

BARBY & ONLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF

Meeting of the Parish Council

Held on.....WEDNESDAY 15 APRIL 2026 at 7.30pm

Barby Village Hall, Kilsby Road, Barby CV23 8TT
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PRESENT: Councillors - F Gorman (Chair), S Withington (Vice-Chair), C Benton, D Cotton, N Gove, T Hallam, B O'Reilly and P Wagg.

IN ATTENDANCE: Sarah Smith (Locum Clerk), WNC Ward Councillor Rosie Humphreys and one member of the public.

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1	Apologies: To receive and approve apologies for absence
1.1	West Northamptonshire Council Ward Councillors Andrew Simpson had given apologies.
2 To fill vacancies by co-option (3 vacancies)	
2.1	No applications had been received.
3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND REPORTS	
3.1	To hear any issues which members of the public wish to bring to the Council's attention: A member of the public spoke about the fake notice regarding 'Anglian Water' seen on a telegraph pole. It was noted the same notice was seen at the water tower and was deemed to be unofficial and to be ignored.
3.2	To receive reports either written or verbal from West Northamptonshire Councillors: A written report had been circulated and uploaded to the Parish Council website. Cllr Humphreys reported that new material has been submitted to the planning department by the applicants of Barby Gun Club and will be reviewed in due course.
4 DECLARATIONS of INTERESTS	
4.1	To note any Declarations of any Disclosable Pecuniary or Other Interests: None.
5 MINUTES	
5.1	To approve and sign the Minutes of 9th March 26 (A): It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of 9 th March 2026 which were duly signed by the Chair.
6 MATTERS ARISING from Minutes (For information only)	
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Cllr Benton reported that the parts for the Onley Village Hall parking sign had been ordered and that he was waiting for delivery. ii. Cllr Gorman confirmed she had contacted Highways again regarding when they will be starting work to resolve the water leak in Church Walk. Highways confirmed this should be within the next month but they also reiterated that they could send an enforcement notice to the landowner of the play area where water coming from. iii. Cllr Gorman reported that the Parish Council were still awaiting the design for the speed calming measures in Daventry Road, Barby. Monies for this project were to

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6.1	<p>To note any matters which the Parish Council need to be made aware of, not otherwise on Agenda (no decisions can be made).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The Ministry of Justice have confirmed that they are checking to see if there are operational reasons for maintaining the gate next to the playground in Onley following the Parish Council's request that it is replaced with a fence panel. ii. A Parishioner requested that the Parish Council hosts a concert by the Northampton Male Voice Choir's, Charity Choir in aid of Prostate Council in Barby Village Hall. iii. The Parish Council received a request from the Vicar to hold the Village Fete on the playing field in Barby on Saturday 18th July, iv. Cllr Wagg reported that the Barby garage insurance claim was progressing. v. Cllr Gove reported that he had been contacted by a resident regarding an enforcement notice that they had received from WNC. The resident will be referred to Cllr Rosie Humphries who offered to assist.
7	PLANNING:
7.1	<u>New Applications/ Applications to be discussed</u>
7.1.1	<u>2026/1124/FULL</u> - Remodelling of existing property to include a Single storey Extension & terrace to SW (Rear Elevation), Two storey extension to replace Single Storey Garage extension to NE (Front Elevation). Single Storey extension to replace existing Conservatory to NW (Side Elevation). Roof replaced, Chimneys introduced. New Insulation and cladding to Facade and

