



BARROWBY NEWS



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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR, FROM ALL AT THE BARROWBY NEWS TEAM

THE BARROWBY CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Saturday 22nd November
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

THE MEMORIAL HALL - THE READING ROOM - ALL SAINTS' CHURCH - THE WHITE SWAN CAR PARK

Find unique Christmas gifts and more, right on your doorstep. Enjoy delicious handmade cakes and treats, warm up with a festive hot chocolate, and enjoy the array of independent local sellers and food and drink merchants, brought together for our village event.

The charity raffle and tombola at the church will this year be raising funds for Grantham Food Bank. Barrowby School Choir will be performing at the Reading Room and the Memorial Hall.

You could be the winner of a luxury Christmas hamper by entering the Barrowby News raffle! Come and find us in The Reading Room. By entering you will be supporting your monthly independent village newsletter.

PLEASE COME ALONG AND SUPPORT THIS GREAT COMMUNITY EVENT

BARROWBY OPEN DOOR - UPCOMING EVENTS ALL AT THE MEMORIAL HALL

Open Door Screenings: Tuesday Films at 7pm

November 25th: Notorious 1946 (U) Cary Grant, Ingrid Bergman in a superb 4K restoration of the Hitchcock classic £3pp

December 9th: Cinema Paradiso (U12) Young Salvatore escapes his war-torn Sicilian village in the movie house, where projectionist Alfredo instils in the boy a deep love of films. £3pp An Italian Food and Culture Evening!

NATIONAL THEATRE LIVE: all at 2:30 pm Sunday (£10)

November 30th: The Fifth Step – Jack Lowden, Martin Freeman

January 25th: Hamlet with H Abeysekere

Saturday 20th December

2 - 3.30 pm Children's craft and film for preschool and early primary and their siblings. A free Christmas event for the children, supported by Barrowby Parish Council. Children must be accompanied by an adult. 4 - 5.30 pm Carols and Cake to Charlies Ant, supporting Grantham Food Bank. Refreshments available. Suggested £10 donation on door.

Hootenanny Christmas Ceilidh

Saturday 27th December 7-10.30 p.m.

Join us for fun and dancing at our charity ceilidh for Cardiac Risk in the Young Charity. Live music to Charlies Ant Ceilidh Band and calling of the dances!

We hope you are able to join us. You are welcome to bring your own drinks and glasses. Tea and coffee served at the break. This is a free event. Raffle prize donations welcome on the night.

To book any event search EVENTBRITE Barrowby and the event title Or contact Charlie on 01476 594803 or housecorner@icloud.com

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MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM BARROWBY PARISH COUNCIL

As we come to the end of another busy year, Barrowby Parish Council would like to thank everyone who has contributed to village life in 2025.

This year saw strong community engagement, particularly around planning and development issues. The recent Parish Poll gave a clear mandate for the Council to oppose major development within the parish, and we will do all we can in the year ahead to honour that message and protect the character of our village.

Amid the challenges, there has been much to celebrate. The Scarecrow Festival once again brought colour and laughter to our streets; Barrowby Flowers has filled the village with beautiful displays; and the RAGS volunteers have been busy building bug hotels and bird boxes to support our local wildlife – a real testament to Barrowby's community spirit. We also welcomed new councillors, a new Parish Clerk and a new RFO (Responsible Finance Officer) this year. We extend our thanks to Julie Moss for her four years of dedicated service as Clerk, and to all our staff and volunteers who keep the village tidy and running smoothly.

From everyone at Barrowby Parish Council, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a happy, peaceful New Year. Together we will continue to work hard for our village in 2026.

Nigel Eaton, Chair of Barrowby Parish Council.

BARROWBY ACTION GROUP - NOVEMBER UPDATE

It has been a busy few weeks for BAG, and the group wanted to share what has been happening.

We started with the Parish Poll, where an incredible **40.67%** of residents turned out – and an overwhelming **97.5%** voted that enough is enough, calling on the Parish Council to oppose all major development in the parish. Thank you for your fantastic support and for recognising how important this issue is for our community.

The very next day, BAG and the Parish Council were in the planning chambers defending the TPO-protected trees and the bats that live within them. We were successful in halting all work on the trees until an independent survey could be carried out, and we secured a reduction in the proposed works to minimise stress and potential damage. We have also followed up with SKDC to confirm that a replacement TPO tree will be planted by 31 December.

Next came the Environmental Assessment deadline. Once again, Barrowby residents spoke up clearly and eloquently to SKDC, explaining why our countryside matters – and why we are prepared to stand together to protect it.

Following the poll, we have met with the Parish Council to discuss how we can work collaboratively to safeguard Barrowby's character and landscape. Together, we have also met with Objection Officers to understand the next stages in the process. We now expect the planning application to come forward soon, so we are continuing to prepare, research and strengthen our case.

However, engaging professional planning and environmental consultants to defend the village is costly, and we are now fundraising to help cover these essential expenses. If you would like to support BAG's work, donations can be made via our GoFundMe page (<https://www.gofundme.com/f/barrowby-action-group-stop-major-development>) (please note that fees apply), or directly with no fees through our HyperJar account:

Sort code: 04-00-85 Account number: 06885241 Name: Lyndsay Sadler.

Finally, a huge thank you once again for your continued support. It is inspiring to see how our community has come together to defend our countryside and preserve the character of our rural village.



