

# Barby and Onley Newsletter

## February 2026

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<div data-bbox="112 303 571 470"> <p><b>6<sup>th</sup> Feb 7:30 pm</b></p> <h2>Nostalgic Lines</h2> <h3>Alastair Wood In Concert</h3> </div> <div data-bbox="112 478 425 782"> <p><b>Barby Village Hall</b></p> <p><b>Kilsby Rd Barby CV23 8TT</b></p>  </div> <div data-bbox="436 478 571 782"> <p>TRAVEL AROUND THE UK IN IMAGES AND SONG.</p> <p>ALASTAIR'S ORIGINAL WORK FEATURES OVER 60 YEARS OF PHOTOGRAPHY</p> <p>HIS OWN SONGS WRITTEN FOR NUMEROUS INSTRUMENTS</p> <p>MUSIC: TRAINS: HOMEBAKES: YOU MAY BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="112 790 571 901"> <p>Booking £10 per ticket Hot and cold drinks included.</p> <p><a href="http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/nostalgiclines">www.ticketsource.co.uk/nostalgiclines</a></p> <p>or contact Alastair direct 01788 726306 <a href="mailto:reynwood@btinternet.com">reynwood@btinternet.com</a></p>  </div>	<div data-bbox="616 335 1019 901">  <p><b>Leukaemia Care</b> YOUR Blood Cancer Charity</p> <h2>I'm running the London Marathon 2026</h2> <p>Please help me to raise money so Leukaemia Care can continue to offer support to leukaemia patients and those who love them.</p>  <p>To read my story and support my fundraising, please scan the QR code on your phone camera.</p> <p><b>Thank you, Misia Fajjier</b></p>  </div>
<p><b>Alastair is raising money for the provision of a toilet in St. Mary's Church</b></p> <div data-bbox="112 1053 571 1372">  <p><b>BARBY WOODLAND TRUST</b></p> <p>Registered Charity number 1207173</p> <h2>Trees and Bees Lottery</h2> <p>As part of its fund raising to support the work we are doing in Barby Meadow Woods, we are pleased to announce that we are setting up a monthly lottery.</p> <p>The cost of joining will be £5 per month with 50% of the monthly pot being paid in prize money. Draws will take place each month at the Bookend Club in Barby village hall or outside the Barby shop in the summer.</p> <p><b>To celebrate the launch of our lottery in March there will be a guaranteed prize fund of £100.</b></p> <p>We hope that you are enjoying visiting the woods and that you will feel able to support us in the work we are doing to maintain and develop the site. And who knows,</p> <p><i>It could be You!</i></p> <p>We are planning to have the first draw in March 2026. For more information about the lottery and how to join, please contact:</p> <p>Ripa Reeve (07876 315111) Katherine Webster (07768 008482) Email: <a href="mailto:secretary@barbywoodlandtrust.org.uk">secretary@barbywoodlandtrust.org.uk</a></p> </div>	<p><b>Misia is raising money for Leukaemia Care</b></p> <div data-bbox="716 1053 952 1420">  <p><b>BARBY WOODLAND TRUST</b></p> <p>Barby Woodlands Trust will be raising funds for the up-keep and continued maintenance of our wonderful community woodland, here in Barby.</p> <p><b>Please come and join us for our first Village Quiz Night</b></p> <p><b>Friday 27th February 2026</b> <b>Barby Village Hall</b> <b>07:30pm start</b></p> <p><b>£10 entry for team of 4</b></p> <p>We will be running a licensed bar &amp; hot dogs will be available to purchase plus a raffle</p> <p><b>To register your team please contact</b> (team numbers are limited due to space) Katherine - 07768 008482 or <a href="mailto:katherinewebster3@gmail.com">katherinewebster3@gmail.com</a> Graham - 07712 044180 or <a href="mailto:graham.sliper.g@gmail.com">graham.sliper.g@gmail.com</a></p> </div>

# **Parish Council News (Parish Clerk 07864 579068)**

## **Barby & Onley Parish Council**

The Parish Council continues to meet on the second Monday of each month except when it falls on a bank holiday. The next meeting will take place on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm at Barby Village Hall.

