first served!

Thames Path Diversion

Section south of Streatley/Goring Thames Road Bridge

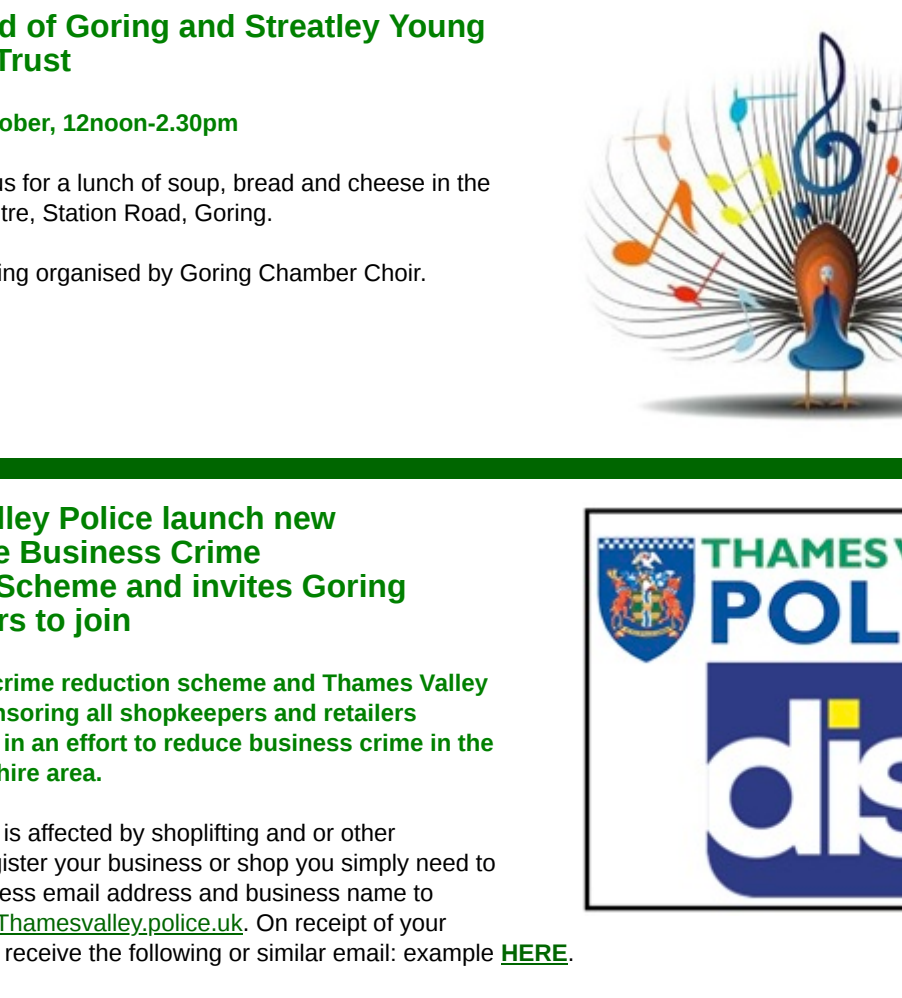
Footpath Stre/24/1 is currently closed until 9 September 2024, to prevent any danger to the public whilst repairs are planned to the riverbank. The closure will be extended over the winter until a time when repairs can be carried out. The Path is narrow and frequently floods, so please do use the diversion below.



Coming from Goring Lock: Please follow Footpath 227 from the northern end of the closure east until you reach Manor Road. Turn right (south east) and proceed along the road until you reach Footpath 227. Turn right (south west) along the Footpath until you re-join the Thames Path. If you come to the closure from the south, please follow the above diversion in reverse.

The diversion route is not wheelchair accessible. The more northerly path, alongside Grange Close, is wheelchair accessible only between Manor Road and the Grange Close link path. From there to the river is not accessible. Wheelchair users would therefore have to divert via Ferry Lane open space, further to the north. Goring-on-Thames Parish Council is proposing to install an all-weather path across Ferry Lane open space, between the bollards / pumping station and the wooden footbridge over the mill stream outlet.

For further details please contact: West Berks Council (countryside team) on 01635 519080. They are responsible for this section of the footpath although it lies within South Oxfordshire.