7.1.1	and Porous Tarmac (permeable) to parking area: Willow Edge, Welton Road, Barby, CV23 8TG. It was RESOLVED that there was no objection to this application.
7.1.2	2026/1159/FULL - Erection of an agricultural building and installation of a concrete apron, Ashtree Farm Kilsby Road Barby CV23 8TU. It was RESOLVED to object on the following reasons - i. Contrary to Settlements and Countryside Local Plan (Part 2) For Daventry District 2011 – 2029, Policy R6 states that development in the open countryside outside the confines of villages will be supported if there is a justifiable agricultural need. As this is no longer a working farm but a construction training centre this cannot be the case ii. The Developer’s Planning Support Document quotes BOPC’s old NDP policy that no longer exists with no reference to our NDP plan made in 2025 – all developments must reference this new plan. iii. The development is contrary to Policy ENV 8 of our NDP - landscape character as it will be an ‘unacceptable visual intrusion’ within the of ‘Broad unwooded Vales’ landscape Policy ENV 9 of our NDP – impact important view 9 across the Rainsbrook Valley
7.1.3	2026/1314/FULL - Demolition of rear conservatory, single storey rear extension, removal of flat roof, porch and construction of lean-to front extension to the with associated internal works. 12 Manor Farm Close Barby CV23 8FA. It was RESOLVED that there was no objection to this application.
7.2	<u>Planning Applications to be noted on which the Parish Council is not a consultee</u>
7.2.1	2026/0982/COND Discharge of condition 18 of approved 2024/0993/FULL. [Demolition of existing dwellinghouse and ancillary buildings. Construction of 2 x 4-bed dwellinghouses, 1 x 4-bed bungalow, 1 x 3-bed bungalow and vehicular access improvements.] Toft Hill 19 Rugby Road Barby CV23 8UB
	The above were noted .
7.3	<u>Planning Applications awaiting decision by West Northamptonshire Council -Daventry or Planning Inspectorate</u>
7.3.1	2026/0410/FULL : External repairs and improvements to cottage and later extensions including replacement entrance porch, rebuilding brick stacks and gable parapets, renewing timber windows, re-roofing east wing, repairs to structural cracks and re-pointing stonework: The Old Stone Cottage 23 Daventry Road Barby CV23 8TP
7.3.2	2026/0412/LBC : Listed Building Consent External repairs and improvements to cottage and later extensions including replacement entrance porch, rebuilding brick stacks and gable parapets, renewing timber windows, re-roofing east wing, repairs to structural cracks and re-pointing stonework: The Old Stone Cottage 23 Daventry Road Barby CV23 8TP
7.3.3	2023/5783/MAF : Proposed demolition of existing agricultural building, creation of additional earth bunds and associated green infrastructure, widening of existing vehicular access and provision of temporary vehicular access during construction period off Barby Lane: Cadman Sporting Barby Lane Barby West Northamptonshire CV23 8UX.
7.3.4	WND/2021/0767 Barby Sporting Club, Barby Lane, Barby: Proposed extensions to and remodelling of the existing clubhouse; additional car parking to the north of the clubhouse; demolition of existing agricultural building and construction of additional earth bunds to the east of the existing bunds with associated landscaping and other ancillary works including shooting shelters and 4.5m high towers. Shooting operations Monday, 0900-1800hrs, Tues, Thurs and Sat 0900 – 1800 hrs; Wednesday and Friday 0900-2100hrs; and no Suns.
7.3.5	Grand Union Canal Transfer – Planning Inspectorate Consultation pre-application stage:

7.3.5	https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/WA0210001 February 2026 update: The applicant's notification under section 46 of the Planning Act 2008 and regulation 8 of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 has been received and an acknowledgement letter has been issued.
7.3.6	2025/3081/COND : Discharge of Conditions 3 [Archaeology], 4 [Materials] and 5 [Staircase] on Planning Permission 2024/3116/FULL and Listed Building Consent 2024/0221/LBC [The full refurbishment of Barby Wood Farmhouse and the conversion and subsequent incorporation of the connecting brick and stone outbuildings to form a single dwelling and the proposed partial demolition of the modern outbuildings]: Barby Wood Farm Onley Lane Barby CV23 8UT
7.3.7	2025/3659/LBC 24 Kilsby Road Barby CV23 8TT: Listed building consent to demolition an existing glazed timber structure to the rear elevation. The erection of a proposed dark grey coloured aluminium framework glazed structure to the rear elevation. Removal and replacement of 1no timber window to the rear elevation on the existing side addition.
7.3.8	2025/3658/FULL 24 Kilsby Road Barby CV23 8TT: Demolition of an existing glazed timber structure to the rear elevation. The erection of a proposed dark grey coloured aluminium framework glazed structure to the rear elevation. Removal and replacement of 1no timber window to the rear elevation on the existing side addition.
7.3.9	2025/4756/FULL : Construction of Two Detached 2-Bedroom Bungalows and Pair of 3 Bedroom Semi-Detached Dwellings and Associated Works Including Landscaping: Land at School Close, Barby, CV23 8TA
7.3.10	2026/0062/COND : Discharge of Conditions 6 (Floor Material), 7 (Window and Door Detail), 8 (Roof and Floor Structures) and 9 (Installation of Services) of Planning Permission 2024/3116/FULL (The full refurbishment of Barby Wood Farmhouse and the conversion and subsequent incorporation of the connecting brick and stone outbuildings to form a single dwelling and the proposed partial demolition of the modern outbuildings at Barby Wood Farm House, Onley Lane, Barby CV23 8UT): Barby Wood Farm Onley Lane Barby CV23 8UT
	The above were noted .
7.4	<u>Planning Decisions made by West Northamptonshire Council -Daventry or Planning Inspectorate</u>
7.4.1	2026/0451/NMA : Non-Material Amendment to lower roof at kitchen section of the proposed building to 2025/3574/FULL (Demolition of existing buildings and construction of 3-bedroom single storey dwellinghouse): Little Farm 38A Kilsby Road Barby CV23 8TU APPROVED
7.4.2	2026/0083/PA : Determination as to whether prior approval is required (under Schedule 2, Part 16, Class A of the above Order) for installation of radio equipment housing and ancillary development: National Grid Electricity Distribution and National Grid Telecoms Longdown Lane Barby CV23 8TE APPROVED
7.4.3	2026/0300/COND : Discharge of Condition 3 (Tree Protection), 4 (External Materials) and 5 (Front Retaining Wall) of Planning Permission WND/2021/0923 (Reserved matters application (appearance, landscaping and scale) for construction of dwelling - access from Almond Close): Land To Rear Of 31 Kilsby Road, Barby, Northamptonshire CV23 8TU APPROVED
7.4.4	2026/0451/NMA : Non-Material Amendment to lower roof at kitchen section of the proposed building to 2025/3574/FULL (Demolition of existing buildings and construction of 3-bedroom single storey dwellinghouse): Little Farm 38A Kilsby Road Barby CV23 8TU APPROVED
	The above decisions were noted .
8	ACCOUNTS
8.1	i. Monies received from 01.03.26 TO 31.03.26: a. £45.00 – Cricket Club Contribution re Trees b. £551.59 – Credit Interest Unity Trust Saving Account Noted

8.2	<p>i. To note Financial Position as at 31.03.26: £ 203,123.67: Noted.</p> <p>ii. To approve Bank Reconciliation to 31 March 2026 (B): It was RESOLVED to approve the Bank Reconciliation up to 31st March 2026.</p> <p>iii. To note Onley Open Space fund balance as at 31.03.26: £ 72,247.43: A payment made to J Edgar to cut back overgrowth at Onley Park was missing - £200. New amount - £ 72,047.43 Noted. Balance to be adjusted.</p> <p>iv. To note Onley Open Space Bank Reconciliation (C): Noted with £200 adjustment. Report to be re-issued.</p>
8.3	<p>To note budget monitoring reports (Da & Db): Noted.</p> <p>To note 12 Month summary of Parish Council expenditure 2025/26: Noted.</p>
8.4	To approve the payments as listed: It was RESOLVED to approve the following payments:

To Whom Paid	Details of Payment	NET COST	VAT	TOTAL
DCK Payroll Solutions	Payroll services – Inv 26936	15.00	3.00	18.00
Katrina Jones	Clerks Salary – April	1249.26	0.00	1249.26
S Smith	Locum salary – April	721.60	0.00	721.60
HMRC	Tax and National Insurance	785.92	0.00	785.92
NEST Pension	Pension contribution (employee and employer) April	167.54	0.00	167.54
Yu Energy	Electricity for streetlights – March	84.16	4.21	88.37
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Zarr Ltd	Email Security Licence for bopc.org.uk- per mailbox covering 1 month period up to May 2026	17.60	3.52	21.12
Zarr Ltd	Email Security Licence for bopc.org.uk- per mailbox covering 1 month period up to June 2026	17.60	3.52	21.12
K Corry	Litter picking	60.00	0.00	60.00
Fosse Data Systems	Newsletter printing – Inv 13021	150.00	0.00	150.00
M McCormick	Newsletter Delivery – April	34.00	0.00	34.00
T Jones	Newsletter Delivery - April	10.00	0.00	10.00
S Hartwell	Grass Mowing at Barby Park w/c 1 st March 2026	50.00	10.00	60.00
S Hartwell	Grass Mowing at Barby Park w/c 15 th March, w/c 29 th March	100.00	20.00	120.00
The Community Heartbeat Trust (Solutions) Ltd	Replacement Defibrillator Pads Inv 21074	142.95	28.59	171.54
Signbox.co.uk	Lectern – History Group Board – Proforma 12419	1170.87	234.17	1405.04
Eon	Daventry Rd – Replacement LED Lantern – Inv 6018817002	310.00	62.00	372.00
Eon	Kilsby Rd - Street light repair with 10% discount – Inv 6018816628	283.50	56.70	340.20
Onley Residents Association	Approved Minutes 9/03/26 – Easter Raffle Prize (Payment made)	50.00	0.00	50.00
Gardening Club	Approved Minutes 9/03/26 – Prize	50.00	0.00	50.00
Sam Metcalf	Tree Survey – Inv 2761	1550.00	310.00	1860.00
Lamley Brothers Ground Care Services	Mowing Onley Park March – Inv 12258	640.00	128.00	768.00

The Play Inspection Company	Annual Inspection of Recreational Areas – Inv 85234 Removed – Under Query	375.00	75.00	450.00
Northants CALC	Annual Membership – Inv 5397	990.45	74.47	1064.92
Eon	Street lighting Annual Maintenance – Inv 6018817586 –	584.00	116.80	700.80
Eon	Holme Way, Fit Lantern – Inv 6018817403	75.00	15.00	90.00
Unity Trust	Service charge	9.85	0.00	9.85
9	ONLEY			
9.1	To receive update from working group regarding Onley Playground refurbishment: The Clerk confirmed that West Northants Council have said that no planning consent was needed as long as structures were under 4m in height. A meeting is due to be arranged between Komplan and the working group re tender. A fundraising event is currently being planned for the 5 th September.			
9.2	To receive update and agree any actions regarding water pipe replacement and charging for water. Consider any action re abandoned cars on water pipe route: Cllr Gorman reported that dialogue is ongoing with the MOJ with the hope that a decision is made by May regarding charging for water. Action is ongoing regarding the removal of abandoned cars on the route in order for works to progress on the water pipe replacement.			
9.3	To receive update regarding Onley Village Hall: Cllr Withington reported that work is ongoing to find a new electricity provider for Onley village hall after having received an extremely high electricity bill last month.			
9.4	To receive update on any additional issues regarding Onley to be noted: Cllr Cotton reported that a large generator on the back of a lorry had been seen recently ahead of ongoing electrical work due at the prison. No communication had been received from the prison regarding any works.			
10	STATUTORY CONSULTEE ENGAGEMENT – BARBY CROSSROADS			
10.1	To consider the proposed 40 mph speed limit – Barby Crossroads, Barby – Comments due 17th April: It was RESOLVED to fully support the application of the proposed change to the speed limit at Barby Crossroads however the Parish Council would like to request the speed change to 30mph rather than 40mph and to extend the limit to beyond the Woodland entrance parking on Longdown Lane (from where new path constructed).			
11	BARBY WOOD FARM – SECTION 116, HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 APPLICATION			
11.1	To consider the application to remove public vehicular rights from track leading to Barby Wood Farm – comments due by 27th April: It was RESOLVED to support the application.			
12	LITTER PICKING			
12.1	To receive litter picking report: It was reported that 4 bags of litter had been collected in the past month.			
13	HISTORY GROUP BOARDS			
13.1	To receive any updates and agree any actions: Cllr O'Reilly confirmed a proforma invoice had been received and was due to be paid at tonight's meeting.			
14	NOTICEBOARD			
14.1	To consider Barby Village noticeboard repairs: Cllr Gove agreed to obtain a quote from a village craftsman to be presented at the next meeting.			
15	PARISH TREE SURVEY			
15.1	To consider reports, meeting of Tree working group and agree any actions: The tree survey report was received by the Parish Council. Quotes are to be obtained based on the report recommendations. It was RESOLVED that the Parish Council would allow the working group to approve a contractor to carry out the works to trees before the next meeting once all quotations had been received.			

