

**Barby and Onley
Village Newsletter
April 2019**

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Parish Council News (From the Parish Clerk 01788 891184)

The next meeting of Barby & Onley Parish Council will be held on **Monday 8th April** at 7.30pm in Barby Village Hall, Kilsby Road, Barby. CV23 8TT. All members of the parish are welcome to attend, and the first 20 minutes of the meeting will be made available for public participation. If you have an issue which you would like the Parish Council to be aware of, then please come along and let them know and they will try to resolve it if possible. It may not be possible to give you an answer there and then, but the matter can be put on the Agenda for the following month's meeting.

Annual Parish Meeting will be held on **Monday 29th April** at 7.30pm in Barby Village Hall. Although this meeting is chaired by the Chairman of the Parish Council it is not a Parish Council meeting but a meeting for all residents of the Parish where any organisation is welcome to come along and give a report of

their activities over the past year. Please come along if you would like to let the village know what your group has been up to.

Our County Councillor will be at the Annual Parish Meeting and able to address any questions about the financial status of the County Council and what the next steps will be for Northamptonshire.

A representative from the District Council has been invited and will explain why our "Rural Housing Survey" needs an update and how and why it is carried out. We also will be inviting a representative from Leam Valley Voluntary Community First Responder's (CFR) trained by West Midlands Ambulance Service (WMAS) and presently associated with the Rugby Community First Responder team. They have been requested by WMAS to establish a new group known as Leam Valley CFRs, predominantly to serve the many villages within the Leam Valley area. As Barby is on the Warwickshire/Northamptonshire border and WMAS have a reciprocal cross border agreement with East Midlands Ambulance Service, on occasion, and when the need arises, they are tasked with calls out to villages in Northamptonshire. They would like the opportunity to introduce themselves to parishioners and to tell us about their role and what they can offer to our community.

Don't Forget the Village Litter Pick - Councillor Cliff Jones is arranging a Village Litter Pick on **SATURDAY 30th MARCH**. Meet at Barby Village Hall at 2.00pm. Gloves, Hi Vis jackets, litter pickers and bags will be provided. Please come along and give a hand tidying up the village.

Potholes - The County Council is responsible for the highway, so any potholes need to be reported to them, as they will only come and fix them if they are made aware of them. All members of the public can report potholes but the system for doing so has changed and been simplified.

Fix My Street - Northamptonshire County Council (NCC) has closed down "Street Doctor" and moving everything over to a new system called **Fix My Street**. Current reports have been moved over so they shouldn't have to be resubmitted and the old report reference numbers should still work. Fix My Street is simpler to use and mobile responsive and it allows photos to be attached to reports. The new system is available at www.northamptonshire.gov.uk. A direct link will be set up shortly. If you would rather speak to a person then phone 0300 126 1000 between 8.00am and 6.00pm or 07000 782112 if it is an emergency outside these hours.

Speedwatch - The village has signed up to have the speed guns again for a six-week period starting on 29th June. Please drive carefully through the village, as it is often locals in a hurry who get sent warning letters saying they were exceeding 30mph! We still need volunteers to train to use the speed gun, so please contact Nigel Gove (01788 891118) if you can spare an hour to help.

If you cycle through Barby then take care when travelling down Daventry Road, as the sun is low in the sky at this time of year and cyclists are often difficult to see clearly.

It has been brought to the attention of the Parish Council that small children cycling to school are often a long way ahead of their parents. It is much more difficult for motorists backing out of private driveways to see small children than

adults, so please if you are a parent, make sure your children are wary of cars when crossing driveways in the morning as well as those on the road. If you are a driver who crosses a footpath to leave your drive, then please take extra care.

2019/20 Budgets - We will all have received our Council Tax bills by now. The Parish Council has increased its funding by 4.7%. The estimated spending for next year is £53,330 therefore, the Parish Council requested £2,511 more than last year to be collected via the Council Tax. Sadly £2,511 doesn't buy very much extra these days, but the Council will do its best to use the money wisely and improve facilities in the village.

During the current financial year 2018/19 the Parish Council has had the surface of Barby Tennis Court painted and lined. We have secured a number of grants which have enabled us to install new Play Equipment at Barby and to top up the safety surfacing. We will also be installing Outdoor Fitness Equipment at both Barby and Onley very soon.

Despite a huge hike in the cost of electricity the LED street lighting upgrade carried out last year has helped to offset the increases. We have also installed a power supply on Barby Village Green. We will be installing 4 more street lights in particularly dark areas of the village very shortly. These are ordered and we are awaiting an installation date.

Onley has had a new notice board and a commemorate WW1 bench seat installed and repairs carried out to the fence around the play area.

The threat of a huge housing development at Lodge Farm, off A45 opposite Onley Park was fought and has been removed from Rugby's development plans.