CHARITY RUN FOR CHILDREN WITH CANCER UK

Readers may remember that in 2024 Barrowby resident Nathan Taylor ran the London Marathon for this special charity. And in 2026 he is set to do it again!

Nathan's training is well underway, and he hopes to put in an even better time and that residents will engage with his effort to raise funds for this very special cause. Any donation, big or small, will go a long way to help.

You can donate by visiting the QR code above, or by visiting this link:

https://2026tclondonmarathon.enthuse.com/pf/nathantaylor-2026londonmarathon?utm_campaign=website&utm_medium=email&utm_source=enthuse#qrCode

We will keep readers up to date with Nathan's progress.



DIARY DATES - DECEMBER 2025

Sat 22 Nov: Christmas Fayre 10 - 3 pm Memorial Hall, Reading Room and All Saints' Church

Tues 25 Nov: 'Notorious' Open Door 7 pm £3

Sun 30 Nov: 'The Fifth Step' NT Live Open Door 2:30 pm £10

Tues 9 Dec: 'Cinema Paradiso' Open Door 7 pm £3

Mon 15 Dec: Mobile Library 3 - 3:30 pm Co-op car park Low Road

Sat 20 Dec: Children's craft and film, pre-school and early years 2-3.30 pm Memorial Hall. Children must be accompanied by adults. Free event.

Sat 20 Dec: Carols and Cake to Charlie's Aunt 4 - 5:30 pm Memorial Hall £10 donation for Grantham Food Bank. Refreshments available

Sun 21 Dec: Carols by Candlelight 6 for 6:30 pm. All Saints' Church Barrowby

Sat 27 Dec: Hootenanny Charity Ceilidh 7 - 10:30 pm Memorial Hall. All dances called. Bring refreshments. Free, donations and raffle in aid of Cardiac Risk in the Young



Poppies at the Reading Room



Barrowby Beavers, Cubs and Scouts at the Remembrance Service



BARROWBY PRESCHOOL GET MESSY!

Before half term, Barrowby Preschool embraced the Halloween spirit with messy play activities. The children explored different textures—hunting for spiders in cornflour gloop, washing pumpkins, and creating explosive pumpkins. Preschool still have spaces for children from the age of 2-4, so if you are looking for a friendly home from home preschool then why not pop along and visit them.

Call on 07415 450311

Email: barrowbypreschool@yahoo.co.uk

Visit: www.barrowbypreschool.uk

GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION:

TIPS FOR DECEMBER



In December, there is not a lot of activity in the garden or on the plot, other than

- keep weeds down
- check on stored dahlias and gladioli
- generally tidy up greenhouses and sheds
- take the time to clean and overhaul lawnmowers and garden tools.



GRANTHAM DISTRICT SCOUTS CHRISTMAS POST 2025

Have your local cards delivered by Grantham Scouts this Christmas!

Stamps are **35p** for standard sized cards, and **70p** for larger cards and calendars.

Stamps will be on sale from **Monday 17th November** until **Wednesday 10th December** (morning) at the locations listed below.

Collection will be between **Wednesday 3rd December** and **Wednesday 10th December** (midday):

Cards dropped off after midday on 10th December will not be accepted for delivery.

DELIVERY WILL BE TO THE FOLLOWING AREAS AND VILLAGES ONLY:

ALL GRANTHAM NG31 POSTCODE AREAS: AND TO THE VILLAGES OF

BARROWBY: GREAT GONERBY: HARLAXTON: ALLINGTON: SEDGEBOOK: COLSTERWORTH: SKILLINGTON

From Monday 17th November Scout Stamps will be on sale at the following outlets, where cards can also be 'posted' in special posting boxes ready for collection.

- Grantham Carpets, 170 Winchester Road
- The Melton Building Society, 43 High Street
- Grantham Library, Isaac Newton Centre
- John Beaty Motors, Castlegate
- Union Street Gallery Hub, Union Street
- Manthorpe Convenience Store, Rushcliffe Road
- Gonerby Club, High Street, Great Gonerby
- Colsterworth Co-op, Bridge End, Colsterworth
- ◆ **39 Low Road, Barrowby** - STAMP SALES ONLY, not posting or collection
- ◆ **Lincolnshire Co-op, Low Road Barrowby**: Posting and collection only

The donations received from the scout post will go towards young people gaining **#Skillsforlife**





BARROWBY BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP

Barrowby Memorial Hall

Sunday 10:15 a.m. – Worship Service and Sunday School
Contact: *Paul* – 07936 504556

Cane and Able

Monday 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Join us for coffee, cake, chat and activities. A friendly, social group for the over 60s.

Wednesday 12 - 1:30 p.m. (Once a month)
Soup lunch.
Contact: Jenny - 07773 185620

Fantastic Friday Club

5.30 p.m. - 8.45 p.m. (Years 4 -
Entry £1.00
Contact: Chris - 07861 166434

Fantastic Friday Club

5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. (Years 4 - 7)
Entry £1.00

Contact: Chris - 07861 166434

Get in Touch

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DID YOU KNOW?.....

Hurst Crescent is named after Dr Thomas Hurst, who lived from 1598-1672 and became Vicar of Barrowby in 1629. A staunch Royalist during the Civil War, he became Chaplain to King Charles 1 and was imprisoned and ejected from being Vicar. He did not return to Barrowby after the Restoration of the Monarchy in 1660, but moved to Grantham and became a friend of Isaac Newton.

