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Levelling Up in Barton

Barton-upon-Humber has been awarded £19.7m in Levelling Up Funds.

The regeneration project will pave the way for the first phase of the Barton link-road that will directly connect the A15 with the A1077 near Wren Kitchens creating a bypass around the town. Improvements to the A1077 to alleviate congestion in the town centre will be funded, along with 14km of new cycle lanes.

"Mass improvements" to the town's railway station are also part of the successful bid. These will include new cycle parking, an extension of the car park and bus shelter upgrades.

Barton's success is impressive, given the competition for funding.

The Levelling Up Fund awarded £1.7bn to projects in October 2021 and another £2.1bn in January 2023.

North Lincolnshire Council bid for £70m in total, including for projects in Scunthorpe and Brigg, but these other bid elements were unsuccessful. Demand for the cash was oversubscribed. There were at least 525 different bids for Levelling Up Funds in round 2

The Mayor of Barton, Councillor Paul Vickers, told us: "We have worked long and hard and have successfully secured money for Barton from the Government's Levelling Up Fund." He added: "£19.7m is a significant investment in Barton-upon-Humber. I talk with many residents who are concerned with congestion within the town. This money will go a long



way to resolving these everyday concerns. To be able to start Phase One of the link road this year will be a huge step in removing congestion away from the town."

Councillor Vickers added: "I am also pleased there will be improvements to the bus and rail interchange. We are a growing town requiring the best public transport available; residents also need excellent facilities when waiting for buses and trains. Some brilliant plans for the interchange will include environmental technology, such as electric charging points for vehicles. As ever, please do get in touch if you have any questions regarding this or anything else."

How will the money be spent?
North Lincolnshire Council has revealed some more details recently.

Barton-upon-Humber Link Road - including A1077 Corridor Improvements

This will kick-start the proposed Phase 1 of the Barton-upon-Humber

link road paying for 0.64 miles of carriageway. A preferred route for the relief road was settled in March 2022. And the tender to build the bypass will be put out later this year.

Improvements to the A1077 corridor through the town.

A shared footway and cycleway route will be delivered on both sides of the Phase 1 link road, along with landscape buffering

Active Travel Routes

This intervention will deliver a town-wide network of Active Travel Routes, including 8.5 miles of new cycling routes and nearly 3 miles of improved pedestrian routes.

These will be delivered along key movement routes through the town, such as to schools, key assets, railway and bus station, and employment sites.

Barton-upon-Humber station interchange Hub

Developed from plans initiated by Barton Civic Society in November

2018 the interchange will undergo a transformation.

This will deliver an integrated mobility hub at Barton-upon-Humber railway and bus interchange, including covered cycle parking, one cycle charging point, an extension to the car park to include 31 new spaces with two electrical vehicle (EV) charging points, improved public realm (replacing paving, bus shelter improvements), and real-time passenger information.

The Bartonian has asked North Lincolnshire Council for in-depth details about these initiatives. Still, at the time of publication, we have been unable to get a response. We will publish it in a future edition as soon as we find out more.

So what is "Levelling Up"

'Levelling Up' is the Government's aim to make life more equal in the UK, meaning there will be less difference between wealthy and poorer areas.

The Government wants to support areas that do not have the same wealth or opportunities that other regions of the UK might have.

By giving more support to these areas, the hope is that where you grow up or work will not negatively impact your future or quality of life.

While the UK is one of the wealthiest countries in the world, it also has a high level of what is called "regional inequality" compared to other wealthy countries.

Regional inequality means some areas of the UK have more money, opportunities, housing, and better access to public services than others.

Levelling Up Funds are being used to address some of these issues.

Where was the money spent?

The North West of England got the most money in both funding rounds. In the latest round, the South East came second.

Across the UK, £672m has been awarded to develop better transport links, £821m for community regeneration projects, and £594m to restore local heritage sites.

Local MPs were allowed to formally support two bids before the proposals were judged by officials from the Treasury, Levelling Up Department and Department for Transport.

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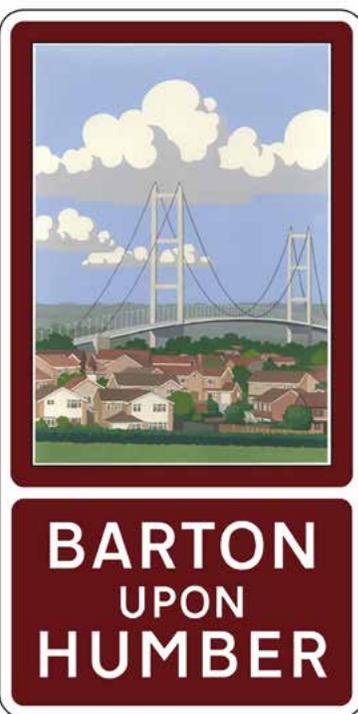
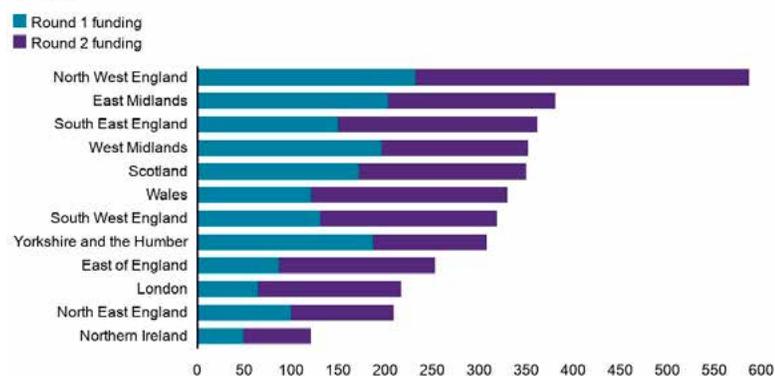


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Barton Upon Humber Town Council Meetings

All meetings are held within the Assembly Rooms on Queen Street. Members of the public are welcome at all meetings and the council welcomes attendance. There are many different meetings covering a wide range of council services and projects. There is a designated time prior to the meeting commencing for members of the public to be able to address the councillors and the opportunity is there to remain at the meeting and listen to the councillors debate and make their decisions.

