

# BARROWBY NEWS

BARROWBY VILLAGE NEWS AND INFORMATION

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## PARISH OPEN MEETING - MONDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> MAY

Record attendance as 12 village groups present at Parish Open Meeting

Chair of the Parish Council, Phil Cupit, welcoming 22 parishioners to the open meeting, outlined the key issues facing Barrowby in the next 12 months, including the potential sale of the RBL site, the Neighbourhood Plan and the impact of up to 400 new homes, an increase of 50%. A consultant has been employed to help with representations to the Planning Inspector as the Council continue to resist development at the proposed scale. The Parish Council also intend to develop a new website.

Presentations came from Barrowby News, and from Grantham Canal, who described their 20-year restoration project, spending £1 million and requiring 7,000 volunteer days so far. The Neighbourhood Plan Group described their focus on the development, outlining the need for a 'Max' Plan, including a 'Design Code' to influence future housing. The Allotments have plans for an Apple and Wassail Day, creating an orchard, and Barrowby Baptists outlined their Monday Cane and Abel mornings with quizzes, talks, popular Summer Strawberry teas and soup lunches. The church explained that there will not be a new vicar for 12 months, and in the interim woodworm-riddled pews are being taken out, giving space for events, and the wildlife churchyard is already a nature haven. Barrowby Open Door clarified the requirements of their film 'umbrella' license. Delighted at the audience sizes, they will be expanding the social side with other organisations. Finally the Sequence Dance Club, football and youth cricket clubs extolled the virtues of their activities for physical health.



## Barrowby Expansion

The Government appointed Planning Inspector has held a number of hearings to examine the soundness of SKDC's new Local Plan. It is this plan that has proposed a massive development on the south east of the village. Barrowby Parish Council, Barrowby Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group and a

number of individuals have made representations to the Inspector, claiming that whilst some housing development is inevitable, the scale of what is being proposed is far beyond what the residents of Barrowby consider to be acceptable. The impact of such a large development on the nature and character of Barrowby would mean that Barrowby becomes a suburb of Grantham rather than maintaining its own distinct village identity. We await the Inspector's findings to see if the proposed development has been reduced in size.

*Chair, Parish Council.*

Editor's note: **Your views DO count.** The Planning Inspector's team reads ALL the comments that residents send in during the consultation period and uses these to inform the questions they are going to ask and the evidence they will look for, so comment in any future consultations **IS** useful and worthwhile.

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## PARISH NEWS

### Barrowby VETS

Barrowby VETS (Volunteer Emergency Telephone System) is now operational. In the case of a medical emergency **first DIAL 999** to summon the emergency services. **Next dial 500180** and you will be contacted by a volunteer helper who will arrive at your house prepared to assist you with anything from making a cup of tea to administering assistance with heart massage. **It is essential that you dial 999 first.** The telephone number for VETS will appear on posters around the village and be distributed via the Barrowby News as well as individual "business cards" in the Village Link. **The Barrowby VETS is meant to be a supplementary service to the 999 service not a replacement for it!**

### It's Best Kept Village time again!

This is the last year in which Barrowby will be judged within the Past Winners Category. Judging is throughout August, but Brian Inglis asks that everyone starts NOW to help keep Barrowby tidy by **trimming hedges and cutting grass**. Please remember that the Wildlife and Countryside Act of 1981 means the destruction of birds' nests and their young is illegal, so hedges can only be lightly trimmed before 31<sup>st</sup> July. We will be marked on: overall appearance (e.g. absence of litter), provision of green spaces (e.g. allotments, The Green etc.), appearance of gardens, condition of churchyards, appearance of Post Office, pub etc. and finally overall community spirit. **And please remember to clear up your dog mess: thank you.**

### Community Payback

Residents may have noticed a group of people wearing pink high-visibility vests undertaking various labour-intensive tasks around the village. They have been carrying out work as part of their community service sentence imposed by the courts. So far, they have undertaken work in the churchyard, The Lowfields and the allotments.

### Parish Council News

Thank you to all the volunteers who came to the litter pick on 12<sup>th</sup> May.

### Vacancy for Parish Councillor

There is a vacancy for Parish Councillor, which will be filled by the co-option process at a meeting of the Parish Council on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2019. If anyone would like to be considered for the vacancy please register your interest to [philip.cupit@uwclub.net](mailto:philip.cupit@uwclub.net) by 31<sup>st</sup> May.