Members of the parish are welcome to join the meeting and raise any issues they wish during the period of public participation at the beginning of the meeting. Agendas and minutes are published on the parish notice boards and on the website: <https://www.barbyandonleyparishcouncil.gov.uk>

You can contact the Parish Council Clerk, Katrina Jones, at [clerk@barbyandonleyparishcouncil.co.uk](mailto:clerk@barbyandonleyparishcouncil.co.uk) or by telephone on 07864 579068.

**Parish Councillor Vacancies** The Parish Council has two vacancies. If you are interested in joining the Parish Council please contact the Parish Clerk.

**Pot Hole Survey** Rt. Hon. Stuart Andrew MP has launched a survey to gather residents' views on potholes and road safety across our area. The survey is available here: [www.stuartandrew.org.uk/news/potholes](http://www.stuartandrew.org.uk/news/potholes)

Please also continue to report any potholes on Fix My Street. Any highways issues, that are not concerning streetlights, can be reported to West Northamptonshire Council on the Fix My Street website <https://www.fixmystreet.com/>. If you notice any street lights which aren't working please contact the Parish Clerk.

**West Northamptonshire Local Plan** The eight-week consultation on the West Northamptonshire draft Local Plan will open on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January and run through to Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March, giving people an opportunity to share their views at [www.westnorthants.gov.uk/local-plan](http://www.westnorthants.gov.uk/local-plan)

To view other current consultations run by West Northants Council please visit the Consultation Hub on the West Northants Council website: <https://westnorthants.citizenspace.com/>.

**Planning Applications** Planning decisions are made by West Northamptonshire Council although the Parish Council is consulted on most applications. Details appear on the parish council website and in the minutes of meetings whenever the Parish Council has been consulted on an application within the Parish. For full details of all planning applications please visit the planning portal on the West Northamptonshire Council website:

<https://www.westnorthants.gov.uk/planning-applications-and-enforcement/view-and-comment-planning-application>

As this is the first newsletter of 2026 – the Parish Council would like to wish all Parishioners a Happy New Year.

Thank you to Cllr Sarah Withington and OPRA members in Onley for planting and decorating the community Christmas Tree and to Barby Townlands Educational Charity for decorating the Barby Christmas Tree.

The Parish Council arranged for the rubbish to be cleared and the vegetation to be cut back in the area behind the garages in Onley which has really made a difference to that area. The Parish Council have written to Wates Construction to thank them, on behalf of the Parish, for building a path to Onley Village Hall from the access road.

**Road Closures** We understand that Anglian Water will be carrying out works on Onley Lane and Rugby Road from 26<sup>th</sup> January – 20<sup>th</sup> March. Barby Lane will be closed from 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> April for repairs to the road surface on the bridge over the canal. WNC tell us that these repairs will continue northward on Barby Lane to the County boundary. This work had been previously scheduled and postponed from last year. Work to eliminate the flood on the road into Kilsby from Barby, which forms ice in cold weather, has also been re-scheduled from last year with the expected completion date now being 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2026.

**Parking on verges and areas of grass** Please do not park on any grass verges or areas around the Parish especially when the ground is so wet as it is currently. This includes the grass areas around the playground. Thank you.

**Bus route through Barby** We are fortunate to have a regular bus service in Barby which is run by Stagecoach. Can you please let me know your thoughts on diverting the bus route through the village from the current route -The Green/Rectory Rd/Kilsby Rd to an alternative route via Rugby Road/Ware Road?

**Budget** Please find a summary of the Parish Council's budget within this newsletter (page 4). As we are in the process of formulating our three year strategic plan to determine the Council's direction and plans it was decided to maintain the precept (the amount of Council tax that goes to the Parish) at the same level as it is currently i.e. there will be no increase in the Parish Council portion of your Council Tax from April 2026.

We have vacancies for Parish Councillors, training will be provided, no experience is necessary. If you would like to help and support your Community and get involved in making decisions within the Parish then please contact me.

Please contact me directly if there is anything within the Parish that you would like to bring to the Council's attention or if there are any improvements that you would like to see being made.