Barton Upon Humber Town Council forth-coming meeting dates

Month	Meeting	Date	Time
March 2023	Planning	Monday 13	18:00
	Community	Monday 13	19:00
	Full Council	Wednesday 5	19:00
April 2023	Planning	Wednesday 5	18:00
	Annual Town Meeting	Thursday 13	18:00
	Finance & General Purposes	Monday 24	18:00
May 2023	Annual Meeting (Mayor)	Wednesday 17	19:00
	Environment	Monday 22	18:00

Barton Upon Humber Town Council Office opening hours

Barton Upon Humber Town Council office endeavours to open Monday to Friday from 9am to 4.30pm.

However if the office is closed, the Council staff can be contacted via telephone or by email. Telephone: 01652 633598 or 07983154787/Email: info@bartonuponhumbertowncouncil.gov.uk

Please keep up to date with meetings, town information, events and activities via our Town Council Website page www.bartontowncouncil.org.uk and Facebook page www.facebook.com/BartonTownCouncil



BARTON UPON HUMBER MARKET
 BAKED GOODS; SWEET TREATS
 GIFTS; LOCAL CRAFTS
 SO MUCH MORE!
 08:30-2pm
 Every first Saturday of the month
 BARTON MARKET PLACE & BUTCHERY

Town Council updates

The Council welcomes Ms Liz Bennet who was co-opted as a councillor on Wednesday January 18, 2023.

The first Saturday Market of the year was a great success with 28 stall holders present as well as the Evangelical Church serving tea, coffee and biscuits and providing a Warm Space for the duration. The next Market will be on Saturday April 1. Please contact info@bartonuponhumbertowncouncil.gov.uk / 01652 633598 to secure a stall. Environmental projects are ongoing. The improvements to the Ferriby Road/Forkedale roundabout have begun and it will not be long before new bee friendly plants are planted on the roundabout. It is hoped to source plants that flower in red,

white and blue to coincide with the King's Coronation year. Consultation is ongoing to gain feedback on a Community Orchard and wildflower area in the location of Ramblers Lane and on Tofts Road behind the Salvation Army building. Thank you to all those residents who have engaged with the consultation which is really valuable. New signage is being developed for all wildflower areas to highlight the reasons why the grass verges are not cut in the same way that other verges are. The specification for the planters all around the town has been developed and out for tender.

The lamp posts in the town centre are having structural tests over the next few weeks to establish if they are sturdy enough to carry the new planters that were purchased last year.

A new Memorial Bench will be in place at the time of writing in the Humber Bridge Viewing area. This very special bench, in memory of the Late Queen Elizabeth II who opened the Humber Bridge in July 1981 is located at the end of the public footpath into the Viewing Area Car Park.



Mayoral Dinner

Barton Mayor Cllr Paul Vickers held the annual Mayoral Dinner at The Assembly Rooms on Friday 24 February. Pictured before the dinner The Assembly Rooms really looked smart. The event raised £801 for the Mayor's charities which are GEO and Barton Town Cricket Club.

The Coronation Trail

Prizes to be won!



Can you spot St Edward's Crown around the shop and business windows in Barton?

King Charles III's coronation will be on Saturday, May 6 at Westminster Abbey. To celebrate, Barton Town Council has placed 14 St Edward's Crowns around the shop and business windows of Barton. Can you find them all to find the hidden words?

You can start searching high and low from Tuesday, May 2. Each Crown has a letter and is numbered to give you a helping hand.

To enter the competition all you need to do is download an entry form from www.facebook.com/BartonTownCouncil or pick one up from the Town Council Office on Queen Street, write down all the letters which can be found on each Crown in the windows and return your entry form to the Town Council by 4pm on Tuesday May 9. Don't forget to include your name, age, address and contact number.

Good Luck!

Photo ID is now required to vote at Elections in May 2023

From May 4 this year voters will need to show photo ID to vote at polling stations in local elections, Police and Crime Commissioner elections, UK Parliamentary by-elections and Recall Petitions. From October it will also apply to UK General elections.

Accepted forms of ID include a UK, European Economic Area or Commonwealth passport, a UK, EEA or Commonwealth driver's licence and some concessionary travel passes, such as an older person's bus pass or an Oyster 60+ card. Expired ID can be used if the voter is still recognisable.

Applications can be made online for free ID (Voter Authority Certificate) at the Voter ID | Electoral Commission website <https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/voter/voter-id> where a full list of accepted ID can also be found. The deadline to apply for this certificate is Tuesday, April 25. The Town Council will obtain paper applications for anyone wishing to call in to the office to pick one up.

You will not need to provide photo ID to vote by post. There are other identification checks, including verification of your signature and date of birth. If you are already registered to vote by post, you don't need to register again.

The King's Coronation Grants Scheme

Get the dates May 6 - 8 in your diaries to join in the celebrations!

Barton Town Council will establish a small, time-limited grant scheme to specifically provide small amounts of funding to community groups to help cover the cost of hosting Coronation celebrations during the Coronation Weekend between May 6 and 8. The council is encouraging local community groups and organisations to apply for up to a maximum of £100.

Please contact the Town Council office for further details.

Barton Volunteers

It's time to spring into action as the days grow longer and what better way to fill your spare time than to volunteer.



There are so many benefits to the organisation you volunteer for but also to yourself. It's a great way to meet new people and to improve your home town.

Two volunteers who can be seen working with a number of organisations are **Colin Andrew and Tim Woollard**. Colin and Tim keep the willow at The Ropewalk in check and they have found a useful way to dispose of it. The pair also volunteer at Far Ings nature reserve where they have taken the willow to create hedging. Brilliant work!

If you would like to find out more about volunteering get in touch with Barton Volunteers through the Barton Tourism Partnership at BTP@the-ropewalk.co.uk.



Jon Boddy has recently retired from his role as Chairman at Barton United Junior Football Club. Whilst entirely voluntary, Jon estimates it has taken up to 14 hours of his time, every week for 20 years, equivalent to a part-time job.

It began when Jon's son attended the Lincolnshire Soccer School in 2004. Faced with a small group of boys who had not made the team but wanted to play football he was enticed with the suggestion "all they need is a coach". Two years later, Barton Utd JFC emerged. This beginning set a precedent for Jon as someone who "never wanted to let anyone down".

Shaped by his involvement in rugby that "made a space for everyone" he tried to "give that back" to children who joined the club recognising the value in each child. His goal was to meet the expectations of the children and provide a space for them to "have fun and play footy with their mates" that was not restricted by either the need to win or the cost of play.

