

**Barby and Onley
Village Newsletter
May 2015**

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Parish Council News

Parish Council Meeting – The next meeting of Barby & Onley Parish Council will take place on **THURSDAY 14th MAY at 7.30pm** in Barby Village Hall. All members of the parish are welcome to attend.

Please note the change of date. This is a one off, due to the fact that the Elected Parish Councillors will only be confirmed on Friday 8th May following their election. This does not give sufficient time to issue them with an agenda if the meeting is held on the normal day. Future meetings will revert to the second Monday of the month from 7.30pm to 10.00pm usually in Barby Village Hall.

Election Day is Thursday 7th May. Please come along and vote in the Parliamentary Election, for a new District Councillor to replace Councillor Richard Atterbury, and for your 11 Parish Councillors. The full list of all candidates is on the Elections 2015 page of the website (www.barbyandonleyparishcouncil.co.uk) and on the Parish Council noticeboards.

The Parish Council would like to thank those Councillors who are standing down from their role, namely Councillors Richard Camp, Peter Owen, Daphne Finch and Sally Robbins, who have all worked hard, some for many years, to try and improve the village for all residents. Thank you also to Richard Atterbury for his work as our District Councillor.

Thank you to those who attended the **Annual Parish Meeting** of the village on Wednesday 22nd April. Please see the Annual Report in this newsletter (pages 7 to 10) for details of what the Parish Council has done over the past year.

Litter - Every group in the county who holds a litter pick between now and midsummer is eligible for a cash award, which will again be a **main prize of £500 and two runner-up prizes of £150**. Prize money may be spent on any community-related project in the local area of the winning group.

Community groups working together can “do something about it”. To enter this year’s Awards, email your best two or three picking photographs to us (info@CPRENorthants.org.uk), with a few sentences telling us what happened at your litter pick.

Highways - Remember that anyone can report a pothole or highway defect to the County Council via the street doctor system www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/streetdoctor you will be given a reference number and can track the action that is being taken to rectify the problem.

Parking - Please can people be careful not to park on pavements as it makes it difficult for parents with small children in pushchairs to pass. If anyone sees a vehicle obstructing the pavement, then please take the registration number and let the police know on 101, so that the owner can be reminded that cars should be on the road or on driveways.

Dog Fouling - Daventry District Council is currently consulting on whether to introduce an order which will allow Dog Wardens to fine people if they are walking a dog without having any means to pick up after it. If you want to express your views on this consultation, please contact Daventry District Council via their website.

Clubs and Societies

Wanted New Brownies and Rainbows - Rainbows (girls aged 5 to 7 yrs.) meet on Wednesdays during term time at Barby School, 5.30 to 6.30pm with Brownies (girls aged 7 to 10 yrs.) meeting from 6.30 to 7.30pm. Lots of interesting and fun activities. If you would like to join please contact Brown Owl on 01788 891299.

Garage Sale – This year's Garage Sale will take place on Sunday 14th June from 10.00am to 2.00pm. Now is the time to tackle the loft, garage, spare room or wherever you hoard all those things that might one day come in useful, but never do! They might be just what someone's looking for. Contact Karen (01788 891299) for more information.

Badminton – If you are interested in playing Badminton then please join us on Wednesdays at 8.00pm in the Village Hall. All standards welcome, you can also play by hiring the hall for your own enjoyment at other times. You will need your own shuttlecocks.

Barby Cricket Club – The winners of the Cricket 100 Club for March are:- C. Gleghorn - £80.00; R. Clewes - £55.00; C. Lester - £45.00.

Barby Mums and Tots Group – We meet in Barby Village Hall on Wednesday mornings during term time from 9.30am to 11.30am. Cost £2 including a drink and a biscuit. For more information contact Helen Johnson 01788 891483.

Barby Church – St. Mary's Church will be open on Saturday 9th May 2.00pm to 4.00pm, Cream Teas, tea or coffee will be available for £4.50 (including free drink refills). Games and activities for children. All proceeds go to keeping this ancient building going.

The Church will also be open on Saturday 6th June 2pm to 4pm, Cream Teas will be available.

