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Annual Parish Meeting Update

The Annual Parish Meeting was introduced by Cllr. Cross, the Chairman of Barrowby Parish Council, and was attended by 9 parishioners and County Councillors Westrop and Whittington as well as a number of Parish Councillors.

Finance

The Chairman began by explaining that the Parish Council is committed to a policy of openness and transparency and he explained some of the key issues regarding Parish Council finances over the past year. Copies of the budget for 2016/17 and 2017/18 were shown to explain how the Parish Council budget is spent. He explained that the items of expenditure on the Reading Room and the new play equipment on the Village Green and Adam Stiles were outside the revenue budget and are funded from reserves and a grant. The parish council, through the endeavours of the Playground Forum, had succeeded in gaining a grant for £49,853.00 from WREN. This money was ring fenced for the play equipment project. The remaining funding was to be drawn from the proceeds of the sale of Adam Stiles for a limited housing development. The Chairman also explained that, despite rising costs, the precept had remained unchanged for 5 years but this year the Council had felt there was no choice other than to impose a 2% increase in the precept.

Current Initiatives

The Chairman reported on current initiatives regarding the Reading Room and the provision of replacement play equipment. Other issues included: Traffic reactive speed indicators; Problems with irresponsible dog owners and dog mess and Neighbourhood Planning. Discussion took place regarding the intended Neighbourhood Plan. It was emphasised by those involved that this had to be a community project with the maximum community involvement – it was not a function that could be delegated to the Parish Council alone. The Neighbourhood Plan will give us some protection against excessive development and give the community some say in what sites are developed and what is built.

Future Plans

The Chairman reported that it is hoped to progress the Neighbourhood Plan in the coming year as well as responding to the village vote on the future of the British Legion site. However, the Parish Council is not in a financial position to make a purchase of the site. The Chairman concluded by stating that all parishioners are welcome to attend Parish Council meetings and that there is a public forum at the beginning of every meeting when members of the public are welcome to speak.

Representatives of village organisations were then invited to make their presentations. Karolyn Dixon and Leslie Heap, representing Barrowby Helping Hands, spoke about the work of their organisation. They went on to explain that a coach trip to Pennells Garden Centre at North Hykeham has been arranged for June 2nd for a charge of £5.00.

A parishioner thanked the Parish Council for the work they put in to managing the affairs of the village and the appearance of the village – justly rewarded by being winners of the Best Kept Village Competition 2016.

Litter Pick

A reminder was given that a litter pick of the village will take place on Sunday 28th May at 2.00p.m., meeting at the British Legion. Equipment and gloves will be provided.

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Parish News



Barrowby News reaches across the miles!

Readers may remember that back in July and August 2013 we featured two stories relating to Acting Bombardier Walter Redmile. Walter was born in 1891, in Corby Glen, and in the 1901 census was living in Cabbage Court in Barrowby (now Welby Court), with his parents, Samuel and Lucy Redmile, and 6 siblings.

Our feature in July 2013 related to Walter Redmile's First World War medal and bar, which had come to light in Halifax. After the war, Walter moved to Yorkshire, and became the local policeman in Thongsbridge near Holmfirth, south of Huddersfield. He died there in 1958.

An appeal was put out to find relatives of Walter Redmile, in an attempt to reunite them with Walter's medals. Nothing appeared to have come of this, until earlier this year, when Alan Redmile, Walter's grandson, saw a copy of The Barrowby News on the Parish Council website. Alan lives in Sidney, Australia, having left the UK for New Zealand with his parents at the age of 10 in 1956. Alan met up with Parish Councillor Brian Inglis in Barrowby in May this year, whilst on a tour of the UK visiting relatives and seeking further information about his family.



Walter's parents, Samuel and Lucy Redmile

The photograph of Samuel and Lucy Redmile above is the only picture Alan has of his great grandparents. To date he has been unable to contact the dealer in Halifax who was the last person known to have Walter Redmile's WW1 medals. We wish Alan every success in his efforts to make links with his relatives in the UK, and in his attempt to find his grandfather Walter's medals.

Do you have relatives abroad? Tell them about the Barrowby News! They can easily find us online via the Barrowby Parish Council Website at parishes.lincolnshire.gov.uk/Barrowby or just Google Barrowby News.



