

BARROWBY NEWS

BARROWBY VILLAGE NEWS AND INFORMATION

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NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN CONSULTATION NOW OPEN! CLOSING DATE FOR COMMENT - FRIDAY 13 MARCH 2026

South Kesteven District Council (SKDC) has opened the formal public consultation (Regulation 16) on the **Barrowby Neighbourhood Plan**. The Neighbourhood Plan has been produced by the Barrowby Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, working with residents, businesses, landowners and other stakeholders. It covers the whole of Barrowby Parish and aims to help guide future development in the parish up to 2040, setting out a vision, objectives and a set of planning policies.

CONSULTATION DATES AND DEADLINE

The public consultation runs from **Thursday 29 January to Friday 13 March 2026**.
Closing time: 11:59pm on 13 March 2026

HOW TO VIEW THE DOCUMENTS

All consultation documents can be viewed online on SKDC's website, including the Submission Plan and supporting statements and assessments:

SKDC consultation page (documents):

<https://www.southkesteven.gov.uk/planning-building-control/planning-policy-local-plans/barrowby>

Hard copies of the Submission Plan can also be viewed at:

SKDC Council Offices, The Picture House, St Catherine's Road, Grantham, NG31 6TT
Monday to Friday 9am-3pm

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR COMMENTS

SKDC will accept representations in three ways:

- **Online (preferred):** Consultation Portal
<https://southkesteven.oc2.uk/document/25>
- **Email:** planningpolicy@southkesteven.gov.uk
- **Post:** Planning Policy Team, South Kesteven District Council Offices,
The Picture House, St Catherine's Road, Grantham, NG31 6TT

IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT PUBLISHING COMMENTS

SKDC advises that responses (including the **name of the author**) will be made available for public inspection and to third parties and cannot be treated as confidential. SKDC also states that personal information such as telephone numbers, email addresses and private addresses will not be published.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

After the consultation closes, SKDC will appoint an independent examiner to review the Plan. All comments received during this consultation will be forwarded to the examiner along with the Neighbourhood Plan and supporting documents. The examiner will then issue a report with recommendations, and SKDC will decide whether the Plan should proceed to a local referendum (with or without modifications). If a referendum takes place and more than 50% of those voting support the Plan, SKDC must adopt the Neighbourhood Plan.

HAVE YOUR SAY

This is an important stage in the process and a key opportunity for residents and businesses to comment on the submitted Plan before it is examined.

PLEASE SUBMIT ANY COMMENTS BY 11:59 P.M. ON FRIDAY 13 MARCH 2026.

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL BARROWBY BURNS SUPPER - SATURDAY 7TH FEBRUARY

The night started with Bill James piping in the Haggis. Rev Sarah Tierney delivered the Selkirk Grace with extension to bless the whisky. And there were lots of jolly faces with haggis, neeps, tatties, whisky, and cake, the skills of Grantham School of Dance to admire, the inspiration of Simon Brodie's Immortal Memory, the humour of Ian Fisher's lost fragment, the wit of Simon Aston's toast to the Lassies and Louise and Shelley's joint reply. To finish the evening in style Charlies Ant played for the ceilidh and closed the night with Auld Lang Syne.

Thankyou to the generosity of cooks, bakers, helpers and all who came for the jolly faces. A magnificent **£675** was raised for the Grantham Food Bank.



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BARROWBY STREET TREES INITIATIVE

BARROWBY OPEN DOOR AND RAGS TEAM UP TO SUPPORT BARROWBY STREET TREES

The Parish Council would like to extend a big thank you to two of Barrowby's volunteer groups for their brilliant collaborative work on this community project.

Barrowby Open Door is a not-for-profit community engagement project running events and film/theatre screenings, with refreshments, to encourage conversation and social connection. Barrowby Open Door recently hosted a special showing of a new David Attenborough film, *'Ocean'*. The proceeds from the evening - **£270.40** - have been donated to RAGS (the Parish Council's Recreation and Green Space Working Group) to support their street tree initiative.