Church Fete – This year's Church Fete will take place on Sunday 28th June. Beer & BBQ open from 1.30pm and Stalls & Games from 2.00pm in the village play area. Music by Bearcats Blues Band. Grand raffle, cake stall, bottle stall and much more. Please come and give your support. Raffle Tickets are available now from Ros Atchison (01788 890777)

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Barby Church Trust – will hold their Annual General Meeting in St Mary’s Church on 10th May at 7.30pm. Please come and find out what they achieve and how you can contribute.

Strawberry & Wine evening in aid of Barby Church Trust is being held at the home of Roger & Helen Johnson, 48 Rugby Road, Barby on Sunday 21st June at 6.30pm. Tickets £5 from Helen (01788 891483).

Barby Pre-School – NEW LONGER HOURS – Now runs in the Village Hall all day Monday to Friday from 9.00am to 3.00pm Contact Sarah on 07789 428463 or info@barbypreschool.co.uk.

Do you receive Sainsbury’s Active Kids vouchers – if so we would be very grateful for them as we are collecting for several new items of equipment. Full details at www.barbypreschool.co.uk/news/Collect-Sainsburys-Active-Kids-vouchers.aspx.

Barby Gardening Club – There will be a Tallest Sunflower Competition for children of Primary School age (or younger) who live in Barby or Onley - please contact Bernard Scott 33, Daventry Road, tel. 890635 or Gordon Massie 43, Holme Way, tel. 891472 for an entry form. Closing date for entries is 3rd May 2015. The sunflowers will be measured just before the show and prize presentations will be at the show on September 6th. Advance notice of subjects for this year’s show: Photography classes: Adult: ‘Work’, ‘Happiness’. Under 16’s: ‘Insects or Creepy Crawlies’. Under 11’s: ‘Flowers’. There will be a class for Lemon Curd, Jam and Chutney/Pickle. Chutney should be made at least 2 months before the show to mature. Handicraft classes will be a knitted/crochet toy, a cross stitch picture and a cushion max 37cm square.

New Age Kurling – Now on **Monday** afternoons 2.00pm to 4.00pm in Barby Village Hall. £2, which includes equipment, tea and biscuits. All welcome

Barby Local History Group – Barby History group had a scholarly presentation from Steve Young, archaeology director of CLASP, at our April meeting. His talk, entitled ‘Local people, local past’ discussed explorations of our past from Roman remains through mediaeval period to more modern history, discussing how available evidence can be interpreted in the light of modern research techniques. Our next meeting on Wednesday 13th May, we hope to welcome Dr Andrew Williams to talk about children’s hospital care in the 18th century. He hopes to show a short film.

Pilates – A gentle but effective exercise, strengthening core stability. Particularly helpful for back pain sufferers. Classes every Tuesday 10.30am to 11.30am at Barby Village Hall, £5 a session. Suitable for all abilities, qualified instructor. For information call Mary on 01788 890614.

Evergreen Club – Our meetings in May will be on are Wednesday 6th and 20th in Barby Village Hall. 2.00pm – 4.00pm. New members always welcome.

Barby Table Tennis Club – The season has now finished, but if you are interested in joining us then please contact Sandy on 01788 891968. All abilities welcome.

Play On Theatre Club - Barby Village Hall, Fridays 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm. Call Yve on 01788 543760 or www.playontheatre.net. 1st session free.

Barby Twinning Association – Barby Twinning Association celebrate 20 years! Our friends from Vulaines sur Seine are visiting 14-17 May this year; a day trip to Waddesdon Manor is organised for Friday followed by a celebration dinner at Dunchurch Park Hotel on Saturday evening. Our guests return to Vulaines on Sunday morning. Next year members of Barby Twinning Association will visit Vulaines. If interested in joining, please contact a member of the committee or Jackie on 07956 361 833.

Tennis Court – The AGM of the Tennis Court Management Committee will be held on Friday May 8th at 7.30pm in the KITCHEN of Barby Village Hall. Anyone interested in playing tennis then please come along and give us your views. Remember now that the summer weather has arrived why not have a game of tennis on the Barby Tennis Court **for free**. Contact Brian or Elaine Thompson on 01788 890637 for full details.

