

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 11 January

In this issue: New Year's wishes; road closure information, upcoming event in January, a reminder to 'Share Your News' with Genie – and our latest update of current planning applications.



Your Genie team wishes all our readers a very happy and healthy New Year

Road Closure – A329 in Basildon

Between the junction with St James Close to approx. 230m from Mead Lane, 10-11 January 2026, overnight 21.00 to 05.00

To repair and replace 2x Frame and Covers. Blue light access will be available. Residential access will be maintained if possible. Contractor: OCU Group, 07900 998244.



To see the diversion route, click HERE: <https://one.network/?tm=GB146418721>.

What's On – for the month of January 2026

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.



Day & Date	Time	Event
Thurs 1 Jan	All day	New Year's Day
Fri 3 Jan	10.00–11.30am	Drop-in 5-a-side Chess Club, Goring Library
Sun 4 Jan	9.30–10.45am	Yin Yoga (monthly), Goring Library
Mon 5 Jan	8.00–10.00am	Mobile Post Office, Westholme Stores car park
Mon 12 Jan	8.00–10.00am	Mobile Post Office, Westholme Stores car park GENIE News copy deadline (for mid-Jan issue)
Wed 14 Jan	7.30pm	Cleeve by Goring WI meeting, Storton Lodge
Thurs 15 Jan	10.30am–2.00pm	Pick-a-Flick (film & light lunch), Canterbury Room, St Thomas' Church
Sat 17 Jan	10.00am–12.45pm	Cholsey Repair Café, Cholsey Pavilion
Wed 21 Jan	10.30am–12.00pm	Coffee Morning, St Andrew's Church
Mon 19 Jan	8.00–10.00am	Mobile Post Office, Westholme Stores car park
Mon 26 Jan	8.00–10.00am	Mobile Post Office, Westholme Stores car park GENIE News copy deadline (for end-Jan issue)
Wed 28 Jan	11.00am & 2.30pm	Arts Society lecture – Mixed Doubles: Double Portraiture, Goring Village Hall
Thurs 29 Jan	10.45am	Goring Gap u3a talk, Goring Village Hall

Your News, Your Village

GENIE Village Matters exists to share what's happening in our villages and between our communities — and it only works when residents, groups and organisations tell us what they're up to.

Some editions are naturally busier than others, and this one is on the quieter side. That's not a problem — but it is a reminder that many good things never get shared simply because nobody thought to send them in.

If you're organising an event, running a club, celebrating an anniversary, launching a project, or just doing something that might interest others locally, we'd love to hear from you. Short pieces are absolutely fine, and photos or simple artwork really help bring stories to life.

GENIE Village Matters is published twice each month on the 16th and 30th, with a submission deadline four days in advance. It's completely free to contribute and free to read — a shared village noticeboard in digital form.

If you've ever thought "someone should mention this", that someone can be you. All submissions to: news@genienews.org



Check here on all local planning applications, current and past

This regular twice-monthly 'Planning Alert' service lists all the current planning applications submitted to South Oxfordshire District Council and West Berkshire Council relating to Goring, Streatley and South Stoke.



They are listed in consultation period expiry date order, so the applications with the shortest periods for your comments are at the top. Each has a link to the actual application.

To make a comment to the relevant Planning Department, follow the advice given on the application. New applications will be added to the lists in subsequent newsletters and existing ones will remain until the consultation period has expired.

To check all current APPLICATIONS for Goring, Streatley & South Stoke [CLICK HERE](#).

To check on all DECISIONS of previous SODC applications, [CLICK HERE](#)

To check on all DECISIONS of previous WBC applications, [CLICK HERE](#)

STREATLEY

Location: High View Wantage Road Streatley Reading RG8 9LD
Proposal: Demolition of existing rear extensions, replacement with a new single storey extension and adjacent car port with solar panels. Works to rear garden including gate entrance and pergola alterations.
Reference Number: [P25/02830/HOUSE](#)
Consultation Deadline: 9 January 2026

Location: Fernbank 14 Wallingford Road South Stoke RG8 0JD
Proposal: Erection of two storey rear extension.
Reference Number: [P25/S3782/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: 7 January 2026

Location: Plumtree Cottage The Street South Stoke RG8 0JS
Proposal: Erection of single storey front and rear extensions.
Reference Number: [P25/S3884/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: 14 January 2026

Location: Kays Barn & Pond House The Street South Stoke RG8 0JS
Proposal: Discharge of condition 5 (Surface Water Drainage Details) on application ref. P25/S1238/HH (Demolition of existing annex (Kays Barn) and part of existing outbuilding. Erection of replacement two-storey outbuilding with single storey front extension to provide annex accommodation and ancillary accommodation, and two detached sheds).
Reference Number: [P25/S3828/DIS](#)
Consultation Deadline: 7 February 2026

Location: 2 Heron Shaw Goring RG8 0AU
Proposal: Erection of single-storey side extension and part single & part two-storey rear extension
Reference Number: [P25/S3809/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: 9 January 2026

Location: Mulberry Croft. Limetree Road, Goring RG8 9EY
Proposal: Erection of carport
Reference Number: [P25/S3893/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: 17 January 2026

Location: Hawthornden House Elmhurst Walk RG8 9DE
Proposal: Install solar panels on existing roof. Convert existing loft space into habitable room. Reconfigure first floor including replacing doors and windows in dining room with period-style French windows.
Reference Number: [P25/S3934/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: 22 January 2026

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