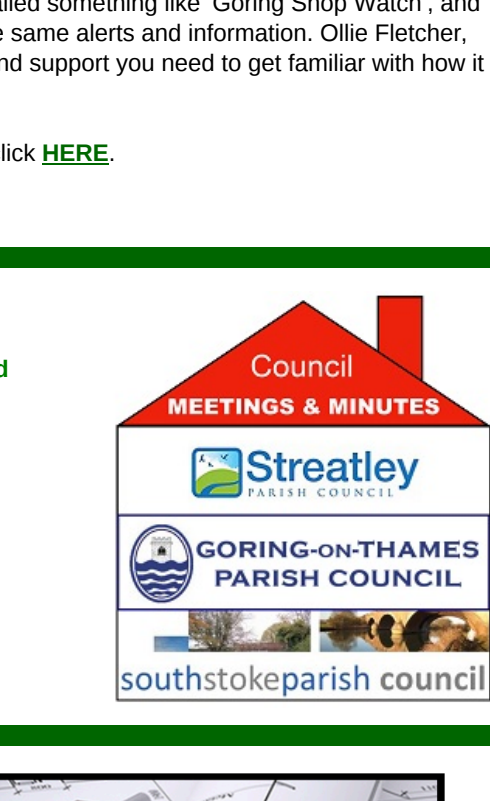


Lunch in aid of Goring and Streatley Young Musicians Trust

Saturday 5 October, 12noon-2.30pm

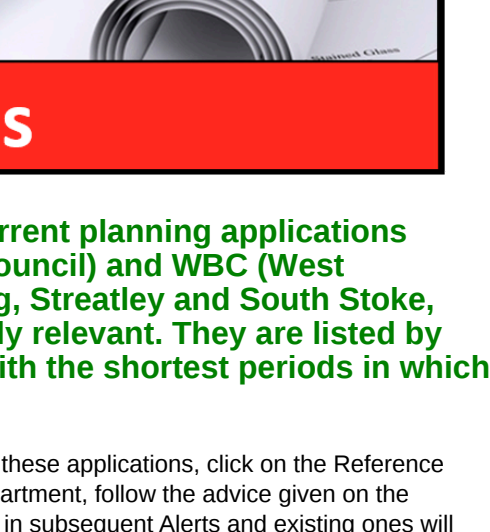
Come and join us for a lunch of soup, bread and cheese in the Community Centre, Station Road, Goring.

This event is being organised by Goring Chamber Choir.



Thames Valley Police launch new Oxfordshire Business Crime Reduction Scheme and invites Goring shopkeepers to join

DISC is a free crime reduction scheme and Thames Valley Police are sponsoring all shopkeepers and retailers wishing to join in an effort to reduce business crime in the South Oxfordshire area.



If your business is affected by shoplifting and or other problems, to register your business or shop you simply need to send your business email address and business name to Ollie.Fletcher@Thamesvalley.police.uk. On receipt of your enquiry, you will receive the following or similar email: example [HERE](#).

You will then receive all the information about the scheme and instantly have access to all the benefits which include: Direct crime reporting, bypassing the normal 101phone service, access to photo galleries of known offenders, instant messaging and email alerts for important and urgent updates.

You can choose to be part of a wider South Oxfordshire Group or be called something like 'Goring Shop Watch', and be connected by a WhatsApp-type group so each member receives the same alerts and information. Ollie Fletcher, the Administrator of your local scheme will provide all the information and support you need to get familiar with how it all works.

To see the original announcement of this service in January this year, click [HERE](#).

For full information about this scheme, click [DISC](#).

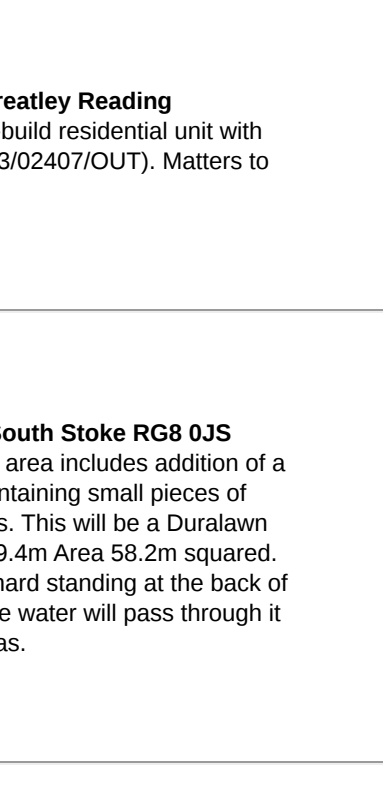
Local Parish Councils

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](#)



Current local 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 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 six applications for Goring, five for Streatley, and one for South Stoke.