Village Halls – To book either of the village halls for your event then contact:

- Barby - Pat Webb (01788 890800) barbyvillagehall@gmail.com
- Onley - Debbie Gibbard (01788 814191) onleyvillagehall@gmail.com

WI - We had to make a last minute change to our speaker for the April meeting and were fortunate to get local author Suzi Beckhafer whose talk "Kinder Transport" (of which she was one) was most thought provoking. Several members had read her book "Rosa's Child" and many questions were asked. Several members had gone to the Royal Theatre Northampton to see a production of The Mikado which was enjoyed. There was also a "Night with Eric Knowles" (of Antiques Road Show Fame) who was most entertaining. Several members are going to Yelvertoft for an afternoon meeting where we will be joined by Welton, Braunston and Kilsby W.I.'s.

Our next meeting, Tuesday 12th May, is when we will discuss the chosen resolution being taken to our AGM to be held in June at the Albert Hall. We shall vote on how our delegate, Mary Evans, should vote on our behalf. The resolution is "Failing to care - assessment of need in long term care". Members are reminded we are meeting at our next meeting in May at 7.15pm for a group photograph.

If you would like to know more about the W.I. give Chris a call on 890963.

Barby Townlands Charity

Allotments - There are currently 6 vacant allotments, so if anyone in the parish would like to cultivate one, please contact Sally Robbins, Tel 01788 890202 who will be able to arrange this.

Rents are £20 per Annum (£10 concessionary)

Mid-Summer BBQ - A mid-summer BBQ will be held in Millennium Orchard, to the rear of Barby Tennis Court off Rugby Road, on Saturday 13th June starting at 5.00pm. A Burgers will be provided, but bring your own drinks and chairs, and boules! Come along and meet other members of the parish and enjoy the long balmy days of summer (hopefully!)

Grants - An application form to apply for a grant from Barby Townlands Charity is now available on the parish website www.barbyandonleyparishcouncil.co.uk The trustees ask that those applying for a grant complete this form.

Trustees are pleased to announce that they have recently awarded the following grants:

- £80 to Willoughby Challenge to sponsor 2 Junior Football teams from Onley to complete in the tournament.
- £100 to Barby Church volunteers to help them purchase stone chippings to tidy old graves.
- £600 towards the cost of transport for 3 Annual trips that the Evergreen Old Folks are going on.
- £100 towards the WI centenary anniversary celebration dinner.
- £350 towards Entertainment at Barby Fete.

Vacancy for a Charity trustee - The term of office of Peter Wright has come to an end, and after many years as a Trustee on Barby Townlands Charity, Peter has decided to step down. The trustees would like to publicly thank him for the work he put into the role which was greatly valued.

This means that there is a vacancy for a charity trustee. If you are interested in becoming a Townlands Charity trustee and helping to look after the assets they hold, and administer the funds and award grants to village organisations, then please write to the Charity Secretary, Catherine Camp, 18 Kilsby Road, Barby, Rugby with a description of who you are, and how long you have lived in the village, so that the trustees can consider who would be most appropriate to help run the charity. Please talk to the Chairman Sally Robbins 01788 890202 if you would like further details. The trustees meet 3 times per year for about 2 hours at a time.

Other News

Mobile Library – Please support the mobile library which visits the Barby Village Hall car park every fourth Friday. The numbers regularly using this facility has dropped over the last year (from 8/10 to 4/5). At the moment the service is not under direct threat, but if the service does not get used then there is the possibility that we could lose this service in the future.

Mobile Sight Centre – will be visiting Shopmobility, New Street, Daventry on Wednesday 20th May 10.00am to 1.00pm.

Grass growing too fast - problem solved! I am a local Barby lad and am willing to mow your lawn. Prices range from £4-£7 dependent on size of lawn. Please call Nathan Green on 07986 808735 for further details.