Faith Goman – Chair Barby & Onley Parish Council; [faith.gorman@bopc.co.uk](mailto:faith.gorman@bopc.co.uk)

## Barby & Onley Parish Council Budget for 2026/27

Prepared January 2026 (NJG)

## Financial Expenditure & Income

	Current Year	Changes	New Budget Year
	12 Months Forecast	this Year to	12 Months Forecast
	2025/26	Next Year	2026/27
Employment, Office, Admin, Legal costs	25,189	752	25,941
Rents - Play Field, Sports Field, Tennis Court	1,480	0	1,480
Street Lighting	4,868	-62	4,806
Grass Cutting	4,730	-250	4,480
Insurance Premiums	1,290	0	1,290
Investment Interest & Reserves	-2,159	759	-1,400
Sports Field Grass cutting grant	1,500	0	1,500
Play Area, Skate, Tennis Court - Maintenance	6,825	20	6,845
News Letter, Website	2,488	34	2,522
Street Lights Loan Repayment	2,670	0	2,670
Environment - Trees, Hedges, Litter picking	7,117	16	7,133
NALC subscription/Annual Return	1,046	31	1,077
Donations to local Organisations	1,200	3,800	5,000
Village Hall grants	2,915	-1,415	1,500
Audit & Accounting System	1,687	9	1,696
Training	432	103	535
Highway signs & Batteries	442	-442	0
Other Expenditure	441	-120	320
<b>Total Expenditure in Year</b>	<b>64,160</b>	<b>3,236</b>	<b>67,396</b>
<b>Less Precept Income in Year</b>	<b>67,353</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>67,353</b>
<b>Net Expenditure</b>	<b>3,193</b>	<b>-3,236</b>	<b>-43</b>
	Surplus	Reduction	

## Vacancy on the Parish Council



Are you passionate about your community?

Do you want to help make a long-lasting change?

Do you want to be involved in shaping the future of our Parish?

Do you have concerns about a specific issue and want to do something about it?

If this is you, then we need you.

We need people from all backgrounds and experiences to put themselves forward for co-option to the Parish Council.

No experience is necessary, training will be given

The work of a councillor can be extremely rewarding.

If you would like further information or to apply please contact our Clerk at [clerk@barbyandonleyparishcouncil.co.uk](mailto:clerk@barbyandonleyparishcouncil.co.uk) or by telephone on 07864 579068

## Clubs and Societies

**Badminton** Barby Village Hall Wednesdays 8pm-10pm. Exercise yes, fun yes, competitive sometimes. As we only have one court, we generally play doubles. No membership, turn up, pay and play. £3 pp. for the night.

**Barby Short Mat Bowls Club** This is an invitation to all residents of Barby and Onley to join a thriving club. You are welcome whether you are novice or experienced. We meet every Thursday in Barby Village Hall at 09:15 and play from 09:30 to 11:30 with a refreshment break. Please come and join us.

**Barby Cricket Club** extends a warm invitation to all villagers to pop along and see what the club is all about. Social Membership to the club is available at £10.00 for the season & will allow you to use our Bar Facilities.

For more information go to [www.pitchero.com/clubs/barbycricketclub2](http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/barbycricketclub2)

**Barby Cricket Club – 100 Club draw.** The winners of the November 2025 draw were T. Gleghorn £80, AF. Sinclair £60, S. Saeed £40. The winners of the December 2025 draw were S. Wilson £150, K. Hardbattle £120, R. Wilson £100, C. Fortnum £100, R. English £80 and C. Bramley £50.

**Barby Village Hall Community Café** The bookswap café meets on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> February 2pm to 4pm. Come and have a chat and a cup of tea and pick up a new book or jigsaw. On 16<sup>th</sup> there will be a demonstration of the use of a defibrillator.

**Barby and Onley Gardening Club:** Our February meeting is on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February when we will be holding an open session and various events including a Q & A session where there is the opportunity to ask questions on all things gardening. We will also be holding our annual Seed Swap evening. Please bring along seed packets (in date please), opened or otherwise and swap them for other packets. Our meeting starts at 7.45pm with refreshments from 7.15pm. You don't have to be a member to come along.

At our January meeting we had Fern and Leah from Rugby Borough Council giving a very entertaining talk on what it takes to keep the parks and other open spaces in and around Rugby looking beautiful. Did you know, last year they planted over 8,000 bedding plants and over 3,000 bulbs!