STREATLEY

Location:	Place Manor Wallingford Road Streatley Reading RG8 9JS
Proposal:	Repairs to central chimney structure to make safe.
Reference Number:	24/O0969/LBC
Consultation Deadline:	2 September 2024

Location:	10 Coombe Cottages The Coombe Streatley Reading RG8 9QP
Proposal:	Demolition of an existing rear carport and its replacement with a single storey rear extension using the same footprint.
Reference Number:	24/O1591/HOUSE
Consultation Deadline:	3 September 2024

Location:	Vine Cottage High Street Streatley Reading RG8 9JD
Proposal:	Structural Engineer report by David Evans of Clive Hudson Associates August 2023 recommended removal of 2 crab apple trees abutting garden wall between Vine and Snowdrop cottages, due to possibility of structural damage to said wall and proximity to housing. Both trees are in poor condition having not been looked after by previous owners, one is infested with honey fungus, the other is dying from the top down.
Reference Number:	24/O1583/TPC
Consultation Deadline:	Determination Deadline: 4 September 2024

Location:	White Hart House 4 White Hart Yard High Street Streatley Reading RG8 9JE
Proposal:	Proposed cart shed.
Reference Number:	24/O1716/HOUSE
Consultation Deadline:	6 September 2024

Location:	Old Streatley Chalk Pit Wantage Road Streatley Reading
Proposal:	Outline Application for construction of a self-build residential unit with associated infrastructure (resubmission of 23/02407/OUT). Matters to be considered: Access.
Reference Number:	24/O1689/OUT
Consultation Deadline:	11 September 2024

SOUTH STOKE

Location:	South Stoke Primary School The Street South Stoke RG8 0JS
Proposal:	The proposed update to the outdoor playing area includes addition of a cushion floor to be positioned in the area containing small pieces of play equipment for use by Early Years Pupils. This will be a Duralawn surface - lawn to be laid down on existing hard standing at the back of the school. The material is porous so that the water will pass through it and will find its way to existing drainage areas.
Reference Number:	P24/S2587/FUL
Consultation Deadline:	12 September 2024

GORING

Location:	Cedar Wood House Elvendon Rd RG8 0LP
Proposal:	New access with electric gates.
Reference Number:	P24/S2480/HH
Consultation Deadline:	30 August 2024

Location:	Cedar Wood House Elvendon Rd RG8 0LP
Proposal:	Detached oak frame 3 bay garage / carport.
Reference Number:	P24/S2479/HH
Consultation Deadline:	3 September 2024

Location:	19 Elvendon Road Goring RG8 0DP
Proposal:	Discharge of conditions 5 (surface water), 6 (foul water), 7 (flood plain), 8 (materials), 9 (biodiversity), 10 (boundary), 11 (landscaping) & 12 (cycle parking) on P24/S1080/FUL - demolition of existing dwelling and erection of two detached dwellings. Not subject to public consultation
Reference Number:	P24/S2139/DIS
Consultation Deadline:	Target decision date 4 September 2024

Location:	76 Wallingford Road Goring RG8 0HN
Proposal:	Variation of Condition 2 & 3(Approved Plans & Materials) on P23/S4189/HH - first floor extension to create two storey dwelling; changes to door and window configurations.
Reference Number:	P24/S2502/S73
Consultation Deadline:	4 September 2024

Location:	Bramley House Icknield Road Goring RG8 0DL
Proposal:	First floor side extension
Reference Number:	P24/S2621/HH
Consultation Deadline:	7 September 2024

Location:	1 Red Cross Road Goring RG8 9HG
Proposal:	Erect 10ft acoustic fencing on railway boundary & 6ft close board fencing to High Street/Red Cross Road. Widening of driveway
Reference Number:	P24/S240/HH
Consultation Deadline:	25 September 2024

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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