

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 24 February

In this issue: B4009 road closures; Streatley Forum reminder; 200th edition of Village Matters; Streatley School Quiz; Responders needed; 10k Run; Wallingford Museum – and our latest update of current planning applications.

Two Road Closures

1. B4009 at Hampstead Norreys. 19 February 2026, 09.30 to 15.30
Wylde Court Hill between the junctions of Unnamed Road from Forge Hill to Yattendon Road and Dog Lane for permanent carriageway repairs

- Residential Access and Blue Light Access will be maintained if possible.
- Contractor: Volker Highways, 01635 519080.
- A link to the diversion route can be found [HERE](#).

2. B4009 at Long Lane, Cold Ash. 23-26 February, 09.30-15.30
From junction with Fishers Lane to the junction of Curridge Road for surface dressing.

- Residential access will be maintained where possible. Blue light access will be maintained.
- Contractor: Volker Highways, 01635 519080.
- Diversion route can be seen [HERE](#).



Reminder – Streatley Forum tomorrow, Tuesday 17 February

7 to 9.30pm in the Morrell Room, Church Lane, Streatley
A gathering of local organisations and businesses.

Drop in to meet and catch up, share news and discuss matters of common concern. Refreshments at 7 and 9.15pm. More information from Karen Morton – karen.morton@thecapabilitycompany.co.uk.



This is your 200th edition of Village Matters!

Genie launched its first edition of Village Matters in June 2017 and, with its additional 66 red-topped Public Information newsletters, you would have received 266 mailings in your inbox if you had subscribed back then, so we hope you have enjoyed and benefitted from this service. Read on to learn more about Genie and why we need more volunteers.

The 'news' that's mailed out to you is only, of course, half the service available. The other half, the 'Information' part, you have to get it for yourself by going to our [website](#).

Many of you who subscribe do visit the website, as do non-subscribers, so we thought in this special 200th edition we would just remind everyone what useful, everyday information the website provides.

We hope you have checked out all the 8 pages under the 'Local Information' section, eg Emergency Services and Local Organisations, being just two of them. The other 6 under this heading you can discover yourself. These were produced not just for new residents or businesses, but for anyone who wants to find out about what is available and going on here. There's also lots of history there, 10,000 years of what has been happening here in the Goring Gap since pre-historic times right up to the present.

In every issue there's an up-to-date list of all new local planning applications. The Calendar and Event Planner is there for every local not for profit organisation, club or society to use to promote their organisation for free and to help all residents get the most out of living here and enjoying what the villages offer. As only about half the residents of Goring and Streatley subscribe to receive this newsletter, if you know of a friend or neighbour who doesn't, please encourage them to visit the website and click the 'Subscribe' button.

More volunteers needed. We should say, however, we really need to find some more volunteers to help keep all this information up to date and also help with the production of this fortnightly newsletter service. There are only 4 of us in the team and we all help in other capacities in the villages so if someone is away or off sick, we struggle. No experience is needed and you can do everything from home and it would take no more than an hour or two a fortnight. So, please if you value Genie, its newsletters and the mine of information on our website, please contact us at contact@genienews.org or phone 07789 871620 for a quick chat.

Thank you. The Genie team.



Streatley School Quiz Night

Saturday 28 February at 7-11.30pm in Goring Village Hall

Look forward to a fantastic evening of fun, great company, and friendly competition — all while raising funds for the school. Click to get tickets: <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/FOSS-Quiz-2026>.



Looking for new Responders

Nikki Swan writes:
We are looking to recruit one or two new first responders who live in Goring or Streatley.

There is more information at <https://scas.goassemble.com/opportunities/107123-community-first-responder-goring-streatley-berkshire-2026-02-04>.

In the first place if people would like to chat to me about what is involved I am happy for them to contact me: nicola.swan@streatley.org. Thank you.



Goring 10k Run

Saturday 8 March at the Bourdillon Field, Goring

It is a fantastic day out whether you're running or cheering on friends and family at points along the route. As well as the race itself there are family-friendly fun and refreshments on Bourdillon Field.

There's still time to register – so please find full race details at Goring10k.com.

Every entry helps raise funds for Goring Primary School.



Wallingford Museum News

Wallingford Museum opens from Tuesday 3 March 2026. Please look at the [website](#) for opening times.

'Meet the Anglo-Saxons!' A one-day event for all the family. This is a drop in event running from 11am to 4pm on **Saturday 11 April 2026**. Please note that normal museum admission fee applies, adults £6 and accompanied children free. Discover more about the day to day lives of the people who lived and worked within the Anglo-Saxon burh of Wallingford.