STREET TREE PLANTING - SUNDAY 29 MARCH 2026

RAGS volunteers will be planting **dwarf Australian Snow Gum** trees (*Eucalyptus pauciflora*) on **Sunday 29 March 2026**, overseen and supported by Lincolnshire County Council who are providing items such as tree guards, supports and bark. Trees will be planted across several village locations, including:

- **Hedgefield Road**
- **Leys Close**
- **Westry Close**
- **Thorold Road**
- **Low Road**
- **Casthorpe Road**

ECHO TREE FOREST SCHOOL MEET-UP - Sunday 29 March 10:00 am on Church Street, opposite All Saints' Church

The community is invited to meet at Echo Tree Forest School at 10:00 am to write positive climate wishes using natural inks made from oak, walnut and logwood, which will be planted under the new trees.

If families come on bikes, we will then do a tree tour to visit the new planting sites around the village.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

This planting session is not planned as a wider community event on this occasion, due to the limited number of trees and equipment. However, RAGS are planning future community opportunities, including planting of the orchard - so please keep an eye out for further information about this event.

GET INVOLVED

Both groups welcome new volunteers.

Watch the **Barrowby Parish Council Facebook page** and website: barrowby.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk for updates on RAGS, and look out in this issue for Open Door's upcoming events.

BARROWBY ACTION GROUP UPDATE: A HUGE THANK YOU FOR YOUR VOICES

On behalf of the team, we would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone in Barrowby for your incredible support over the past few weeks in objecting to the planning application for the land west of Grange Paddock. We have seen a truly remarkable response from the village, with engagement levels that highlight just how much we all care about the future of our home and environment.

Having well over 500 objections submitted and so many detailed responses is a fantastic result for our community.

It ensures that the views of Barrowby residents are front and centre as we move forward.

NEXT STEPS: Transport, Heritage, Cadent gas and Anglian Foul Water objection

The developer now has to respond to the objections and requests for more information from some of the statutory consultees. Barrowby Action Group and the Parish Council will be meeting with SKDC on Thursday 12th February to discuss the application and the next steps. We will share any further information with the village as soon as it is confirmed.

WHAT HAPPENS NOW?

Because of this ongoing technical work, the SKDC site/portal will remain open for the time being. **APPLICATION S25/2471**

<https://www.southkesteven.gov.uk/planning-building-control/planning-development-management/search-planning-applications>

If you have anything further to add to your objection you still can!



MOBILE LIBRARY CHANGE

Please note that the Mobile Library time of visit has now changed from 3 p.m. to a new time of **2 - 3 pm**, still at the car park at the Co-op on Low Road. The mobile library will still visit on every 4th Monday.

DIARY DATES - MARCH 2026

Mon 9 March: Mobile Library 2 - 3 pm Co-op car park Low Road

Tues 10 March: *'Thursday Murder Club'* Open Door 7:00 pm Memorial Hall free entry (Netflix film)

Fri 13 March: Closing date for submission of comments on Neighbourhood Plan

Sun 22 March: *'AUDIENCE - Mirren as Queen'* NT Live 2:30 pm £10 Open Door Memorial Hall

Sun 29 March: Street Tree Planting: Meet-up 10 am Echo Tree Forest School

Tues 14 April: *'The Choral'* Open Door 7:00 pm Memorial Hall £5

BARROWBY PRESCHOOL

Barrowby Preschool have been busy creating a Butterfly for a local group to help support mental health and showing kindness to others. The group is called Evelyn's Butterfly Effect.

The children had lots of fun helping to decorate the butterfly using bright colours.

Spaces for age 2+ are still available, funded and non-funded. Hours are Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Term time. Barrowby Sports Pavilion, Lowfields, NG32 1DJ

Tel: 07415 450 311

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BarrowbyPreschool/>

Website: <https://barrowbypreschool.uk>



GRANTHAM CANAL SOCIETY - EVENTS NEWS



Our boating season starts on Mother's Day (Sunday 15th March), so check out our new website to discover the dates of our pre-bookable short trips. Or you could treat yourself to a longer cruise, maybe in conjunction with food from The Duck.