Playing 'pro' is a dream of many boys kicking a football around each week; around 0.012% of the boys who play organised football in England will go on to play in the Premier League. For Jon, the dream was simpler, to reward the "effort and attitude...their pure enjoyment" and to harness the endless enthusiasm of the children who grew into teenagers. He showed the boys how to "bounce back" and have the "fortitude...to dust themselves down and go again". It was not about the final score on the day but the long-term improvement throughout the season.

To keep the costs down for the players and their families, Barton Utd JFC did not have a base which meant that in the past 20 years, they have played at Castledyke School, Barton St Peter's and Cemex; moving between Baysgarth School in the winter and back to Baysgarth Park when the nights were lighter. A

group of volunteers cleared, levelled, and seeded a disused playing field in South Ferriby where they played for a few years, handing over £1 per year to the Parish council! At one time, 10 teams needed different goal sizes and kits; Jon's shed and car played their part.

Jon repeatedly gave players at Barton Utd JFC "as few reasons to stop playing as possible", including keeping the club going during the pandemic. He recalls being faced with a group of eight-year-olds whose team was close to folding. Again, he stepped forward and they are still playing now aged 13, with a different coach. Jon reflects that the children were always grateful for his efforts and for being treated like mini adults. It's working with the endlessly enthusiastic children that he will miss the most.

The phrase "Jon will do it" is familiar to many at Barton Utd JFC; every time he stepped forward and raised his hand, he committed to sacrificing his time so that there was a place for any boy who wanted to play football. This has had an untold positive effect on those boys and the wider community leaving, what the new Chairman, Stuart Smith describes as "large shoes to fill". With a different focus now, Jon plans on supporting his wife, Clare, in playing hockey and in upcoming England trials, and looking forward next to a tournament in Valencia.

In the future, Jon hopes the club continues to provide football opportunities for all and to offer girls' a chance to join the boys. Barton United play every Sunday, 10-11am at Baysgarth Park. The facebook group is @barton United jfc.

Eddie Burns The Miles For MND Research

Many of us have been in awe of former rugby league player Kevin Sinfield who completed a series of gruelling challenges to raise awareness and funds to help find a cure for motor neurone disease.

In January Bartonian Eddie Eggleton, inspired by those efforts, played his part to raise funds to tackle the terrible disease. You may have seen Eddie pounding the pavements around the area in January as he set himself the challenge of running 14 miles every day for 14 days to raise money for the Motor Neurone Disease Association.

His routes around the area took him as far afield as Saxby All Saints, and the Low Villages, New Holland and the river bank, and across the bridge to Hessele.

The MND Association focuses on improving access to care, research and campaigning for those living with or affected by MND. Eddie says, "I've seen first hand how this disease can make life hugely challenging for anyone. It can strike any of us, no matter how fit we are, and we have to find a cure. I want to play my part



to help do that," Eddie explained. Local people have stepped up to support Eddie with donations towards his target of £1000 and friends and locals, including

firefighters from Barton Fire Station and pupils from Baysgarth School, have been running with Eddie to support him through his fantastic challenge.

"I've been so touched by the positive response from local people. I can't thank them enough! The kids at Baysgarth School were great, so good seeing the Year Eights getting involved," he added.

The great news is that Eddie hit his target. "I'd like to say a massive thank you to everyone who has supported this. I'm sure it will make a real difference for those fighting the disease and to those working to find a cure," he said.

If you would like to support Eddie and this worthwhile cause, please follow the link below to donate <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Eddys14in14>

Ups and downs of rainfall in Barton 2022

Rainfall 2022 - Last year's rainfall, which was well below the 20 year average, was one of extremes.

There were some very wet months like February and September to December, and some extremely dry ones. Notably, there was another dry April, a dry July with that heatwave and June had less than half the 20 year average for that month.

The wet months at the end of the year obviously have helped replenish

the ground water levels as the Beck started to fill on December 28 last year. With the very dry start to 2023, it will be interesting to see how long the levels hold up.

Water levels in the Beck have long been a topic of debate in the town. Thomas Tombleson, in his "Fragments" (papers read before

the Literary Institute) 1903 records water levels across the town being lower than in the past. It is hard to imagine that there was enough water flowing through the Beck to power a water mill sited where the gardens at the start of Pasture Road are now.

Tombleson traces the mill back to

1621. In 1785, the then owner of the Beck Mill, began to think someone was preventing the water from flowing as freely as it used to. By 1805 it seems the mill was no longer used, the area being described as the site of a mill. Tombleson suggests that the Beck was dry for half the year making the mill not worth

repairing. He also comments that the strong springs to the east of the Beck "are almost gone and nobody would ever dream of making in the Beck stream the Washdyke where we frequently washed our sheep when I was young".

Neil Jacques

RAINFALL

Figures in millimetres

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	20 year AVG	2022
Jan	38.5	78.75	83.25	24.75	30.75	55.5	125.5	45.5	54.75	30.5	28	45.75	95.75	25	49.75	32	50	21	32.25	98	52.26	18
Feb	48.25	23.75	38.25	50.25	46	61.5	22	57.75	64.75	68.25	16	31.5	47	36.75	50.25	71.5	31.5	19.5	110.75	77	48.63	84.25
March	26	18.75	29.5	25.75	58.5	29.75	63.5	26	35.25	5.75	18.5	54	38.75	30.25	73.25	35.25	56.5	68	15.25	21	36.48	36.75
April	25.75	39.75	79.5	47.75	41.75	7.25	53	15.75	22.5	11	129	4.25	18.75	15.5	34.25	21.25	76.75	20.5	4.75	2.5	33.58	8
May	61.75	48	30	31	93.5	86.75	18.75	57	7	16.25	48.5	45.5	121.5	71.75	35.5	68	33.75	29.5	8.5	81.5	49.70	42.25
June	82.75	91.25	76	43.75	10.5	255.5	62.25	13.25	40	50	107	55.5	73.75	46.75	102	94.5	13.25	66.25	87.5	44.75	70.83	31.25
July	101.75	48.75	85.5	53.75	51.5	67.75	81.25	90	12	36	83	25.25	55	63.75	42.5	78	24	42	63	74	58.94	18
Aug	54.75	6.75	115.25	68.5	108	20.75	55.25	56.75	61	67.25	48.5	24.25	95.25	75.75	70.25	71.5	43.75	36.25	78.25	35	59.65	24.25
Sept	31.25	36.5	34.5	36.5	65.5	28.75	92.5	22.5	71.25	22.75	47	21	14	20.5	46	47	49.5	116	32.75	60.75	44.83	57.25
Oct	132.75	40.25	107	69	68.25	29	67.5	56.5	27.75	46.5	52.75	81	76	41.5	63	27.75	47.5	139.75	102	91.75	68.38	105.25
Nov	111.5	55.25	31.25	42.25	46.25	45.5	57.75	80.75	82.25	17	113.75	35	73.5	63	86	50	73.25	173.25	16.75	27.75	64.10	88.5
Dec	129.75	51.5	21	30	57.25	48.5	63.25	72.5	32.5	54.75	113.5	28.25	41.25	64.25	32.5	48	78	55	80	59.25	58.05	69.75
Total	844.75	539.25	731	523.25	677.75	736.5	762.5	594.25	511	426	805.5	451.25	750.5	554.75	685.25	644.75	577.75	787	631.75	673.25	645.40	583.5

Green Gardening

Nancy Birtwhistle's book was published at the beginning of March and can now be bought at all good bookshops and online.