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DIARY DATES

Thursday 8th June: Parliamentary Election
Monday 12th June: Parish Council Open Session, 6.45pm.
Tuesday 20th June: Mobile Library Casthorpe Road next to the Village Green, 12.15-12.45pm
Thursday 29th June: Barrowby Veterans Association Club Night 7.30pm, Reading Room.

Around the Parish



Scouts

For Pancake Day this year, for something different the Scouts made coloured pancakes, using their more creative side to see what weird and wonderful concoctions they could come up with. With mixed results ranging from 'throw it straight into the bin' to 'nothing left on the plate', the night went well, and the Scouts enjoyed a lot of fun.



The Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers have finished now but please if anyone has any left over and would like to donate them to the Scout Group by all means call Sara on: 07803936455. Thank you to those that have already donated to the group: it is very much appreciated.

Barrowby's Enchanted Garden

Hold the date! The new playground is due to be opened on 29th July. Look out in next month's issue for details of the grand opening event.

Scarecrow Weekend

Make sure it is on your calendar! Weekend of 2nd and 3rd September is Scarecrow Weekend. The theme this year is Family Films. Entry forms will be available with next month's Barrowby News, and on the Parish Council website: parishes.lincolnshire.gov.uk/Barrowby

Charity Cajun Music Night

Saturday 1st July – 6.15 – 9 p.m. Barrowby Memorial Hall. Music and Dance with the Swamp Critters, all the way from the USA – all profits for the Citizens Advice Centre. £10 to include supper and soft drinks, music and dance! Tickets from Vonnice at vjtownsend18@gmail.com, or 07811 234974.

Barrowby Pre-School

We have been learning all about growing this month. The 3 and 4 year olds have been enjoying comparing heights with each other and talking about what we need to do to grow big and strong - they decided eating all their tea, sleeping lots and playing nicely.

The 2 year olds have been helping water the plants and whilst talking have been using lots of descriptive words like tallest and shortest as we discuss how they keep changing.

The children going to school have enjoyed staying until 2pm and been busy learning the letters from their names. We have spaces left for September, if you secure your child's place before the end of May you will receive a Preschool fleece. Call in or get in touch today!

Barrowby Helping Hands is a non-profit organisation to help those in need in Barrowby and surrounds. It is funded by donations; there is no charge for the help unless direct expense is incurred.



All Saints' Church

Sunday 4th June Pentecost

8.00am Holy Communion
9.00am Prayer for Healing
9.30am Morning Praise & Sunday Club

Sunday 11th June Trinity

8.00am Morning Prayer
10.30am Holy Communion & Sunday Club

Sunday 18th June

8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Families Service

Wednesday 21st June

2.00pm Worship tea and cake
Redlands, Low Road

Sunday 25th June

8.00am Morning Prayer
10.30am Morning Prayer & 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

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Barrowby British Legion

Following The Royal British Legion's decision to "de-license" the Club in 2013 – drawn to our attention quite recently – we have been forced to cease using the name Barrowby British Legion Club Ltd. We are no longer allowed to use the poppy as a symbol or to use the name British Legion. As a result the club committee has decide that we will be known as "Barrowby Veterans' Association".

Please note that the Barrowby Branch of the Royal British Legion will continue in name and as an organisation. We will continue to meet on the last Thursday of the month in the Reading Room.

Please note that demolition of the building by the RBL's insurers is expected to take place imminently. We are hoping to stall this event until the beginning of the school holiday as the site will be closed during demolition and will be unavailable for car parking.

Neighbourhood Planning Meeting - 23rd May

The invited guest at this third meeting was Mr Roger Kingscott, from the parish of Hough on the Hill. Roger offered advice on the process, pitfalls and positive outcomes of Neighbourhood Planning, based on his experience within his own parish. His observations were welcomed by the 25 Barrowby residents who attended this meeting. It was unanimously agreed that Barrowby should have a Neighbourhood Plan which takes in the whole of the parish boundary, and that a steering group should be formed to produce a project plan and timetable, to be shared with the village at the earliest opportunity.

Several people put their names forward to be part of the steering group, which will meet within the next two weeks to establish terms of reference and initial tasks. This is an exciting time for Barrowby and its residents, and it's not too late to become involved. We still need to find local people with specific skills to bring to the group, so if there are any architects, solicitors, town planners etc out there who might like to contribute to Barrowby's Neighbourhood Planning, please contact the Parish Clerk at barrowbypc@hotmail.co.uk.

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