Our Spring Open Day at the Woolsthorpe Depot is booked for Sunday 26th April 2026.

In addition to the ever popular home made cakes, there will be a barbecue, a blacksmith demonstration, and lots of craft stalls. Keep a look out on social media for more details as they arise. The Three Shires trip boat will be operating from the Depot, and tickets will be available on the day. This is always in great demand, so turn up early to guarantee your place!

Don't forget, we are always on the lookout for new members and/or volunteers – there is truly a plethora of different roles available – and you would be warmly welcomed.

Visit the website www.granthamcanal.org for more information.

WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN BEING A SCHOOL GOVERNOR?

Barrowby Church of England Primary School is currently advertising for Co-opted and Foundation governors (non-parent posts). These are opportunities for new governors who can bring fresh perspectives from the wider community, or who have links with or knowledge of the Diocese of Lincoln, and can strengthen the school's connection with the Diocese.

If you feel that your experience, perspective or community connection could enrich the governing body then the school would love to hear from you.

Please contact the school by email enquiries@barrowby.lincs.sch.uk or telephone 01476 566121 to arrange an informal chat.

GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION: TIPS FOR MARCH

On the plot:

- Dig trenches for potatoes and runner beans and fill with garden compost or manure.
- Plant out new potatoes and onion sets.
- Sow lettuce, radish, and salad onions.
- Sow beetroot, carrots, turnip, and kohlrabi.
- In the greenhouse, sow tomatoes, peppers, aubergines and basil at a temperature of 18 °C.
- Plant blackcurrants, raspberries, and strawberries. Do not allow them to bear fruit in the first year.



In the garden:

- Lawns: aerate and rake to remove dead grass and moss.
- Plant hardy perennials.
- Deadhead daffodils and other bulbs that have finished flowering.
- Prepare containers for spring planting by cleaning them with disinfectant.
- Start tuberous begonias.

SPOTLIGHT ON BARROWBY MEMORIAL HALL.... # 2

Over the years it has been necessary to add strengthening bars to the interior of the Hall, as the roof was too heavy for the original trusses, causing the walls to bulge slightly.

At a later date another, lighter new roof was put on. This has, up to date, prevented further problems. During the ensuing years the Hall's use also expanded to include Yoga, Martial Arts, Slimming World, Films, Bridge Club, Tea Dances and Table Tennis, while also continuing to provide a venue for Religious Worship, parties, meetings etc.



The Memorial Hall needs people to handle bookings, finances and to carry out trustee duties.

The committee meet regularly throughout the year to discuss all aspects connected to the management of the hall.

We need your help!

Come along to the Annual General Meeting in April to learn more. Date of AGM in next month's issue.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH BARROWBY SERVICES

Sunday 1st March
 8:30 am Morning Prayer - BCP
 10:00 am Morning Praise

Sunday 8th March
 10:00 am Holy Communion

Sunday 15th March
 8:30 am Holy Communion BCP
 10:00 am Family Service

Sunday 22nd March
 10:00 am Morning Prayer

Sunday 29th March
 10:00 am Palm Sunday Service

**Children's and Young people's groups :
 Term time only**

Every Sunday apart from the 3rd Sunday:-
Creche, and **Sunday club** for School aged youngsters.

More information on All Saints' Facebook page
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CHARITY RUN FOR CHILDREN WITH CANCER UK

Barrowby resident Nathan Taylor is now in serious training for his London Marathon run, in support of this special charity. The London Marathon will take place on Sunday April 26th 2026.

Please visit the QR code for information and to donate. Thankyou.

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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. Soup lunch. (Last Wednesday of the month)
 Contact: Jenny - 07773 185620

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 Call us on 07764 204017.

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