

## £50k Funding Approved For Enchanted Garden: New Children's Play Facilities In Barrowby

Our lucky youngsters in Barrowby are set to get an Enchanted Garden on the Village Green thanks to a 'fantastic' £49,835.00 grant from WREN's FCC Community Action Fund ([www.wren.org.uk](http://www.wren.org.uk)).

Over 20 pieces of new equipment have been chosen to inspire our children to get outdoors, designed to maximise play value and keep children of all ages and abilities engaged time after time. Play is at the heart of this innovative design and the volunteers in the Barrowby Play Equipment Forum team have ensured that the layout and equipment is high quality to attract children. The scheme has wheelchair access and includes the installation of new equipment and safety surfacing, in addition to the re-use of the existing slide.

As people might remember from last year's Barrowby Showcase and other events, the Forum held a number of consultations and equipment was selected as a result of user feedback – most particularly from the children! Some of the exciting new equipment (pictured) includes a 'Magical Treehouse', a wooden Balancing & Climbing Structure (part of an Obstacle Trail), a Cableway, a 'Potting Shed', a 'Spiders Web' (Summit Playnet), a Speed Gyro and a giant timber Garden Spider!



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It was important that the village aesthetic was retained and the Forum has worked hard to ensure that the Green remains an open community space which can be enjoyed by all - a key consideration throughout the project given the important location and different user groups. The new scheme will better use the space where the existing playground is located, as well as siting some new equipment along the length of the edge/border with Casthorpe Road to minimise the total amount of space used. The voluntary Forum worked on the design, community consultation, procurement and fund-raising and the project has been widely supported by stakeholders throughout the process.

It will take around three months to construct the playground, which will hopefully be ready for use by the summer – complete with an official opening and village event to celebrate! Phil Cupit of the Parish Council and Barrowby Play Equipment Forum believes the project will make a huge difference and provide a real boost to the people of Barrowby. Cheryl Raynor, WREN's regional grant manager said: "We are delighted to be supporting the Enchanted Garden play area project and pleased that our funding will provide such a fantastic facility for children and their families in Barrowby and the surrounding villages".

And for those of you who use Adamstiles, this is also to be completed over the summer.

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# Parish News



## Update on the Royal British Legion site

The Parish Council are still exploring funding options to finance the possible purchase of the Royal British Legion land and will keep everyone updated as news develops.

## Best Kept Village

We now have a permanent celebration of our magnificent win in last year's Best Kept Village competition as the signs are now up on all the roads into the village. We have also received new Barrowby signs.

## Start to plan your Scarecrow now! Exciting changes to the weekend...

The weekend of the 2nd and 3rd September 2017 (after the August Bank Holiday) is the 6th Barrowby Scarecrow Festival and Family BBQ. The theme this year is 'Family Movies' (12 cert. or younger) which gives great scope for creativity and fun for all the family. The usual burgers and veggie burgers will be available as well as live music and the prize giving. As in the last two years there will be a People's Choice award (with judging and voting over the two days this year) and an exciting children's competition.

On The Green will be the usual tombola, book stall, allotment produce stall and 'Games on the Green' as well as tea and cakes at the Parish Church. Made-in-Barrowby will be showcasing the talents of local villagers and, if you have any energy left, the new play equipment will be available on the Green too!

You can start to design your scarecrow now but entry forms won't be available until early summer. You will be able to download them from the Parish Council web site or pick them up via Barrowby News as usual. The entry fee is the same at £2 and completed forms should be returned to Skinners. Each entry

will receive a BBQ voucher for ONE free burger or hot dog.

**Contact Brian on 07793 198948 if you can help or have tombola items and remember the weekend is organised to support Barrowby News and to have FUN and celebrate the best of Barrowby at the same time!**

**Let's all hope for better weather this year!!**

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**For More Information Call Mike on  
01476 567075      07941 752272**

## DIARY DATES

Sunday 2nd April: Quiz at the White Swan

Monday 10th April: Parish Council Open Session 6.45pm

Tuesday 11th April: Newsletter AGM 7.30pm.

Please call Brian on 07793 198948 if you would like to come along

Wednesday 12th April: Bellringers AGM 7.30pm

Thursday 13th April: Folk at the Swan

Wednesday 19th April: Pavilion committee open session 7pm

Monday 24th April: Singing at the White Swan

Saturday 20th May: Magical Musical Mystery Tour at Church 2pm and 7pm.



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## Around the Parish



### **Barrowby W.I.: 'Show the Love'...supporting action on climate change**

Jardine Ferne, President of our W.I. says: "After seeing 'SHOW THE LOVE' on the front cover of the February issue of the W.I. 'LIFE' magazine, I was intrigued to find out more. Having read the article, I thought: 'I can make a GREEN crochet heart to wear on Valentine's Day, in support of everything we could lose due to climate change'.