The museum offers three intriguing and different exhibitions later this year, something for all of the family:
'Through Wallingford's Workhouse Door' – Explore, Experience, Endure'
This exhibition offers families, especially for those children learning about the Victorians, to discover history on their door step! Visitors are invited to cross the threshold of the Workhouse and discover what life was really like for the men, women, and children who passed through its doors – not by choice, but through necessity.

'Agatha Christie's Wallingford'

Wallingford Museum will mark the 50th anniversary year of Dame Agatha Christie's death at Winterbrook House, with a special exhibition highlighting aspects of life in Wallingford during her later life.

'Digging for Wallingford' – Archaeology at Work'
Discover more about the work of the TWHAS archaeologists.

The Wallingford Historical and Archaeological Society (TWHAS)

11 March (Weds) – Andy Hood: 'On-going excavations at Winterbrook and New Barn Farm by Foundations Archaeology, with an update on the Cholsey Roman villa report'. See <https://www.twhas.org.uk/meetings-programme.html> for the 2026 talks programme.



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: New Dawn The Coombe Streatley Reading RG8 9QL
Proposal: Proposed single storey front and side extensions, other minor alterations, photovoltaic panels and air source heat pump to single family dwelling house.
Reference Number: [25/02918/HOUSE](#)
Consultation Deadline: **18 February 2026**

Location: Lardon House Wantage Road Streatley Reading RG8 9LD
Proposal: Approval of details reserved by Condition (5) Badger Survey of planning permission 25/01636/HOUSE: Erection of 4 bay garage with overhead storage to serve Lardon House on contiguous vacant land.
Reference Number: [25/00248/COND](#)
Consultation Deadline: **Determination deadline 8 April 2026**

SOUTH STOKE

Location: Middle Barn Little Stoke OX10 6AZ
Proposal: Variation of condition 12 (Holiday Accommodation) of planning permission P23/S3822/FUL (Replacement of existing grain storage building to provide accommodation for artists and creatives visiting Little Stoke Manor Farm. Provision of bin and bike storage, amenity space, parking and landscaping).
Reference Number: [P26/S0161/S73](#)
Consultation Deadline: **18 February 2026**

Location: Middle Barn Littlestoke Manor Farm Little Stoke OX10 6AZ
Proposal: Discharge of conditions 3 - surface water drainage, 4 - foul water drainage and 7 - cycle storage on application ref. P23/S3822/FUL Replacement of existing grain storage building to provide accommodation for artists and creatives visiting Littlestoke Manor farm. Provision of bin and bike storage, amenity space, parking and landscaping.
Reference Number: [P26/S0050/DIS](#)
Consultation Deadline: **5 March 2026**

GORING

Location: Battle Farm Elvendon Road Goring RG8 0LP
Proposal: Variation of Condition 2 (approved plans) on P25/S2671/FUL - 7 bedroom dwelling: internal layout, window and door change; gable end to main entrance; dual pitch roof on west elevation; car port position and driveway alterations.
Reference Number: [P26/S0225/S73](#)
Consultation Deadline: **23 February 2026**

Location: Linwood Limetree Road Goring RG8 9EY
Proposal: Erection of a covered seating area
Reference Number: [P26/S0229/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: **23 February 2026**

Location: Luffield House 85A Wallingford Road RG8 0HL
Proposal: Single storey front infill extension with oak frame entrance porch; two bay oak frame car port and associated works
Reference Number: [P26/S0264/HH](#)
Consultation Deadline: **27 February 2026**

Location: 1 Woden Cottages High Street Goring RG8 9AZ
Proposal: Outhouse/studio at the rear of the property. Certificate of Lawful Development
Reference Number: [P26/S0005/LDP](#)
Consultation Deadline: **Target decision date 2 March 2026**

Location: Manor Field Manor Road Goring RG8 9EB
Proposal: Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of replacement self-build dwelling with detached 1.5 storey garage.
Reference Number: [P26/S0013/FUL](#)
Consultation Deadline: **11 March 2026**

Location: Land east of Manor Road south of Little Croft Road Goring on Thames RG8 9EJ
Proposal: Discharge of condition 20 (Energy Efficiency) on application P23/S3520/S73. Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Plans) on P19/S2923/O to allow for various rooflights, sun-tunnels, loft rooms; and on P23/S3518/S73 for reconfiguration of garages, parking spaces, driveways etc. Not subject to public consultation.
Reference Number: [P26/S0168/DIS](#)
Consultation Deadline: **Target decision date 17 March 2026**

Location: 22 Clevedon Goring RG8 9BU
Proposal: Enclose extant porch, insert window in ground floor side elevation & install Air Source Heat Pump unit. Certificate of Lawful Development
Reference Number: [P26/S0267/LDP](#)
Consultation Deadline: **Target decision date 27 March 2026**

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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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](#)



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