Going green in the garden has never been easier with Nancy Birtwhistle's sustainable, eco-friendly tips in her latest book - The Green Gardening Handbook - that will help you make the most of your space. And she tells the Bartonian how she came to put together in this book, her fourth in four years, after growing fruit and vegetables for more than 40 years.

A note about my latest book! - "The Green Gardening Handbook". I have to confess to you at this early stage that I have never been to horticultural college, joined a gardening class, entered a show or in fact have ever documented my garden and growing knowledge apart from a short chapter in my last book Green Living Made Easy.

I have however been growing fruit and vegetables for over forty years, and have even more distant memories as my first involvement in the garden was with my grandfather and that would be over sixty years ago now - crikey!

I have read lots and lots around the subject, after all there are encyclopaedias and volumes of books on the subject. I have gathered as much information as my head can process resulting in, I believe, a fairly sound understanding of the growing, harvesting and preserving of the food that I like that then keeps me stocked up for the best part of the year.

Collating the knowledge that I have gleaned over the years, I have done

my very best to write sensibly about how I grow my fruit, herbs and vegetables and a few (mostly edible) flowers. I discuss composting and how I plan my gardening year, what to do with gluts and add in a number of my favourite recipes plus tips on keeping your harvest for longer.

With the health of our precious planet in mind I endeavour to keep plants, containers, soil and greenhouses abundant and free from disease without having to resort to harmful chemical treatments, fertilisers, pesticides or insecticides. Let's Grow, Eat and Enjoy!



Calling all Barton Gardeners

Barton Open Gardens 2023
 11 - 4pm, Sat & Sun 24 & 25 June
 If you would like to open your garden and raise funds for charity please email, liz@the-ropewalk.co.uk

KAZUBA!

Following planning permission being granted last year and two successful funding bids Barton's Allotment Society is on the verge of being able to install a Kazuba waterless toilet on the plots.

The photograph gives an idea of how this will look.

It works basically on air flow. An extractor fan at the top of the chimney will draw air through the system which includes a tank in the ground under the structure, which separates waste. The unit is also heated by solar radiation which increases the air flow to dehydrate or evaporate the waste, reducing it by 90%. The air flow also kills pathogens and works to eliminate smells.

A group of plot holders went to visit a Kazuba installed two years ago on a community site in Hull, and were very impressed by what they saw and didn't smell. Thanks to the generous support of the North Lincolnshire Council's Community Grants scheme and a successful bid to the National Lottery Community Fund with the Society's own contribution and in kind labour the Society is just £500 short of the



total needed for the project. Fund raising efforts continue. Everything crossed for that last bit of funding needed! Meanwhile the start of the main sowing and planting season is upon us. Spuds can start going in in March, and summer cabbage, spinach, main crop broad beans, early carrots and peas. These may need protecting if the weather turns colder as it used to do in March quite often. Onions and shallots are

planted later in the month and there is plenty to do in the greenhouse or window sill with tomatoes, peppers, chillis and salad leaves all good options to sow indoors. Further tips and links to other sites for more information can be found on our website www.bartonallotments.org.uk Happy gardening, Neil Jacques secretary@bartonallotments@hotmail.com

Water's Edge Visitor Centre

The Centre is hopping into spring with its annual craft and gift fair that is taking place on Sunday May 7 and Monday May 8 opening from 10am to 4pm on both days.

There will be a variety of stalls selling handmade craft and gift items. You can even ask stallholders to commission pieces for you. Admission into the building is free. If you are interested in holding a stall, please email waters.edge@northlincs.gov.uk and we can send details across.

North Lincolnshire Morris Minor Owners Club is holding its annual Classic Car Show on the Bank Holiday Sunday. (May 7 from 10am to 4pm). Take a step back in time and delight in these classic motor cars including Morris Minor, MG, Triumph and Wolseley. Contact the Owners Club to show your car.



Time to get walking again!

With Spring on its way we start to think about getting out to walk in the beautiful English countryside again. But where to find new and interesting walks?

Walking in Lincolnshire www.walkinginengland.co.uk/lincs has loads of walks to download and print for free, as well as books of walks, details of all the walking groups in the county and much more. Whether you want to walk on your own or with a group all the information is there in one place.

"There is so much walking information on the web but it is difficult to find. Walking in Lincolnshire (part of the Walking in England website) has brought it together in one place so whether you are walking from home, or away on holiday, you will be able to find a walk suitable for you", said John Harris who maintains the website.

With walks from half a mile to 12 miles plus long, and a note of suitability for pushchairs and wheelchairs, everyone can find a walk to enjoy.

So, home or away, check out the websites and get walking!

John Harris
www.walkinginengland.co.uk
john@walkinginengland.co.uk

Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust

The Barton upon Humber Area group of the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust invites you to come and join us and learn more about our local area and the wildlife in it.

www.lincstrust.org.uk (Barton Area Group)

You do not have to be a member of the Trust to attend any of our events and it's free! For any information please contact Vernon Chapman or Maureen Douglass as below. Look forward to seeing you!