Sheila, our Secretary, thought it would be a wonderful idea to make each of our members a GREEN heart at our next meeting and Sheila Scothern kindly made 30 hearts.

Barrowby W.I. meet at the Memorial Hall 7pm on the third Wednesday of every month.

### **Barrowby Scouts enjoy chilling out...**

Barrowby Scouts took time out to enjoy themselves at Jump Revolution, finishing with pizza and ice cream after jumping around on the various trampolines (watched from a safe distance by their Leaders)! The group is still collecting Sainsbury Active Kids vouchers.

Are you interested in becoming a Scout leader? We need new leaders so if you would like to know more please call Sara on 07803 936455.



### **Barrowby School win again!**

Barrowby recently competed in the annual 'Colsterworth Performing Arts Festival', at the Meres Leisure Centre, involving 121 children from Years 1 to 6 and competing in a range of classes.

Our children were a real credit to our school and performed brilliantly, with enthusiasm, dedication and skill.

The school is delighted to announce the results:

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| * Key Stage 1 Choir                      | - 1st Place (4th consecutive year)        |
| * Key Stage 2 Choir                      | - 1st Place (6th consecutive year)        |
| * Y3 & 4 Choral Speaking                 | - 1st Place (new category)                |
| * Y5 & 6 Choral Speaking                 | - 1st Place (3rd consecutive year)        |
| * Y5 & 6 Recorders                       | - 1st Place (1st year-came 2nd last year) |
| * Y5 & 6 Educational Dance               | - 1st Place (new category)                |
| * Instrumental Ensemble (without vocals) | - 2nd Place                               |

Many congratulations to all the children and thanks to the all the parents for their continued support.

### **Pre-school had a 'flipping' great Pancake Day!**

Jess says: "The children enjoyed mixing and making the pancake batter and then choosing what to put on their pancake - we had all sorts of delicious (and not so delicious) concoctions to try! We also took part in pancake racing and we all had a go at flipping a pancake - this was really tricky but the children had fun trying".

Jess also says: "We are also very excited to announce that Barrowby Preschool is now open longer. From Easter we will be open 9-2 and in September we will be opening 9-3 daily. We do still have a few spaces for Summer Term if you would like your child to attend before going to Big School."

Registration has now begun for children starting in September. If you would like more information please call in, phone 07415450311 or email [barrowbypreschool@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:barrowbypreschool@yahoo.co.uk)



## All Saints' Church

### Sunday 2nd April

8.00am Holy Communion  
9.00am Prayer for Healing  
9.30am Morning Praise

### Sunday 9th April: Palm Sunday

8.00am Morning Prayer  
10.30am Holy Communion - meet on village green,  
then process to church

### Maundy Thursday

6.00pm Worship and bring and share supper

### Good Friday

2.00pm -3.00pm Meditations

### Sunday 16th April: Easter Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion  
9.30am Families Communion

### Wednesday 19th April

2.00pm Worship, tea and cake  
Redlands, Low Road

### Sunday 23rd April

8.00am Morning Prayer  
10.30am Morning Prayer and Sunday Club followed  
by lunch

*For more information or to arrange a lift, just  
ask. Rev Peter Hopkins 01476 565737*

## Barrowby Baptist Fellowship

We meet in the Memorial Hall. All welcome.

**Sundays:** 10.15 Worship and Sunday School

**Mondays:** 10.00 Cane and Able Coffee Morning  
John 01400 250475 or Veronica 593317

**Fridays:** 6.30 Fantastic Friday Youth Group  
Phil 07904 492190

## Get in Touch

**Deadlines for forthcoming issues:**

11th April for May issue

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## Barrowby Bell Ringers AGM

The Barrowby Bell Ringers will be holding their AGM in Church on 12th April 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend, you do not need to be able to ring bells, just interested in what the bell ringers are doing.

If you want any more information, or want to join our happy band, contact Melissa Blanchard (Tower Captain) [barrowby@sb.ldgcb.org.uk](mailto:barrowby@sb.ldgcb.org.uk) or ring 01476 573583

## Remember to register for the election

The election for our local County Councillor takes place on 4th of May 2017. Don't waste the chance to have your voice heard.

Registering to vote is quick and simple. You can register online at <https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote> or you can register by post. Call SKDC on 01476 406080.

The deadline for registration is the 13th of April 2017.

You can apply for a 'postal vote' which means you will be sent a ballot paper to fill in at home and post back to be counted. Just click the postal vote option when registering.



**On the 2nd June 2017 Barrowby Helping Hands are arranging an afternoon coach trip to Whisby Garden Centre, then on to Whisby Nature Reserve, Lincoln for afternoon tea at a small charge of £5 per head.**

**To reserve a seat please call 07716 961196**

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