Barby & Onley Parish Council Annual Report

(Full Report on Notice Board)

April 2014 to March 2015

The Election brings to an end the five year term served by our present Parish Council. We are pleased to be able to tell you that 12 people have submitted nomination papers for the 11 seats on the Parish Council, so you will be able to elect your new Parish Council on 7th May and their first meeting will be on Thursday 14th May.

At the start of the year we welcomed Councillors Simi Pandhal and Sally Robbins to the council. Andy Sabine was re-elected as Chairman but in November, due to a change of job, he had to resign as a Councillor. The Vice-Chairman, Peter Owen, was then appointed as Chairman. Andy Sabine's seat was filled by Nigel Gove.

Malcolm Longley was elected as our County Councillor and has supported the parish with grant funding of £1,000 towards Onley Youth Club, £400 towards a defibrillator and a further £1,000 towards connecting power for a permanent power point on the Village Green opposite Barby Village Stores, and installing the defibrillator.

We would like to thank Ian Webb who has done an outstanding job with his hard work on the parish newsletter and digital media. The Parish now has a Facebook page and a twitter account, and personalised emails can be sent out to people when necessary.

Dom Fisher has acted as Highway Warden on behalf of the Parish. He is not a Parish Councillor but has been of great help chasing up Highway issues and keeping the Parish Council informed.

Mike Dalton also deserves a vote of thanks for keeping the Vehicle Activated Sign charged up and working and for picking up litter.

Planning: Both locally and nationally, this year has seen unprecedented pressure by developers to try and obtain planning consent for large developments on the outskirts of villages. Barby has got off lightly with planning applications granted for 6 houses to the rear of Balding Close, and 4 houses off Elkington Lane.

We are awaiting decisions on 5 houses off Kilsby Road, and 12 houses opposite the School, and 20 houses plus 7 offices on the Same Tractor factory site.

In December the West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy was approved by Inspectors and adopted. This document sets out the housing requirements for West Northamptonshire and will go some way towards protecting rural villages from large housing developments. Daventry District Council has also recently announced that it has a 5 year land supply which means that there are sufficient sites available in the district to meet demand. The supply figures can vary, but without sufficient sites, Planning Inspectors are much more likely to grant planning consent for large developments.

We have acted as consultee for 23 planning applications over the year; the crematorium along Ashlawn Road is now operational. Consent for 450 houses to be built between Welton and Middlemore on the A361 has been granted. Barby

objected to this, as we are concerned that it will increase the traffic using the village as a rat run.

We have spent all year trying to get something done about the number of temporary structures in fields in the open countryside. Daventry Planning Policy is unable to take action unless we provide proof that they are permanent. We will be campaigning to ensure that the new Settlements and Countryside Policy can address this problem.

Rugby will build an Urban Extension of 6,200 houses on the BT Radio Mast site adjacent to the A5, and we understand that building will start in the autumn. The large Sainsbury's Warehouse at DIRFT 2 will open in June, and is recruiting staff now.

DIRFT 3 has been approved between the A5 and the M1 and will stretch from Junction 18 of M1 up to Lilbourne, with 3/4km of railway sidings for loading and unloading.

Under the Localism Act we have an opportunity to produce a Neighbourhood Plan and have some say in how the parish develops in the future.

Highways - Barby has benefitted from recent resurfacing and white lining work.

Despite concerns over speeding traffic in the village, it was not possible to take part in Speed-watch this year, as insufficient people were prepared to be trained to use a speed-gun.

We have attended meetings which have resulted in the A361 being downgraded to 50mph, but are still campaigning to get a weight limit restriction on the Ridgeway and Longdown Lane.

PCSO Kev Thompson remains our local PCSO and hopefully the fact that we rarely see him reflects the low crime rates we have.

In Barby we planted poppies around the village Flag pole, and Barby Townlands Charity has just installed a WW1 commemorative seat next to the War Memorial on Rectory Lane.

In December the village had a series of Advent Windows around the village, and a Christmas tree on the green. We hope that this will become an annual event and will be using the grant from the County Councillor to install a power supply for Christmas lights.

Goal Posts are currently being refurbished and will be re-sited in the Play Area on Daventry Road very soon.

Trees have been planted on The Ware, along the footpath from Brackendale Drive and to fill the gaps in the Play Area hedge.