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**07941 752272**

### DIARY DATES

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June:** Barrowby Ukelele Group 7.30 pm White Swan  
**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June:** Barrowby Film, Memorial Hall 3 pm 'Lego Movie 2'  
**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June:** Tunes session, 8 p.m. White Swan  
**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June:** Barrowby Film, Memorial Hall 7.00 pm 'Stan and Ollie'  
**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June:** WI 'Summer Fun' 7.30 pm Memorial Hall  
**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June:** Barrowby Veterans Association 7.30 Reading Room  
 Singers Night, 8 p.m. White Swan  
**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June:** Mobile library 11.30 – 12.00 Wong Gardens

## AROUND THE PARISH

### Double birthday celebrations at Barrowby WI

When Barrowby WI was set up in May 1965, Maisie Culpin was proud to be one of the founders. At the meeting on 15th May, at the Memorial Hall, current members were very pleased to celebrate not only their 54th anniversary, but also Maisie's 90th birthday!

At the same meeting, Lois Fenn, author of four novels, gave a fascinating talk on the WWII bombing of Hull and her evacuation to Sleaford where she was looked after by a school teacher and market gardener. Lois loved being a country girl and returned to Sleaford to school even after the end of the war. She became a teacher and lived in Grantham but now lives in Ruskington.

Although the WI still sing *Jerusalem*, they also have very interesting speakers, demonstrations and discussions.

Recently Barrowby WI voted for National Federation of WI resolutions on local bus services and "Don't fear the smear".

Come along and find out more on the third Wednesday of each month, 7.30 Memorial Hall or phone Anne on 07876 800041.



### Growing Your Own: Plant Sale and Vegetable and Flower Show

Barrowby Allotments held their first Plant Sale on 18<sup>th</sup> May. A great success, many plot holders and village residents came to buy a wide variety of edible and flowering plants, taste homemade cakes from allotment produce and take the opportunity to walk round the site.



The Annual Vegetable and Flower Show will be held at the Memorial Hall on the Saturday of the Scarecrow Festival and the schedule of classes will be in local shops soon. We welcome entries from everyone – you don't have to be an allotment member to show your vegetables, fruit, flowers, jams, pickles and cakes.

### Scarecrow Festival Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August and Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September

The first planning meetings are now taking place for the 2019 Scarecrow Festival (theme 'Famous People in History'). The programme so far is:

**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August:** tombola, second hand book stall with new stock!, Vegetable and Flower Show.

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September:** Table-top sales on The Green, Allotment Produce stall, bookstall, BBQ and Music on The Green.

**Both days:** Made-in-Barrowby and events at the church. Put the dates in your diaries now!



### **All Saints' Church Barrowby Services**

#### **Sunday 2 June**

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

#### **Sunday 9 June Pentecost**

**No service at All Saints'**

9.30 am St Wulfram's. Service of Confirmation

#### **Sunday 16 June**

8.00 am Holy Communion  
9.30 am Families Service

#### **Wednesday 19 June**

2.00 pm Worship, tea and cake at Redlands, Low Road

#### **Sunday 23 June**

10.30 am Morning Prayer and Lunch  
4.00 pm Wilsford Church. Service of Confirmation

#### **Sunday 30 June**

**No service at All Saints'**

11 am Benefice Service at St Sebastian's Great Gonerby

For more information, or if you need a lift to any service, just ask.

Glenys Robertson 07508 241977 or  
Paul West 07879 417566

### **Barrowby Baptist Fellowship**

We meet in the Memorial Hall. All welcome.

**Sundays:** 10.15 Worship and Sunday School

**Mondays:** 10.00 Cane and Abel Coffee Morning

**Fridays:** 6.30 Fantastic Friday Youth Group

Veronica Townsend  
(Church secretary Barrowby Baptist Fellowship)

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### **Ringling for Notre Dame**

On Thursday 18th April Barrowby Bell Ringers tolled the tenor bell to show solidarity with the people in France following the fire in Notre Dame. The bell was tolled at 7pm for 7 minutes as requested by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York.

Anyone who wants to have a go at bell ringing can either turn up at church on Wednesday evening 7.30pm or contact [barrowby@sb.ldgcb.org.uk](mailto:barrowby@sb.ldgcb.org.uk)

### **July dates for Barrowby films**

**Sunday 14th July** Memorial Hall, 3pm 'The Kid Who would be King'

**Tuesday 16th July** Memorial Hall, 7pm. 'Fisherman's Friend'

### **Parish Boundary Project run by GAG**

The Grantham Archaeology Group will be starting to record Barrowby's Parish Boundary in the first week of June, noting features of archaeological interest and understanding why the boundary is where it is.

If you would like to help the Group (no previous experience is needed) please contact Nigel Jones on 07801 905690.

### **Get in Touch**

**Deadlines for forthcoming issues:** 12th June for July issue

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