Saturday Field Trips 2023

March 18 9am Full Day Potteric Carr Potteric Carr is an area of low-lying land to the south east of Doncaster which forms the floodplain of the River Torne. The site is fabulous for birdwatching with marsh and water birds being particularly numerous. £4.50 fee for non-members of the YWT. Leader/Contact Details Alex Cawley 07722 555302

April 22 9am Full day Tophill Low Nature Reserve Tophill Low is an active Yorkshire Water treatment works built in 1959. It formally opened as a nature reserve in 1993 and features 12 hides spread across a 300 acre site that flanks the River Hull. £3.50 parking fee. Leader/Contact Details Vernon Chapman 01652 660957 or 07939 347373

May 20 9am Full day Rimac Rimac Nature Reserve is adjacent to the Saltfleetby-Theddlethorpe Dunes National Nature Reserve which stretches for eight kilometres along the north-east coast of Lincolnshire. In May we can expect to see dune flora as well as migrating birds. Leader/Contact Details Alex Cawley 07722 555302

Indoor meetings - Ness End Farm, Barton on Humber - 7.30pm start

March 15 "Wildlife of the Tees Valley" - Geoff Lee

April 19 "Developments on the Humber Bank" - Simon Wellock, Warden at Far Ings followed by a short AGM

Wednesday Wanders

May 17 7pm 2.5 hours bird song identification at Far Ings. A stroll around Far Ings identifying birds and their song. Leader/Contact Details Vernon Chapman 01652 660957 or 07939 347373 email vernonchapman2@gmail.com or mdouglass6@hotmail.com

SUNDAY 7 MAY
10AM - 4PM

TAKE A STEP BACK IN TIME AND JOIN THE NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE MORRIS MINOR OWNERS CLUB AND DELIGHT IN THE CLASSIC MOTOR CAR. SEE MORRIS MINOR, MG TRIUMPH AND WOLSELY. CONTACT OWNERS CLUB TO SHOW YOUR CAR

CLASSIC CAR SHOW

SPRING Craft & Gift Fair

Sunday 7th & Monday 8th May
 10am - 4pm

Browse the wide selection of stalls at our Spring craft and gift fair.

Find that unique gift for yourself, someone special or commission an extra special gift from one of the stallholders.

Supporting local businesses throughout the year brings life back into our community. Free Admission

Waters' Edge Visitor Centre, Malldin Road Barton upon Humber, DN18 5JR
 01652 631500 or email Waters.edge@northlincs.gov.uk
www.facebook.com/WatersEdgeCountryPark

Warm Spaces

Heating homes this year has been more expensive than ever so it is not surprising to learn that the various Warm Space initiatives in Barton have proved to be a resounding success.

At the Viking Centre on Fairfield Drive, the Winter Warmer Days have been a huge hit. Over the past few months the Centre has offered a range of free sessions every Tuesday and Wednesday from 1pm for local people to come along and join in with different activities include crafts, bingo sessions and much more – all while having access to free hot drinks and snacks. These sessions will continue for the foreseeable future so please do keep an eye out for anything you would be interested in.

A social tea is also run every Wednesday from 4.30pm (term time) at the Viking Centre which is a great opportunity for people to come

together and socialise while enjoying some hearty home cooked food. The Viking Centre is open to everyone and loves to welcome new people.

Right in the centre of town is the Trinity Methodist Church, well-known and loved by many, so it's the perfect spot for one of the "Warm Spaces" in Barton! The Living Later Life Well project is based here, running sessions throughout the week for people aged 60+ to socialise with other people and try new activities. Several of our sessions are 'drop-ins' and include a hot drink and biscuits, so please come along.

On Tuesdays, there is Chair-Based Exercise from 10.30am to 11.30am which includes refreshments after a

bit of exercise and a boogie to some classic tunes! Wednesdays are a busy day with a Coffee Morning from 10.30am to 12pm, and a Games Afternoon from 1.30pm to 2.30pm with table tennis and a selection of board games for you to play.

The last Friday of every month are Digital Drop-In afternoons from 1pm to 2pm where you can connect to WiFi and do your online shopping, banking, prescription ordering and much more with the support of our volunteers. Bring your own tablet, or use one of the project's – there's even a tablet loan scheme where you can borrow one for several weeks and use it at home, completely free of charge.

And every Saturday morning, Trinity Methodist Church hosts a Coffee Morning from 10am to 12pm with a monthly book sale.

St Mary's Church Hall hosts the recently launched North Lincolnshire's very own Food Club as part of Warm Spaces. The Zero Waste Cafe Pop-Up initiative is held during term time Mondays until the end of March.

This social community cafe offers a free family cooking event showing how to plan and make fresh, healthy and sustainably sourced meals from surplus and community donated ingredients. Since it started it has grown from one or two families to supporting and encouraging eight families at the last session before the February half term holidays - a



whopping 24 adults and children preparing, cooking, sharing and eating an amazing Spicy Surplus Curry together

The project has been so warmly received it has set monthly dates on a Monday for the rest of the year and would love you to join them! Donations are welcome for surplus food, equipment and help. Thanks to Barton Town Council for the start up phase, Co-op Warm Spaces Fund Boost and our supporters for your help with our Crowdfunder. Come and join the vegilante movement with us!

Upcoming dates include April 24, May 22, June 26, July 17, September 25, October 30, November 27 and December 18.

At The Ropewalk the Wednesday Film, Food and Craft Day is boosted by Tuesday afternoon's Warm Space thanks to funding from Barton Town Council, Barton Lions, Barton Rotary, Smith & Walker Optometrists, Unite, St. Matthews Lodge, Co-op Warm spaces boost and the public through Crowdfunder.

There are various crafts for you to come and try, live music for you to enjoy, or free hot drink and hot food if you just want to get out of the cold.

The Ropewalk's Warm Space is now attracting around 50 people a week and is open between 12.30pm and 4.30pm every Tuesday until April 4.



Things are buzzing at The Ropewalk!

With a full programme of films, theatre, music, comedy, exhibitions and workshops you would think that staff and volunteers would have enough to do but our popular events programme is also taking shape for 2023.



Plans are well underway for The Ropewalk Gardening Day May 21 which has become a must attend event in the Barton calendar. Last year 1200 people attended purchasing a lot of plants and an enormous amount of rhubarb grown by Barton Allotment holders.

After the success of the first Classic Car Day a second is planned for June 25.

Finally, although The Ropewalk is normally open Tuesday to Sunday, we will also be opening our doors on Bank Holiday Mondays at Easter and the three Mondays in May from 10am to 4pm. We look forward to welcoming you soon.

The Ropewalk Team.

The Zero Waste Cafe Pop-Up

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We have grown our little project from one or two families to supporting and encouraging 8 families within our last session before the February half term holidays. With a whopping 24 adults and children preparing, cooking, sharing and eating an amazing Spicy Surplus Curry together!

