



BARROWBY NEWS



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GRANTHAM TRUSTEES VOTE FOR A TOWN COUNCIL - IS BARROWBY UNDER THREAT?

At the Parish Council AGM on Monday 9th May, Councillors heard a report from Cllr. Cupit and Cllr. Whittington regarding the Local Governance Review recently completed by 1472 residents of Grantham and district. Despite the low numbers of returns, the Grantham Charter Trustees have taken this survey to have the same weight as a ballot and are proceeding at speed to move forward with a Town Council and a mayoralty for the town.

Worryingly, it became obvious from the Trustees' discussion that a substantial number of them have an agenda to change parish boundaries to ensure that the new developments within neighbouring villages are included in Grantham Town. This will have the effect that the element of the Council Tax which is currently spent exclusively within local parishes will go to Grantham, to be spent on whatever the Grantham Town Council decides – not necessarily on Barrowby!

There would be no Parish Council as the village would be managed by Grantham Town Council. Key elements of village life such as our Best Kept Village, the Reading Room, the Burial Ground, the Lowfields, the Pavilion, the playparks, the Village Green, our flower beds and the mowing undertaken by the Parish Council around the village would all cease as the Parish Assets would be annexed into Grantham and Grantham Town Council.

Barrowby is not alone as Harrowby Without, Harlaxton and Gonerby are also threatened with having their boundaries altered to favour Grantham. Regardless of which side of an unseen boundary a family might live they will still use the facilities of the village concerned. It seems only fair that the villages are allowed to keep the additional precept in order to meet the greater need imposed by the expansion of their villages.

It was notable that Cllr Whittington (a district councillor, Grantham Trustee and resident of Barrowby) remained stoically against any alterations to parish boundaries despite coming under considerable pressure from some of his fellow trustees.

It remains that OUR VILLAGE IDENTITY IS UNDER SERIOUS THREAT.



PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS 2nd - 5th JUNE 2022

Your souvenir booklet with full details of events, dates and times has been delivered with this issue of The Barrowby News.

ANNUAL BARROWBY SCARECROW FESTIVAL SAT 27th/SUN 28th AUGUST

The Annual Barrowby Scarecrow Festival is fast approaching! **Fables and Fantasy** will be the theme! Please put the date in your diary. The Scarecrow committee are happy to receive any tombola items or donations of books for the book stall – please contact Brian on 07793 198948, or drop your items off at Westholme, Low Road.

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PARISH NEWS

PARISH COUNCIL AGM

Barrowby Parish Council met for its Annual Meeting on Monday 9th May. Cllr. Phil Cupit was re-elected as Chairman, and following Cllr. Inglis standing down as Vice Chairman, Cllr. Tim Lees was elected as Vice chairman. The meeting heard a progress report about the preparations of the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations, and the likely date of the end of June when the first occupants of the Low Road development will move into the village.

BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION 2022

SKDC has confirmed that its Best Kept Village Competition will take place again this year, with villages no longer required to formally apply to take part. Judging will be carried out throughout July. Having won the competition three times to date, let's see if Barrowby can win it a fourth time, by continuing to show a community pride in the appearance of our village streets and private gardens.

FRIENDS AGAINST SCAMS

On 4th April as part of the Parish Council's continuing commitment as a Friends Against Scams organisation, Sean Betts, Impact Officer Citizens Advice South Lincolnshire, came to talk to the Cane and Abel Coffee morning. As well as talking in general about scams awareness, Sean shared some of the latest tactics scammers are using to catch out the vulnerable and unwary.

Some recent scams flagged up are:-

- **Council Tax** rebate scam. If you pay by direct debit you will have received or be receiving this automatically. Others will receive a letter from SKDC in the next few months. Never give your bank details over the phone or click an e-mail link.
- **Bogus** Ukrainian Aid charities.
- **Telephone contact** claiming your National Insurance Number has been compromised.
- **Text or emails** claiming you missed a delivery, asking you to click a link and pay money.

Recently there has been a gang of doorstep scammers (Nottingham Knockers) around the village whose intimidating behaviour was reported to the police and they were moved on.

WHAT YOU CAN DO IF YOU THINK YOU HAVE BEEN THE TARGET OF AN ATTEMPTED SCAM

- Report a fraud/attempted fraud to Action Fraud 0300 123 2040 or online www.actionfraud.police.uk
- Get help and advice from Citizens Advice Consumer Service on 0808 223 1133
- To report rogue callers use the Police 101 service. Dial 999 if you feel you are in immediate danger.

ANTIQUES VALUATION - VINTAGE CASH COW Wednesday 25th May

Vintage Cash Cow are holding an Antique Valuation Roadshow. Members of the public can bring their items along and have them valued for free. 10.30am to 4.00pm at the Reading Room.



BARROWBY OPEN DOOR CINEMA

'Singing in the
Rain'

The film of 1952!

