

Barby and Onley Village Newsletter May 2020

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VE DAY

Friday 8th May
2020

Many of us have been touched by the valiant fund-raising efforts of Captain Tom Moore, who also served his country during the War.

We cannot meet to commemorate VE Day, but perhaps we can share in thanking those who fought for us.

Parish Council News (From the Parish Clerk 01788 891184)

In these unprecedented times the Parish Council would like to thank all those in our wonderful parish who have offered help and support to friends and neighbours and come up with innovative ideas to help each other.

We hope that most of us will be able to stay healthy and will not be touched by this horrible virus. For those of you who have lost relatives or friends, our thoughts are very much with you.

The Parish Council is still operating to ensure that the basics in the village can carry on. We are paying the street lighting bills and making sure that, if our contractors are able to operate within government guidelines, the grass is being mown and repairs are carried out.

The latest guidance can be found at the following website

<https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-ukgovernment-response>

Parish Council Meetings – We held our April Parish Council meeting remotely via “Zoom” which worked well. We intend to hold a virtual meeting on Monday 11th May, unless by that date we are once again able to meet face to face.

The May meeting of the Parish Council would normally be the AGM of the council when a new chairman is appointed, however legislation has been changed in light of the pandemic to allow the AGM to take place at such time as the Parish Council determines. Barby & Onley Parish Council has decided that this will take place at the next face to face meeting we are able to hold. The current councillors will remain in office until May 2021 as the elections have been postponed for a year and will now take place on 6th May 2021. An agenda for meetings (virtual or face to face) will be posted on the notice boards as usual, and will also be available on the website www.barbyandonleyparishcouncil.co.uk. Minutes will be posted on the noticeboards and website following the meetings.

The Annual Parish Meeting which was going to take place on Monday 27th April, will not be held this year, however the Chairman and Clerk will produce an annual report outlining what the Parish Council has achieved over the year, which will then be published on the website.

Play Areas - As directed by the government, we have had to padlock the gates of Barby Play Area and Onley Park Play Area. This is because the coronavirus can last for up to 72 hours on metal and plastic surfaces, and therefore if lots of children play on the equipment there is an increased risk of picking up the virus. Please continue to respect this and keep out of the area. Please also **KEEP OFF** the skate ramp. Groups congregating at the skate ramp should be reported to the Police on 101, as they are putting themselves (and their families) at risk.

We will re-open the play areas and skate ramp as soon as we can and that it is safe to do so. Thank you all for your patience and understanding.

You may have noticed that the swings and tower have been removed from Barby Play Area. These will be replaced with new swings and a slide once the company who is manufacturing them is able to resume installations. The old wooden equipment had reached the end of its life and was identified as a risk by our annual RoSPA playground inspection.

Bin Collections - Daventry District Council have continued to collect our bins. The bin men have gloves, but they ask that you clean the handles of your bin when you put it out for them, and clean them again before you pull it in. Please make sure you wash your hands thoroughly. Coronavirus can remain active on plastic surfaces for a number of days, and since the bin men touch about 2,000 bins a day the virus could be easily transferred. Please help to keep your family and our bin men safe.

Daily Walks - Please take care when opening gates and climbing over stiles as they are other areas where the virus might lurk.

Litter picking - The clerk has a number of litter pickers, bin liners and gloves available if anyone would like to incorporate some litter picking into their daily exercise regime. Email her on clerk@barbyandonleyparishcouncil.co.uk and you can pick up a set from outside 18 Kilsby Road, or she can drop them off to you.

Defibrillator at Onley - The old phone box at Onley Park has had a defibrillator installed in it. If anyone has a suspected heart attack, phone 999 and the operator will be able to direct you to the nearest defibrillator and talk you through what to do whilst the ambulance is travelling to get to you. The defibrillator is easy to use. It's in a locked cabinet, but you will be given a code to open the cabinet by the 999 operator, should you need to use it, and the machine has simple instructions and "talks to you" to tell you what you need to do. Once we are able to reconvene meetings, the Parish Council will arrange a training session in how to give CPR and use the defibrillator. Is there anyone at Onley who is prepared to check the defibrillator each week to make sure it is there, and that the battery and pads are in date, and operational? Please can you contact the Clerk if you are prepared to take on this important voluntary role.

Council Tax - The Parish Council has received a query asking whether the Council tax can be reduced due to the Coronavirus pandemic. Unfortunately, the budgets had already been set, and submitted to the District Council for processing. The Council tax levels had been set before the outbreak and therefore it is not possible to change the Parish Council precept for 2020/21. Anyone struggling to pay their Council tax should contact Daventry District Council on 01327 871100 and discuss this with them, or look at their website which has details of help available. <https://www.daventrydc.gov.uk/living/council-tax/coronavirus-council-tax-support/>

Roads and Potholes – It's lovely to see lots of families out on bikes, but please can children be reminded that cars may still be backing out of their driveways to go shopping. It is sensible to wear a helmet, and be aware of other road-users. It is also noticeable that vehicles are speeding through the village – please watch your speed and drive carefully.