The toddler swings in Barby Park have been cleaned and Pigeon deterrents installed.

Church Walk has had its "Private Road" sign replaced.

The Cricket Club has now taken over responsibility for mowing at the Sports Field, and the Parish Council is providing them with a grant towards the cost.

We have agreed to purchase a Defibrillator and will also provide a grant to the Village Hall to help install Broadband.

Onley - The sewers at Onley have been adopted by Severn Trent Water, but there has recently been major flood problems caused by Water leaks which the Prison is still responsible for. Once repairs have taken place it is hoped that the Water will also be adopted.

The Parish Council is very pleased that Onley Park Youth Club has 19 members and is well attended on Friday nights.

The Fence around Onley Play Area has been repaired and the signage replaced. Concrete street lighting columns which were no longer in use have been removed.

Following consultation, via the Neighbourhood Plan, more seating will be provided at Onley.

Budget We have used some reserves to balance the books and keep the precept as low as possible and this year we have requested a precept of £41,837 which represents 1.17% increase on the precept requested for the previous year.

Parish Council meetings are open to the public and notices are published in advance and put on the notice boards in both villages, and on the website. We would encourage you to come along to these meetings and play your part in the community.

P Owen– Chairman
22nd April 2015

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BARBY& ONLEY PARISH COUNCIL SUMMARY RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

BANK RECONCILIATION - 31st March 2015

Opening Balance 01-04-14

Current Account	799.66		
Deposit Account	19106.69		
National Savings	71445.96		
B of I	4492.40		
Santander	54562.29		
	150407.00	Less unrepresented chqs	113.91
			<u>150293.09</u>

INCOME

Precept	41353.00		
Bank Interest	1278.37		
NP GRANT	840.00		
Advertising	569.00		
Phone Bill from KPC	260.20		
Conference Fees	230.70		
VAT refund	8637.27		
Stationery from KPC/RPC	284.90		
NAYC Youth Club Grant	250.00		
NCC Mowing Contribution	1587.14		
Training	47.98		
NCC Grant	2000.00		
	57338.56	Total Funds	<u>207631.65</u>

EXPENDITURE FROM CASH BOOK	General Spend		42720.85
	Ring Fenced Spend	Onley open space spend	5820.00
			48540.85
		Total	<u>48540.85</u>

Book Balance at 31st March 15 **159090.80****Bank Balance at 31st Mar 15**

Current Account	3254.91
Deposit Account	28618.72
TOTAL GENERAL ACCOUNT	31873.63

National Savings	71445.96
B of I	33.08
Santander Business Bond	55817.22
TOTAL RING FENCED for ONLEY	127296.26

TOTAL FUNDS HELD **159169.89**Less Unpresented Cheques **79.09****BALANCE at 31st Mar 2015** **159090.80***Catherine M Camp*

Date: 31-Mar-15

Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer.

Your Parish Councillors

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Police PCSO Kev Thompson	Tel 101 for non-emergencies, 999 for emergencies Kevin.Thompson@northants.police.uk	
Highway Problems	www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/streetdoctor or call 0300 126 1000 or contact Dom Fisher (07855 821432)	

Dates for Your Diary

May	3 rd	Closing date for the Tallest Sunflower Competition.
	7 th	Local and Parliamentary Elections 7.00am Village Halls
	9 th	Cream Teas 2.00pm to 4.00pm St Mary's Church
	10 th	Barby Church Trust AGM 7.30pm St Mary's Church
	12 th	WI 7.30pm Barby Village Hall
	13 th	Local History Group 7:45pm Barby Village Hall
	14 th	Parish Council Meeting 7.30 pm Barby Village Hall
	22 nd	Barby School and Pre School Term 5 ends
	22 nd	Mobile Library Barby Village Hall 10.50pm
	23 rd to 25 th	Rugby and District Art Society Spring Exhibition Barby Village Hall

Submissions for the next Newsletter should be sent to Ian Webb, 6 Daventry Road, Barby or email barbyandonleynewsletter@gmail.com or phone 01788 890800 by **Saturday 23rd May.**

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