Our project has been so warmly received and we would love to continue on our project. We have set monthly dates for the rest of the year and would love you to join us! Come and join the vegilante movement with us!



- Upcoming dates include:
- Spring 2023
 - Monday 24th April
 - Monday 22nd May
 - Summer 2023
 - Monday 26th June
 - Monday 17th July
 - Autumn 2023
 - Monday 25th September
 - Monday 30th October
 - Monday 27th November
 - Winter 2023
 - Monday 18th December

Join our Team at Age UK Lindsey!



As an independent local charity, supporting older people for more than 30 years, our service delivery in East Lindsey, West Lindsey and North Lincolnshire relies heavily on the kindness of volunteers from across the region.

Their support helps to reduce loneliness and social isolation in older people, increase awareness of pension-age benefits, encourage and enable digital inclusion, improve well-being and raise vital funds through our shops. Volunteers really are at the heart of everything we do. Volunteering with Age UK Lindsey is a great way to meet new people, develop skills and feel positive about being part of your community. Time commitment can be as little as one hour per week, you'll receive regular newsletters about the charity, free training to support you in your role and hopefully develop a great sense of satisfaction. When asked why they chose to give their time to Age UK Lindsey, one volunteer responded: "I want to feel useful

and give something back to the local community. Anyone out there who wants to volunteer should do it. It gives you a wonderful feeling".

We currently have several opportunities in North Lincolnshire and specifically in the Barton area.

Befriending Volunteer - Be there to provide company for someone who may be feeling lonely or socially isolated. A visit to have a cup of tea, share memories or playing a game can make such a difference to an older person's life or even to have a chat over the telephone if that suits you better.

Digital Volunteer - help older people to become connected and build their confidence in using the internet, so they can keep in touch with family and friends, access GP appointments, listen to the news or maybe do online shopping. (No need to be a technical wizard - a good basic understanding of how digital devices work will be enough)

More information about the roles can be found by visiting our website www.ageuk.org.uk/lindsey or please do call 01507 524242 and ask for Lin Wood, Volunteer Coordinator if you would like to chat further, we would love to hear from you!

Make a difference - become a foster carer

North Lincolnshire Council

Make a difference

Become a foster carer

Virtual Information Event
WEDNESDAY
29 MARCH
6.30pm - 8pm
Register to attend:
qr.northlincs.gov.uk/AhHPPi

01724 297024 fostering@northlincs.gov.uk

Ofsted Outstanding Provider

Have you ever considered fostering? Becoming a foster carer can help make a huge difference to a local child's life - and yours.

Sometimes, for lots of different reasons, children and young people are unable to live with their birth families or relatives. It is the role of foster carers to help provide a safe and loving environment where these young individuals can thrive and grow.

Some children return to their families after a short time and others require long term foster care until they reach independence. Children in care have a variety of unique needs so training and support is provided

by our expert team every step of the way.

Leah, a care leaver shared her feelings towards being in care explaining: "Since being in care, I've been given the time and understanding to become the real me, more confident and comfortable in my own body...I want to go forwards and help more children like me, to give hope like my carers gave me."

As an Ofsted authority rated 'Outstanding' it is our job to find safe, suitable, and loving environments for young individuals to thrive in whilst they are in our care.

Foster carers come from all walks

of life and don't need any specific qualifications to help make a difference. If you are over the age of 21 with the room in your home and the time and love to give, our team want to hear from you.

If you've ever thought about fostering or interested to find out more, please get in touch via email, fostering@northlincs.gov.uk, call 01724 297000 or register to attend our next virtual information evening on our website: www.northlincs.gov.uk/fostering

Make a difference and become a foster carer with North Lincolnshire Council today.

Words and Pictures of Support



Martha Woodward (photograph, left) is a member of Barton's Creative Writing Group which meets in the town on the second Wednesday night of each month.

Over the last year, she took dramatic photographs before publishing them in a 2023 calendar which she sold for Ukrainian Relief. Martha is featured in the photograph, presenting the sum of £950 raised, and was supported at the traditional Christmas celebration of writers and poets at The Old Mill. Martha is now jointly

editing Mill Writers' forthcoming anthology featuring a wide variety of short stories from members who may be either established published writers or who enjoy writing purely for pleasure. Contact for either writing group is Monty at 07803504794 or frankiesatthirtyfive@gmail.com

Hope Explored

From Sunday, March 12 at 6pm Barton Evangelical Church will be running the Hope Explored course. The course is described like this on their website:

Hope Explored looks at the life, death and resurrection of Jesus in Luke's Gospel. This three-session series shows that Christianity is about real hope: a joyful expectation for the future, based on true events in the past, which changes everything about my present.

This course is for Christians and non-Christians alike. It will be held in our Church building on The Butchery, just off Market Place, and everyone in our community will be made welcome. During the evenings we will sing a couple of songs at the

start, watch and discuss a video, followed by a short message from our Pastor based on the theme of the course. Please don't rush off, we will have tea & coffee afterwards.

Please contact us via our Church website www.bartonec.org.uk if you have any questions.

We hope to see you there.



The Barton and District History Group Programme of Events for 2023

The Group has been in existence now for 14 years and its committee has produced more of the programme for 2023.

On March 29 Neil Wilkyn will enlighten us of "Laurence Wilkin's Memorandum Book 1714 - 1720". This is the 18th century farming diary of Samuel and Laurence Wilkin of Barrow on Humber. Theirs was a mixed farm with both crops and sheep and they farmed under the old 'open field' system.

Mervin Dove returns on April 26 with "A Barton Boyhood Remembered". Mervin will continue discussing his childhood and memories of the businesses that existed in Barton in those halcyon days.

On May 31 David Gibson will chat about "North Lincolnshire Airfields". We probably know of only one or two locally, but how many were there and how many still exist?

The summer month's visit has yet to be finalised, but it is possibly a visit to Elsham Wolds Aircraft Museum. Nigel Land will deliver his presentation on "Brian Peep's Legacy" on September 27. Brian is sadly missed by all of us with an interest in Barton's history. He was always happy to share his knowledge and his wonderful store of local books, documents and photographs. He was not a man to throw anything away and was given some unique material by such people as Hugh Varah, in the knowledge that it was in safe hands. He showed clearly how we should all value local history and ensure material is available for future generations.

There's an intriguing subject for Adam Parker's presentation on October 25 "Drainspotting: drains and the history beneath your feet."

All the meetings are on the last Wednesday of the month in St Mary's Church Hall on Burgate. They start at 7:30 pm with a break for tea and biscuits at around 8pm.