Other projects which we have completed in the last year include tree work around the parish; tidied up the Pocket Park next to the Primary School; put in a height barrier for the sports field in partnership with Barby Townlands Charity and Barby Cricket Club; taken on ownership of 3 Grit bins which otherwise would have been removed by the County Council. The Parish Council also arranges and pays for mowing of the grass verges and open space areas in the parish and has taken on responsibility for litter picking within 30mph limits from DDC.

We have taken part in the Police Speedwatch initiative, and after many years of campaigning managed to get visits from the Police Speed camera van to monitor traffic speeds down Daventry road. Thanks very much to the band of hard-working Councillors who make it all happen.

Dogs - Please remember that dogs are not allowed in the Play Areas, Barby Sports field or in Millennium Orchard behind Barby Tennis Court. Thanks.

Parking on Verges. Please do not park on or drive on the village verges or pavements as it makes it very difficult for parents with pushchairs etc.

Clubs and Societies

Barby Cubs & Beavers are for boys aged 6 -10 years old, meeting on a Thursday between 6.00pm and 7.30pm. Contact Andy on 07834 592123 for more information or to place your son on the waiting list.

St Mary's Church Barby St. Mary's Church, Barby will be open on Saturday 6th April and Saturday 4th May from 12 noon to 2.00pm for homemade soup and a roll, homemade desserts & cream, tea or coffee all for £4.50. Games and activities for children. All proceeds go to St. Mary's Church.

The Church Fete will take place this year on Sunday June 16th - thank you to new volunteers. As it is also Father's Day, please bring all fathers along to enjoy a burger and beer and all the fun of the fete. This year we would like to showcase Barby arts and crafts. If you are a "crafter" in any field perhaps you would consider donating some items or giving a percentage of sales. See you on 16th June. Offers of help would be appreciated. Contact Ros on 01788 890777.

Barby Gardening Club – This month's meeting will be on Tuesday 16th April at 7.45pm in Barby Village Hall when Sally Cunningham will talk about Medicinal Herbs. This is the last talk of the 2018/19 winter programme. Visitors are always welcome for a £2 contribution.



2019 Tallest Sunflower Competition - The competition is open to children of primary school age or younger who live in Barby or Onley. Please contact Bernard Scott, 33 Daventry Road (01788 890635) for an entry form. Closing date is 4th May 2019. The sunflowers will be measured to their highest point just before Barby Show and the winner's trophy and prizes will be presented at the Show on September 8th.

Evergreen Club – Our next meetings will be on Wednesdays 3rd April and 1st May. 2.00pm to 4.00pm in Barby Village Hall. Please note the meeting on Wed 17th April will start at **1.00pm** for a fish & chip lunch.

Barby Church Trust (charity no 277482) - "**Taps & Toilet 100 Club**". The next Breakfast Café will be on Sunday 21st April (Easter Sunday) from 9.30am to 11.30am in Barby Village Hall where the April draw of the 100 Club will be made. There will also be an Easter raffle

At the Breakfast Café, on 17th March, the March draw was made, and the winning numbers were No 97 (Sheila Richter) who won £200 and No 71 (Chris Slassor) who won £100. Congratulations to both. Anyone wishing to join the 'Taps & Toilet' 100 club please give Chris a call on 01788 890963. Thank you to everyone who took part in the first year and good luck in the second year.

Barby Cricket Club – 100 Club winners in the February draw were:

T. Gleghorn - £80.00; J. Lester - £50.00; K. Nobes; - £40.00

The Indoor Nets sessions will be held at Bilton School on the following dates: -

Senior Nets on Friday evenings until 5th April 6.00pm. to 7.30pm.

Junior Nets on Tuesday evenings 12th Mar to 16th April inc. 5.30pm.to 7.00 pm.

Any queries to Janet Lester on 01788 90553.

Badminton – If you are interested in playing Badminton then please join us on Wednesdays at 8.00pm in the Village Hall. All standards welcome.

Barby Mums and Tots Group – We meet in Barby Village Hall on Wednesday mornings during term time from 9.15am to 11.15am. Cost £2 including a drink and refreshments. For more information, contact Nikki (07712 579212)

Barby Twinning Association - Visit from our twinned village, Vulaines sur Seine to Barby from Friday June 7th to Monday June 10th 2019. We welcome anyone (especially families) from the Barby and Daventry area interested in forming lasting friendships with people from Vulaines near Fontainebleau in France. For more information contact Christine on 01788 522865.

Barby Pre-School – In Barby Village Hall all day Monday to Friday from 9.00am to 3.00pm. Contact Debbie on 07789 428463 or info@barbypreschool.co.uk.