**Evergreen Club** – The Evergreen Club, Barby over-sixties club, meets once a fortnight on a Wednesday afternoon 2:00pm to 4:00pm in Barby Village Hall. The group meet to enjoy games of bingo, cards and dominoes, with a cuppa and cake all for £2! Our meetings in February will be on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Barby Local History Group** [www.barbylhg.org.uk](http://www.barbylhg.org.uk) - Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February at 7.45 in Barby Village Hall when John Pomfret is coming to talk on "Medical Pioneers in Northamptonshire". Visitors are most welcome.

**WI** – At our next meeting Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30 in Barby Village Hall Lou Tassell will tell us all about Hand Reflexology. We have arranged for Naomi from the Our Jay Foundation to come along to the Book Cafe on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February from 2 o'clock. She will bring with her training defibrillators and manikins for people to have to have a go. She will tell us all we NEED to know and understand about defibrillators. Do try to come along. Find out more come along or give Chris a call on 890963.

**Barby Village Hall** Do you have any good ideas for fundraising? Would you like to help support facilities in Barby? There are 2 places available for members on the committee of villagers who look after Barby Village Hall. The duties are not onerous (4 or 5 meetings per year) and you will be helping to keep up an important village facility.

If you are interested in joining the committee, please contact the chairman, Bryan O'Reilly 07930 607345.



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## Other Notices

**Breakfast club** Breakfast Club at Barby Village Hall on 15<sup>th</sup> February will be supporting Paw Prints. We are keeping the price at £7-00 for a full English breakfast. Thank you to all for your support. Please note we will now be serving breakfast from 9.00am.

**Barby Woodlands Trust Quiz Night** Barby Village Hall 27<sup>th</sup> Feb 2026. BWT will be raising funds for ongoing maintenance costs for the Woodlands. Teams of 4, £10 per team. Enquiries to Katherine 07768 008482 or Graham 07712 044180

**Community Choir** A big thank you to all who sang as part of the Community Choir at the Christmas events. There was lots of positive feedback and a great sound was enjoyed by many. The Barby and Kilsby Community Choir meets every Monday 7.00pm to 8.30pm in St Mary's Church Barby; there are currently around 35 singers. Whether you sing in a choral society, just sing in the bath or you find your singing voice at a rugby or football match, all are welcome to come and join in and no prior experience of singing in a group is needed.

**St. Mary's Church, Barby** Soup & Roll at St. Mary's Church, Barby on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February and Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 12 noon to 2pm. Homemade soup and a roll, homemade desserts and cream, tea or coffee will be available for £7. All proceeds go to St. Mary's Church.

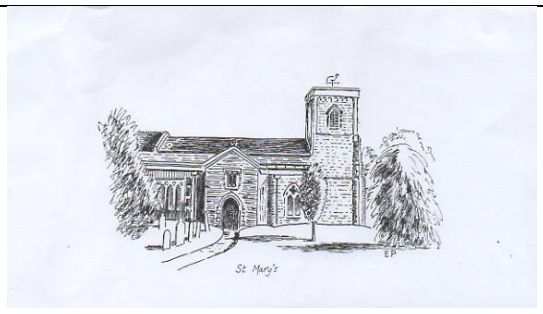
### **YOUR HELP IS NEEDED IF SOUP & ROLL IS TO CONTINUE!!**

We need new volunteers, either to provide a home-made soup or dessert on the day, or to help in the church serving soup and desserts or taking money as people arrive. We usually have Soup and Roll on the first Saturday of each month between September and May. If we can get enough volunteers then it won't have to be every month, we can work on a rota basis. If you can help please contact me. Douglas Thompson 07941262178

#### February Services at St Mary's Barby

- 1st Feb 10.30 am
- 8th Feb 9.00 am
- 15th Feb 10.30 am
- 22nd Feb 9.00 am

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## Your collection day has not changed:

Please look-up your usual collection day on the calendar below.



### Recycling

Collected every  
two weeks



### Garden waste

Collected every  
two weeks



### Food waste

Collected  
every week



### General waste

Collected every  
three weeks

## Garden waste collections

You will only receive garden waste collections if you subscribe to the chargeable service.