Jubilee Bank Holiday Special

Thurs 2nd June: 7.00 p.m. (to finish in time for the events on the Village Green)

Email Charlie housecorner@icloud.com

for a link to book: visit Eventbrite:
or telephone 594803

DIARY DATES

Tues 24th May: 'The Girl From Paris' (French film with English subtitles) Barrowby Open Door 7.00 p.m. Memorial Hall

Wed 25th May: Vintage Cash Cow Antique Valuations. 10.30 - 4.00 p.m. Reading Room

Thurs 2nd June - Sun 5th June: Platinum Jubilee Celebrations - see Souvenir booklet for dates/times

Thurs 2nd June: 'Singing in the Rain' Barrowby Open Door 7.00 p.m. Memorial Hall (prior to Beacon lighting on the Green)

Mon 06th June: Mobile Library 3-3.30 p.m. Wong Gardens

AROUND THE PARISH

BARROWBY CRICKET CLUB HAS RE-FORMED

Barrowby Cricket Club has re-formed and returned to the village for the 2022 season. The wicket is close to the pavilion at Lowfields. There is a senior team playing in the Lincoln and District Sunday League Division 3.



As well as senior opportunities, there is also junior cricket for primary school aged children aged 5-11 years old. All Stars currently has 20 participants aged 5-8 and Dynamos has 10 players aged 8-11. The Junior programme will run for eight weeks every Tuesday evening from 6-7pm beginning on Tuesday 17th May.

Home games are every two weeks and the next fixture is on Sunday 22 May at 1.00 p.m. against Waddington. Spectators and potential future players very welcome!

To contact the club, please email officialbarrowbycricketclub@gmail.com

FOREST SCHOOL SESSIONS RUN BY EXPERIENCED LEVEL 3 FOREST SCHOOL PRACTITIONERS, WITH DBS CHECKS AND OUTDOOR PAEDIATRIC FIRST AID

STAY & PLAY (0-4 YEAR OLDS) - WEDNESDAYS 1:30-2:30PM
AFTER SCHOOL CLUB (5-11 YEAR OLDS) - WEDNESDAYS 3:15-5:15
OR 5:45PM WITH CAMPFIRE DINNER
FOREST SCHOOL PARTIES (TAILOR-MADE FOR ALL AGES)

HERE ARE SOME OF THE EXCITING THINGS ON OFFER:

- NATURE CRAFTS
- BEEKEEPING
- STORYTELLING
- CAMPFIRE COOKING
- TOOLS AND FIRE LIGHTING
- TREE HOUSE BUILDING
- SWINGS, MUD KITCHEN & HAMMOCKS
- FREE PLAY
- AND SO MUCH MORE!

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BARROWBY FOOTBALL CLUB NEWS

Barrowby Football Club is approaching the end of another busy season. It is the first year for some time that the club has been largely unaffected by Covid and restrictions, which has made for a successful season.

The club planned a fun-filled day on Saturday 14th May for the end of season celebrations, involving team photos and trophies, and fun-filled activities for the children.

Next season's under 6 and under 16 teams are actively looking for new players. If you know anyone who will be in school year 1 (primary), or years 10 or 11 (secondary) in September and who might want to get involved then please email barrowbysec@gmail.com for more information.

During the off season the work to improve the pitches will continue, and the club hopes to improve the general facilities available to both parents and children.

W.I.NEWS

The Barrowby W.I. meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, 7.30 p.m. in the Memorial Hall. New visitors always welcome. To contact W.I. please email barrowbywi@gmail.com

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ALL SAINTS' CHURCH BARROWBY SERVICES

8.30am

1st Sunday Holy Communion

2nd Sunday Morning Prayer

10.00am

1st Sunday Morning Prayer

2nd Sunday Holy Communion

3rd Sunday Families Service

4th Sunday Morning Praise

Children's and Young people's groups

Term time only

Every Sunday apart from the 3rd Sunday:-

Creche, and **Sunday club** for Primary aged children

ARMY club, **1st Sunday** – young people aged year 7 and above.

More information on All Saints' Facebook page or email allsaintsbarrowby@gmail.com

BELL RINGERS

Barrowby Bell Ringers are pleased to confirm that they are back in the tower ringing the church bells again, albeit with masks on and the windows open. They are currently teaching three learners, all under 14, with three more ringers (two under 13) waiting to join the ringers when teaching time allows.

Barrowby Bell Ringers are still looking for more ringers as some have sadly not come back after the pandemic.

If you want to join the waiting list to learn, please email barrowby@sb.ldgcb.org.uk

BARROWBY BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP

Sunday Worship and Sunday School - 10.15am.

Meeting in the Memorial hall. All welcome.

Fantastic Friday Club

We continue to meet on Friday evenings at the Memorial Hall, through the summer term.

7 to 11 year olds - 6.30pm to 7.45pm

11+ years - 8pm to 9.15pm

To find out more contact

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Get in Touch

Deadlines for forthcoming issues: 13 June for July 2022 issue **Email your news items and events to us at:** news@barrowby.org.uk **Call us on** 07793 198948

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