Quiz Night at Barby Village Hall on Sunday 19th May 2019. 7.15pm arrival for a prompt 7.30pm start. Quiz Master - Nic Paul. Entries are invited from teams of 4 (£8 per team) to Mrs Gill Leopard 19 Holme Way, Barby 01788 891090 or Cat Sabine 11 Castle Mound, Barby 07909 680508. Licensed bar, refreshments, raffle and quiz prizes. All proceeds to Barby Pre School (Charity No 1037947).

Barby Local History Group <http://www.barbylhq.org.uk> - Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 10th April at 7.45pm in Barby Village Hall. We shall welcome local resident Bob Wilson who is coming to share his memories and experiences during his life and work in the local area. All are welcome. We also urge you to visit our website to find interesting articles on Barby's past, recent and distant. Secretary: Ann Luntley 01788 890760.

New Age Kurling – Monday afternoons 2.00pm to 4.00pm in Barby Village Hall. £2.50, which includes equipment, tea and biscuits. All welcome.

WI – At our last meeting we had our illusions shattered when we heard the musical / film "The Sound of Music" bore little resemblance to the truth, never mind we all like a good story!! We welcomed Wendi as a new visitor. At our next meeting, Tuesday April 9th in the Old School Room at 7.30, Andrew Custley will tell us some of the History of Folk Music. We love to welcome visitors so why not be our next one and come along to a meeting. For more info contact Chris on 01788 890963.

We are planning our summer outing on Tuesday 18th June, going to Ashbourne in Derbyshire in the morning and then on to Tutbury Castle in time for lunch. This will be followed by a talk given by Leslie Smith on Peggy Knight who worked in Churchill's Government during World War 11 and went on to become a spy. We have a few spare seats on the coach if you would like to join us. For further details, please contact Mary Evans on 01788 890114.

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

Barby Townlands & Educational Charity – There are some **vacant allotments** in the centre of Barby which are available to rent. A full allotment costs £22 per year. Smaller plots are available, should that be more suitable. Please apply by contacting Sally Robbins on 07501 7764 362, or Sally.robbinspcp@gmail.com.

Young Persons Grant - In 2018 we started a Young Person's Grant for all children aged between 16 and 19 living in Barby and Onley. The grant is £100 per person. All you need to do is to write a letter to the trustees explaining how you would spend the money - it could be on absolutely anything, from college or university books, festival tickets, or towards a holiday. Post your letter to 11 Castle Mound, Barby or email catsabine@outlook.com.

Advance Notice Garage Sale – This year's Garage Sale will take place on Sunday 9th 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.

Other News

Barby Village Hall - Trad Jazz with a 2 course Sunday meal (& Pay Bar) on Sunday May 12th from 12noon till 4.00pm (doors open 11.00am). Tickets (£12.50) available from Gill Leppard (01788 891091) or Chris Smith (01788 890963). In aid of Barby Village Hall (Charity no 304159)

Napton Art Group Easter Exhibition 2019 - Napton Art Group are holding their ever-popular Easter Exhibition on Saturday 20th April and Sunday 21st April at Napton Village Hall (CV47 8LS) from 10.00am until 5.00pm.

Rugby & District Art Society are holding their spring art exhibition (an exhibition of paintings, ceramics and art) on Saturday, Sunday and Monday 25th, 26th & 27th May in Barby Village Hall 10.00am to 5.00pm. Free admission. Refreshments available.

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Pilates at Barby

Pilates – A gentle but effective exercise, strengthening core stability. Particularly helpful for back pain sufferers. Two classes every Tuesday 9.30am and 10.30am in Barby Village Hall, £6 a session. Suitable for all abilities, qualified instructor. For information call Mary on 01788 890614.

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Highway Problems	www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/streetdoctor or call 0300 126 1000 or contact Dom Fisher (07855 821432)	

Submissions for the May Newsletter should be sent to Ian Webb, 6 Daventry Road, barbyandonleynewsletter@gmail.com (01788 890800) by **21st April**

Dates for Your Diary

March	30 th	Village Litter Pick – Barby Village Hall 2.00pm
April	3 rd	Evergreen Club – Barby Village Hall 2.00pm
	5 th	Term 4 ends Barby Primary and Barby Pre School
	6 th	Homemade Soup & Roll - St Mary's Church 12noon to 2.00pm
	8 th	Parish Council Meeting – Barby Village Hall 7.30pm
	9 th	WI – Barby Village Hall – 7.30pm
	10 th	Local History Group AGM – Barby Village Hall 7.45pm
	16 th	Gardening Club – Barby Village Hall – 7.45pm
	17 th	Evergreen Club – Barby Village Hall 1.00pm for fish & chip lunch
	21 st	Breakfast Café - Barby Village Hall 9.30am to 11.30am
	24 th	Term 5 starts Barby Primary and Barby Pre School
	26 th	Fashion Show- Barby Village Hall 7.00pm for 7.30pm
	29 th	Annual Parish Meeting Barby Village Hall 7.30pm

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