There will be a short break for garden waste collections from 22 December 2025 to 4 January 2026.

## Batteries and small electrical items:

Please place your old small electrical items and batteries in a bag **on top** of your general waste bin for collection on your usual general waste collection day.

### December 2025

M T W T F						
R	F	1	2	3	4	5
G	F	8	9	10	11	12
W	R	15	16	17	18	19
	F	22	23	24	25	26
R	F	29	30	31	1	2

\*Thurs collection changed to **Saturday, 27 December**  
\*Fri collection changed to **Sunday, 28 December**

### January 2026

M T W T F						
R	F	29	30	31	1	2
W	G	5	6	7	8	9
	F	12	13	14	15	16
G	F	19	20	21	22	23
W	R	26	27	28	29	30

\*Thurs collection changed to **Saturday, 3 January**

### February 2026

M T W T F						
G	F	2	3	4	5	6
R	F	9	10	11	12	13
W	G	16	17	18	19	20
R	F	23	24	25	26	27

### March 2026

M T W T F						
G	F	2	3	4	5	6
W	R	9	10	11	12	13
G	F	16	17	18	19	20
R	F	23	24	25	26	27
W	G	30	31	1	2	3

### April 2026

M T W T F						
W	G	F	30	31	1	2
R	F	6	7	8	9	10
G	F	13	14	15	16	17
W	R	20	21	22	23	24
G	F	27	28	29	30	1

### May 2026

M T W T F						
G	F	27	28	29	30	1
R	F	4	5	6	7	8
W	G	11	12	13	14	15
R	F	18	19	20	21	22
G	F	25	26	27	28	29

### June 2026

M T W T F						
W	R	F	1	2	3	4
G	F	8	9	10	11	12
R	F	15	16	17	18	19
W	G	22	23	24	25	26
R	F	29	30	1	2	3

### July 2026

M T W T F						
R	F	29	30	1	2	3
G	F	6	7	8	9	10
W	R	13	14	15	16	17
G	F	20	21	22	23	24
R	F	27	28	29	30	31

### August 2026

M T W T F						
W	G	F	3	4	5	6
R	F	10	11	12	13	14
G	F	17	18	19	20	21
W	R	24	25	26	27	28
G	F	31	1	2	3	4

### September 2026

M T W T F						
G	F	31	1	2	3	4
R	F	7	8	9	10	11
W	G	14	15	16	17	18
R	F	21	22	23	24	25
G	F	28	29	30	1	2

### October 2026

M T W T F						
G	F	28	29	30	1	2
W	R	5	6	7	8	9
G	F	12	13	14	15	16
R	F	19	20	21	22	23
W	G	26	27	28	29	30

### November 2026

M T W T F						
R	F	2	3	4	5	6
G	F	9	10	11	12	13
W	R	16	17	18	19	20
G	F	23	24	25	26	27
R	F	30	1	2	3	4



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## Dates for your Diary

<b>February</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Community Café – Barby Village Hall 2.00pm to 4.00pm
	6 <sup>th</sup>	Alastair Wood in Concert – Barby Village Hall 7.30pm
	7 <sup>th</sup>	Soup and a Roll – St. Mary's Church 12 noon -2.00pm
	9 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting – Barby Village Hall 7.30pm
	10 <sup>th</sup>	WI – Barby Village Hall 7.30pm
	11 <sup>th</sup>	Evergreen Club – Barby Village Hall 2.00pm to 4.00pm
	11 <sup>th</sup>	Local History Group– Barby Village Hall 7.45pm
	15 <sup>th</sup>	Breakfast Café – Barby Village Hall 9.00am to 11.30am
	16 <sup>th</sup>	Community Café – Barby Village Hall 2.00pm to 4.00pm
	17 <sup>th</sup>	Barby and Onley Gardening Club – Barby Village Hall 7.15pm
	25 <sup>th</sup>	Evergreen Club – Barby Village Hall 2.00pm to 4.00pm
	27 <sup>th</sup>	Barby Woodland Trust Quiz – Barby Village Hall 7.30pm

## Your Current Parish Councillors

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