Although we have less vehicles on the roads, we do still have potholes, so please continue to report any that you come across. These can be reported on-line at www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/fixmystreet. 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.

Northamptonshire Local Resilience Forum - is made up from key organisations across Northamptonshire such as emergency services, health and local authorities who put in place plans under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004. As part of their role they provide a dedicated help line where we can provide assistance and help to support Northamptonshire's vulnerable residents. The dedicated support line is: **0300 126 1000 (option 5)**. Their latest update is

available on our website at

https://www.barbyandonleyparishcouncil.co.uk/Covid-19_30916.aspx

Coronavirus and Scams - Be aware of scams and protect yourself and those you are helping. Be particularly aware of people offering or selling coronavirus testing kits (these are only offered by the NHS), vaccines or miracle cures (there is currently no vaccine or cure), overpriced or fake goods to protect yourself from coronavirus, shopping or medication collection services, offers to clean your home of coronavirus

Don't assume everyone is genuine. It's okay to reject, refuse or ignore any requests. If someone attempts to pressure you into accepting a service then they are unlikely to be genuine.

For advice on scams call the Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline on:0808 223 11 33. To report a scam, call Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040. Contact your bank if you think you have been scammed.

Priority Services – Most utility suppliers offer a priority register for elderly or vulnerable people. They all aim to give you practical support if you need it. Please make sure you are registered with your utility supplier if you are elderly or in any way vulnerable.

Coronavirus and what we can all do to help

Please continue to follow the Government advice to help stop coronavirus spreading: Please do not be afraid or hesitant in asking for help – we are all in this together. If you are self-isolating and/or need help with shopping, posting mail, lawn mowing or just a friendly phone call, please contact one of the volunteers below.

If there is anything that you need and are not sure where to go the Parish Council may be able to provide the information. Just phone 01788 891184 or email the Clerk on clerk@barbyandonleyparishcouncil.co.uk

✔ You should only leave your home for one of the following reasons:

- Shopping for basic necessities
- Daily exercise
- Any medical need
- Travelling to and from essential work

✔ Everyone should follow the guidelines on social distancing. These include keeping a 2m. space between individuals, avoiding non-essential use of public transport, working from home wherever possible. Gatherings of 2 or more people who do not live together are prohibited. You must use telephone and online services wherever possible.

✔ If you do leave your home, wash your hands as soon as you return.

The latest guidance (at 26th April) can be found at the following website <https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response>

- Please follow government guidelines and take this seriously
- Please do not be afraid or hesitant in asking for help – we are all in this together
- Please note that this is a fast-moving situation and the government is updating its advice daily – note this newsletter is based on the advice at Sunday 26th April and this may change in the next few weeks.

List of volunteers or alternatively call a Parish Councillor or the Parish Clerk.

Road/Volunteer/Contact No	Volunteer/Contact No
<u>Balding Close</u> Natasha Von Werkhoeven - 0782 564 1443	Sarah Wilson - 0797 636 6856
<u>Brackendale Drive</u> Kerry Norton - 0775 921 7621	Samantha Gurny - 0777 946 3880 Kath & Steve - 01788 891615 / 0781 768 7848
<u>Castle Mound</u> Naomi Teagles - 0772 526 0125 Cat Sabine - 0790 968 0508	Nigel & Lyndsey Parkinson - 0744 341 7303
<u>Daventry Road</u> Steve Gee - 0796 999 2557 Ian & Pat Webb - 0777 176 2997 Natalie Kimberley - 0781 654 2564	Abi Owen - 0796 483 3211 Paul Reynolds - 0781 555 1202 Natalie Downing - 0754 963 6461
<u>Holme Way</u>	Liz Campell Smith - 0797 741 4913
<u>Kilsby Road</u> Emily Archer - 0790 509 7605 Mandy Green - 0781 654 2564	Jo Durham - 0737 551 9832 Jo Martin - 0779 022 2068 Zac Middleton - 0776 656 4071
<u>Longdown Lane</u>	Jo & Richard Good - 0797 663 8616
<u>Mitchison Close</u> Sharon Walsh Fuller - 0759 570 4280	Tara Hancock - 0770 640 7534
<u>Pittoms Lane</u>	Pete Morgan - 0787 906 3109
<u>Rugby Road</u> Andrea MacMahon - 0771 165 4556	Neill Smith - 0744 421 5889 Sarah Harper - 0750 799 0668
<u>Rectory Close</u> Pippa Reeve - 0787 631 5111 / 01788 890733	
<u>Star Corner</u>	Darren Bell - 0774 811 7068
<u>The Green</u> Debs and Baggie - 0773 878 4723	Kevin Brentengani - 0776 274 1976
<u>Onley Park, Onley</u> Adrian Cooper - 01788 819060 / 0752 760 6823 Dawn Cotton - 01788 815906 / 0738 898 0144 Paula Smith - Prescriptions for patients of Markey Quarter or Beech Tree practice or Well Pharmacy, Drovers Close - 07920 050742	