15.1	Several Councillors had received correspondence from a Parishioner that was discussed. It was confirmed by the Parish Council that the contractor had been requested not to tag any young trees, however no tree dimensions were specified to the contractor by the Council. A Councillor pointed out that the Council had not planted any new trees for several years so the possibility to tag young trees should not have arisen. Secondly, it was unanimously agreed that the Parish Council would not obtain a second opinion on the survey findings, and this had never been carried out for any previous surveys undertaken. Finally, the Parish Council noted the request for notifications before any works to trees be carried out but concluded this was not standard practice as it could be unpracticable and a general notification would be included in the newsletter.
16	CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTIES BOND
16.1	To agree actions on bond maturity: The Parish Council RESOLVED to reinvest the full amount and any interest accrued from the previous year into a new bond once the renewal documents are received assuming the rate is similar to the previous year at 4.15%.
17	DEFIBRILLATORS
17.1	To receive update and agree any actions regarding defibrillators for Barby and Onley: Cllr Gorman reported that both defibrillators have now been installed at Onley Village Hall and the Arnold Arms, Barby Correspondence had also been received regarding another device installed at a residential address 1 Manor Farm, Barby A further discussion was had regarding a possible further unit.
18	PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE AND EMAILS
18.1	To receive update and agree any actions regarding email accounts: Cllr O'Reilly reported that the new BOPC gov.uk email addresses had been approved for use. It was confirmed that Zarr could forward emails from the old email addresses to the new. A question was asked regarding a security gateway.
19	SPEEDWATCH
19.1	To receive update on new equipment: Cllr Gove agreed to write an item for the newsletter seeking volunteers and the Council had purchased its' own speed measuring gun. A question was asked regarding speedwatch signs & Cllr Gorman agreed to try & obtain some.
20	BARBY WOODLANDS
20.1	To consider Barby Woodlands request re-entrance to the woodlands: Cllr Gorman reported on correspondence received from Barby Woodland regarding the new path that has recently been installed. The Parish Council RESOLVED to agree to the planting of a new hedge along the path and the temporary installation of a fence – assuming both would be maintained at no cost to the Parish Council. It was also RESOLVED to agree to the Woodlands request to incorporate one tree into the hedge and for Woodlands to fell another tree again assuming no cost to the Parish Council
21	FLAG FLYING POLICY
21.1	To consider flying Pride flag in June and if updates to Flag Flying Policy is required: It was RESOLVED to fly the Pride flag at the beginning of June and RESOLVED to not update the policy at this time.
22	SPEED INDICATOR DEVICES
22.1	To receive update and agree any actions regarding Speed Indicator Devices: Cllr Gorman reported that a grant had been approved by the OPFCC for £4900 towards the purchase of the SIDs. Once the grant money is received, the order for the signs will be placed.
22.2	Agree Parish Council comment for the Road Safety Community Fund press release: It was RESOLVED to provide a comment on behalf of the Parish Council for the OPFCC newsletter.
23	PLAY AREAS
23.1	To consider play area inspection reports and to agree any actions: The play area inspection report was received by the Parish Council. It was agreed to resolve any repairs required on the

23.1	moderate risk item at Barby play area. It was noted that the slide had not been picked up by the inspection company. Cllr Gorman to query the invoice for payment due to delays in the scheduling of the inspection and why the issue with the slide had not been highlighted. Quotes to be obtained to repair the roundabout.
24	STRATEGIC PLAN
24.1	To receive update and agree any actions regarding a Parish Council strategic plan: Cllr Wagg provided an update and reported that the next meeting would be with groups in Onley and younger groups.
25	PARISH COUNCIL ENGAGEMENT
25.1	To receive report on recent engagements and consider Parish Council interaction at forthcoming events: It was noted that the next breakfast club event would be on the 19 th April.
26	ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA
26.1	It was agreed to include the following item on the next agenda: i. Reserves

Meeting closed at 9.21pm.

Next meeting of Barby & Onley Parish Council will be the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING (6:30pm) and ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEEETING (7:30pm) held in Barby Village Hall on MONDAY 11TH MAY 2026

Signed Date:

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