

Barby and Onley Newsletter

February 2026

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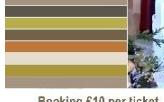


Nostalgic Lines Alastair Wood In Concert

6th Feb
7:30 pm

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of a toilet in St. Mary's Church

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Thank you,
Misia Fajgier



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REGULATOR

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Misia is raising money for
Leukaemia Care



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Trees and Bees Lottery

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.

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 Desakell Club in Barby village hall or outside the Barby shop in the summer.

To celebrate the launch of our lottery in March there will be a guaranteed prize fund of £100.

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,

It could be You!

We are planning to have the first draw in March 2026, for more information about the lottery and how to join, please contact:

Pippa Reeve (07876 315111)
Katherine Webster (07768 009482)
Email Secretary@barbywoodlandtrust.org.uk



Barby Woodlands Trust will be raising funds for the
up-keep and continued maintenance of our wonderful
community woodland, here in Barby.

Please come and join us for our first
Village Quiz Night

Friday 27th February 2026
Barby Village Hall
07:30pm start

£10 entry for team of 4

We will be running a licensed bar
and hot dogs will be available to purchase
plus a raffle

To register your team please contact
(team numbers are limited due to space)
Katherine - 07768 009482 or katherinewebsitel@gmail.com
Graham - 07712 044180 or graham.sloper.g@gmail.com

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 9th 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 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

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 29th January and run through to Saturday 28th March, giving people an opportunity to share their views at 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 Rugy Road from 26th January – 20th March. Barby Lane will be closed from 6th – 10th 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 3rd 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

Barby & Onley Parish Council

Budget for 2026/27

Prepared January 2026 (NJG)

Employment, Office, Admin, Legal costs
 Rents - Play Field, Sports Field, Tennis Court
 Street Lighting
 Grass Cutting
 Insurance Premiums
 Investment Interest & Reserves
 Sports Field Grass cutting grant
 Play Area, Skate, Tennis Court - Maintenance
 News Letter, Website
 Street Lights Loan Repayment
 Environment - Trees,Hedges,Litter picking
 NALC subscription/Annual Return
 Donations to local Organisations
 Village Hall grants
 Audit & Accounting System
 Training
 Highway signs & Batteries
 Other Expenditure

Total Expenditure in Year

Less Precept Income in Year

Net Expenditure

Financial Expenditure & Income

Current Year	Changes	New Budget Year
12 Months Forecast	this Year to	12 Months Forecast
2025/26	Next Year	2026/27
25,189	752	25,941
1,480	0	1,480
4,868	-62	4,806
4,730	-250	4,480
1,290	0	1,290
-2,159	759	-1,400
1,500	0	1,500
6,825	20	6,845
2,488	34	2,522
2,670	0	2,670
7,117	16	7,133
1,046	31	1,077
1,200	3,800	5,000
2,915	-1,415	1,500
1,687	9	1,696
432	103	535
442	-442	0
441	-120	320
64,160	3,236	67,396
Less Precept Income in Year	67,353	0
Net Expenditure	3,193	-3,236
		Surplus Reduction
		-43

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 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

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 2nd and 16th February 2pm to 4pm. Come and have a chat and a cup of tea and pick up a new book or jigsaw. On 16th there will be a demonstration of the use of a defibrillator.

Barby and Onley Gardening Club: Our February meeting is on Tuesday 17th 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 11th and Wednesday 25th.

Barby Local History Group www.barbylhg.org.uk - Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 11th 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 10th 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 16th 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 15th 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 27th 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 7th February and Saturday 7th 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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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	F	15	16	17	18
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	3
W	G	F	5	6	7	8	9
R	F	12	13	14	15	16	
G	F	19	20	21	22	23	
W	R	F	26	27	28	29	30

February 2026

M T W T F

G	F	2	3	4	5	6	7
R	F	9	10	11	12	13	
W	G	F	16	17	18	19	20
R	F	23	24	25	26	27	28

March 2026

M T W T F

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

April 2026

April 2026

M T W T F

W	G	F	30	31	1	2	3
R	F	6	7	8	9	10	
G	F	13	14	15	16	17	
W	R	F	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	F	11	12	13	14
R	F	18	19	20	21	22
G	F	25	26	27	28	29

June 2026

July 2026

M T W T F

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

August 2026

M T W T F

W	G	F	3	4	5	6	7
R	F	10	11	12	13	14	
G	F	17	18	19	20	21	
W	R	F	24	25	26	27	28
G	F	31	1	2	3	4	

September 2026

October 2026

M T W T F

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

November 2026

M T W T F

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



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Dates for your Diary

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

Your Current Parish Councillors

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