The Group is still asking for articles from anyone who has some knowledge of local history relating to Barton or one of the surrounding villages. We are happy to give assistance and advice on presentation for publication.

Examples of content are Medieval Housing in Barrow; Victorian Clog Makers of South Ferriby; At School in war-time Barton and Wharfs of the south bank of the Humber

For any additional information, please contact pjc@pccroton.karoo.co.uk.

Barton Community Band News Update!

The Band is delighted to once again be heading to Durham in March to compete in the Brass Bands England Regional Contest. The test piece for this year is Chorale and Toccata by Stephen Bulla and the band is working hard on perfecting this challenging piece of music.

There are lots of events already lined up for 2023 the band is looking forward to being able to perform and entertain you in our local community as well as at a couple of national events.

This year the band is fortunate to be able to work with the North Lincolnshire Council Fuelled Up project and will be offering sessions over the Easter holidays. These activity sessions take place on Tuesdays April 4 and 11 and Thursdays April 6 and 13 from 10am

to 2pm. Places for this will need to be booked via the North Lincolnshire Fuelled Up portal or by contacting the band directly (see contact details at the end).

As always, we are looking to grow the band with both adults and youth members and would welcome anyone who is interested whether you are a complete beginner with no experience to those who have previously played. In return we can offer a fun, safe and friendly environment for you to learn or build on your skills with lessons available for those that require them, or if you already have some experience, you may wish to join in with the ensemble sessions.

Our usual rehearsal nights are Tuesday and Thursday evenings at the Corn Exchange, Market Place,

Barton-upon-Humber from 7:30pm to 9:30pm.

If you are interested in supporting the band, there are other ways this can be done if you don't fancy playing. We are always looking for any kind donations, sponsorships or with assistance front of house at concerts, or you may wish to book us for an event that you are hosting yourself. For any further information or to chat with a member of the band, please contact our secretary, Stuart Ross by email @ secretary.bartoncommunityband@gmail.com or phone 07488 327053.

You can always keep an eye on where we are performing by checking out our website at www.bartoncommunityband.com or via our community page link on www.sbloggers.co.uk

Goxhill and Barrow Scout Group

As I write this article everyone is enjoying the half term holidays and it would appear that the arctic weather, we've experienced over the past months has gone and spring is on its way.

Fingers crossed it stays that way as it great to get outside with the young people rather than be cooped up in the Scout Hut.

We are still waiting for a decision on our planning permission, we had to undertake further work to complete a flood risk assessment to support our application, but I'm hopeful that by the end of March we will get the thumbs up from NLC.

In the meantime, we continue to work at raising the funds required for the rebuild project and have recently received donations from Barton Town Council, Barrow Parish Council and Ulceby Parish Council all of which are warmly welcomed.

Through the Rotary Club of Barrow Meridian, we have engaged the services of a consultant who will use her experience and knowledge in identifying funding streams to help us achieve our target of £186,000.

We have also been contacted by Pete Storey who is the landlord of the George Inn and has offered to nominate our Group as a recipient for the money he and his team raise each month for charity. If it's not too much of a cliché, cheers Pete, nice one!

Great news regarding my efforts to find a new Leader for our Explorer section. Following my last newsletter, I was contacted by Chris Harris from Barton who has now started the process of becoming a Warranted Leader in Scouting. As he has no previous experience of delivering scouting as a Leader, he is currently helping with the other sections whilst undertaking his mandatory training and gaining experience. Hopefully in a couple of months we will be in the position to re-open our Explorer section and welcome back young people 14 to 18 years old.

So, what have our young people been doing over the last few months? Beavers have been really busy making wooden fork rabbits for Chinese New Year, conducting various science experiments - very

exciting but very messy and getting some awareness of money matters including designing their own coins. Cubs have completed their International badge work with food tasting from around the world - interesting to see their reactions to some of the food offered. Organising their own games night under supervision of course and cooking lots and lots of pancakes.

Scouts We have been working on the Astronomy badge, learning all about the local night sky, identifying various constellations from maps whilst out for a night hike and building our own planetary model to scale using various fruits. The Scouts were also given locally shot pheasants and all had a go at butchering a carcass, making and cooking gougions from scratch.

We are always looking for new Warranted Leaders to come and join us, we would particularly like to see some more younger adults in our team. If you're interested, please contact me on my email: andyoliver789@outlook.com

Andy Oliver
Group Scout Leader

Hull and East Riding Arts Society

Celebrating its 55th Anniversary in 2023 is the Hull and East Riding Arts Society (ASHER) that meets 10 times a year with illustrated lectures on a diverse range of subjects.

Meetings take place on the third Tuesday of the month (apart from August and December at the Mercure Hotel in Willerby beginning at 10.45am with guests welcome to come for only £5.

Talks programmed this year include "The Triumph of Lutyen's New Delhi" by Anthony Peers on March 21, "The Artistic Alcotts (The Real Little Women)" by Elizabeth Merry on May 16, "Tutankhamun & The Splendours of Ancient Egypt" by Christopher Bradley on June 20 and "Venice: Warts and All" by Nirvana Romell on Oct 17.

As well as the monthly talks the Society also organises day visits to stately homes and gardens as well as supporting the Koestler Art project and sponsoring prizes for the Ferens Junior Open exhibition

More details about the Society can be found at <https://theartsocietyhullandeastriding.org.uk/> including the full lecture programme for 2023 as well as details of how to join. Membership costs £48 a year.



Barton Lions supports Message In A Bottle



get your free LIONS MESSAGE IN A BOTTLE IT COULD HELP SAVE YOUR LIFE



Barton Rotary Club

Barton Rotary Club would like to thank everyone who donated to its collection to help the survivors of the Earthquake in Turkey and Syria.

This will pay for one of many ShelterBoxes sent to the devastated towns in the area. The big plastic storage boxes contain a family size tent, warm blankets, a solar light, cooking equipment, a stove, water purification equipment, tools , plates and drinking mugs. Almost everything that a family needs.

Hundreds of tents have arrived in Turkey together with blankets and warm children clothing via Turkish Airlines within a few days of the disaster. Warm clothing for children was also being distributed in Syria.

Shelterbox started in 2000, created by a Rotary Club in Cornwall and now operates worldwide. Barton Rotary Club has supported their work since the earthquake in the Caribbean island of Haiti when Barton Rotary Club, schools and churches were able to pay for 14 boxes for the islanders.