Scrubs Up For Northants NHS are looking for experienced machinists, anyone with fabric that can be donated, fabric supplier contacts, and monetary donations to their Just Giving page to help them purchase materials to make scrubs for hospitals, GP surgeries and medical centres across Northamptonshire. For further information please view <https://facebook.com/scrubsupnorthants> , (@scrubsupnorthants), <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/katie-rashid>

Take away and local delivery services

Barby Village Stores – Due to the pandemic Barby Stores changed its opening hours to Monday to Saturday 7.00am to 6.00pm, Sunday 8.00am to 3.00pm. Babs is offering a newspaper delivery service and food delivery service, both free of charge to anyone unable to collect. All you need to do is ring Babs on 01788 890360 and he will tell you how to use the ordering system. If you do go to the shop **everyone** must please distance themselves. To ignore this puts the shop staff at risk.

Onley Grounds Farm Shop & Butchery – The shop is currently open and if you are self-isolating, they are offering a free delivery service in the local area including Rugby and Daventry. To place an order, please call 01926 888318 or alternatively you can place your order over Facebook. See their website for details <http://www.onleygroundsfarmshop.co.uk/>

Barby Nurseries - The garden centre is temporarily closed to the public but have organised an 'order and collect' service for all essential gardening items, as well as offering a 'no contact' delivery service to customers. For orders please contact us by phone on 01788 890 314 or place an order via our online shop. <https://www.barbynurseries.co.uk/>

Gary's Fine Fish – every Thursday at The Arnold Arms. He is happy to deliver if you are isolating text him on 0785 079 2760 with your request and your address and he will deliver – payment is by BACs.

The Lost Farm, Grandborough - Selling barbecue packs but also other meats. Contact Rachel Dunn 07811 122 619. rachel@thelostfarm.com. Website <http://www.thelostfarm.com/index.html>

Joseph Morris Butchers (24 hours' notice required) Ring 0185 857 5210. <http://www.joseph-morris-butchers.co.uk/>

Clubs and Societies

Barby Cricket Club – The monthly draws of the 100 club have been suspended and they will all be made when conditions allow.

Barby Church Trust (charity no 277482) - “**Taps & Toilet 100 Club**”. The winner of the April 100 Club draw was Cliff Jones with ball no 18. The draw took place outside Barby Stores on Sunday 19th April. The next draw will take place on Sunday 17th May. If you are interested in taking part in this draw, then please contact Chris Smith on 01788 890963.

Barby Gardening Club – Advance notice of classes for the Annual Produce Show on September 6th (Assuming that it will be possible to hold the show).

Photographic classes: - Adult 1. Shadows, 2. Landscape:

12-16 years old – Weather; Under 12yrs – Pets.

Handicrafts: - Adults – 1. A knitted or crochet item; 2. A needlework item (using stitches), 3. A textile item (using fabric/felt etc.)

Children 12-16 years old A bug hotel; 6 to 11years An animal made from vegetables/fruit; Under 6 years Colour the picture (see the show schedule

Cookery classes – 1. A jar of fruit jam or jelly; 2. Jar of Jam, 3. A Jar of Chutney or Pickle. Chutney must be made at least 3 months before the date of the show.

Advance Notice - Sunday 29th November will hopefully see the return of our **2-course Lunch and Jazz** event in aid of Barby Village Hall. This year we are going to be entertained by the Fenny Stompers from the Milton Keynes. Doors open at 11.00am. To reserve a ticket please contact Gill Leppard 01788 891091

Your Parish Councillors

<u>Chairperson</u> Dawn Cotton	69 Onley Park, Willoughby	01788 815906 dawn.cotton@bopc.org.uk
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<u>Parish Clerk</u> Catherine Camp	Hopthorne Farm, 18 Kilsby Road, Barby	01788 891184 clerk@barbyandonleyparishcouncil.co.uk
<u>Police</u>	Tel 101 for non-emergencies, 999 for emergencies craig.egddell@northants.pnn.police.uk (0755 777 8055)	
Highway Problems	www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/streetdoctor or call 0300 126 1000 or contact Dom Fisher (0785 582 1432)	

Submissions for the next Newsletter (**June**) should be sent to Ian Webb, 6 Daventry Road, barbyandonleynewsletter@gmail.com (01788 890800) by **24th May**.

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