Message In A Bottle is a free and simple idea which allows emergency information to be kept in a small plastic bottle which is easily and quickly found by the Emergency Services in an emergency.

Request a bottle from us, complete the form, add a copy of your latest prescription in the bottle and place the sticky labels provided by your front door and on your fridge.

This alerts the Emergency Services.

Barton upon Humber Civic Society Awards

Civic Society Good Marks have been awarded to three projects so far this year. Nigel Land Vice Chair of the society presented the awards in February.

The Old Mill received a Good Mark for restoration of the mill onion cap. Pictured is Gavin Barret, Senior Project Manager from Marston's being presented with Nigel Land.

A Good Mark was awarded for the recent renovation of the new Pepperell's branch to Nicola Carroll Pepperell's area branch manager and the branch staff.

The George Good Mark was for repainting of the exterior of the building was presented to Pete Storey.

Below: from Left to right - Nigel Land, Teresa Skinner, Charlotte Massey, Amy Thompson, Emma King, Sadie Brownlie & Jess Portas.



Above: Pete Storey receives his award Left: Gavin Barret, Senior Project Manager



Barton upon Humber Lions Club CIO

Barton upon Humber Lions Club CIO is part of Lions International, the largest service organisation in the world.

The Barton Club was Chartered in 1970 and since then members have raised and donated monies to a wide range of local and international causes. Many of you will have enjoyed its annual Beer Festival, Bonfire Night and Santa's Sleigh events and the Club continues to support local hospices, schools and sporting teams, in addition to helping and supporting a variety of other local causes and individuals.

well respected organisation championing worldwide causes, its members are dedicated to serving others, supporting our communities and actively working to improve the lives of everyone. Becoming a Lion gives you the opportunity to volunteer locally or internationally, to make new friends, help your community, to feel good doing something worthwhile and to have fun doing it!

In addition to holding its own events, the Club also supports other local groups and organisations with their events and helps with marshalling and providing catering facilities. Barton upon Humber Lions Club CIO is a local group of service-minded men and women volunteering to support our community and, as members of Lions Club International a global

If you would like more information, please contact us via Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/barton.lions> or email info@bartonlions.co.uk and make a difference.

American diner with a mission

If you have passed the former Queen's Club on Queen Street recently, you may have spotted some activity about the place. The club has been unused for many years; however, someone plans to breathe new life into it.

Neil King visited the Queen's to meet the new proprietor and find out what the plans are for the future of the building. "On the face of it, we are about to open an American Diner. In fact, it's much more than that," explained Dawn Barley. "My background is in health and social care and in particular youth work. The new venture is designed to engage and support young people in Barton."



The project is a collaboration between two social enterprises (organisations that trade like businesses but produce social gains rather than profits) - Community Ark CIC leases the building and Flourishing Families CIC owns the fittings and is operating the catering business. As well as being a family diner, "The Queen's" will be a community centre for young people. Unlike an informal youth club, the venture has a more structured purpose as Dawn explained. "Our aim is to bridge societal gaps that often exclude young people." She added, "We want to offer work experience, life-skills and encourage

volunteering. We want young people in Barton to gain qualifications and transferable skills that will help them get jobs." I asked Dawn how she intended to deliver these, and she replied, "Young people will be offered work experience in all roles in the diner; we intend to collect and donate furniture and offer help to young people who want to start a business. We will also offer business networking opportunities for local firms. Young people could get involved in offering luncheon clubs for older residents." I asked Dawn why she had added the furniture recycling activities. She said, "Siemens Engineering had housed overseas workers in 40 homes. As tenancies ended,



they disposed of the almost new furniture. To add an environmental aspect to our work, we decided to take it on and put it to good use. We are also hoping to establish a family support unit and will use some of the furniture through that." I was interested in knowing more about the American Diner. Dawn told me, "We believe the diner concept will be popular with families and young people. The restaurant design resulted from working with young people, who were involved in the decoration and refurbishment." **And the food on offer?** "We are going for the typical American diner menu - high-quality smash burgers, loaded fries, and milkshakes will all be on the menu." Finally, I asked when the new venture would start. "We are busy working on the kitchens and a back room that will be a lounge with TVs and games, and as soon as that is complete, we will open the doors," Dawn said. **Neil King**

Spring cleaning time at The Ted Lewis Centre

The Centre volunteers have spent the last few months not only spring cleaning but preparing for Museum Accreditation from the Arts Council but are now resuming normal Sunday walk-in opening hours of 10.00 to 16.00.

We provide knowledgeable reception guides to ensure visitors have a rewarding and interesting experience. Specially booked visits on other days have now become increasingly popular as fans of Ted Lewis's writing and his iconic film, Get Carter, arrive in Barton from all over the country to view our unique collection of books, artefacts, films and re-enactment of scenes from Lewis's exciting novels.



We have not been neglecting other outreach, however, for in February, the Centre's rearranged jazz Get Carter Theme was performed at Southport Jazz Festival. The Wendy Kirkland Band with Dennis Rollins, MBE will again be performing it in Nottingham on 6th April. On 2nd April, we are engaged by Louth Riverhead Theatre to present their Get Carter night when we will emphasise the film's Barton and Scunthorpe roots. Back in Barton, Ted Lewis's talents and art will be featured in the Civic Society presentation 'Local Heroes' at Joseph Wright Hall on Friday 17th March at 7.30 pm.

part of the Gateshead Trinity Car Park where Cliff Brumby met his end. Do you have any item you could offer us? Do you have a story to tell? We'd love to hear from you.

The Centre is proud that Barton is the only home commemorating Ted, his iconic films, novels, art and music. So how about checking in down Ferryby Road to discover this important part of the town's heritage and maybe purchase one of those gripping novels? If in doubt try the virtual tour taster on YouTube on www.thetedlewiscentre.org

died recently aged 90. Lewis also managed animation on The Beatles' film, Yellow Submarine and this is also featured. There are now new facilities for supervised photographs of visitors with the very chair Michael Caine used on the set of Get Carter in 1970. What a unique souvenir.

Our freshly restocked souvenir shop and bookstore includes tee shirts, Ted Lewis prints of Bygone Barton, commemoration mugs, bookmarks, jazz recording and, of course, Ted Lewis's 8 published novels and biographies of his colourful life. We are now part of Cycle Lincolnshire and welcome bikers breaking long or short journeys or making the Centre a unique destination.



Finally, there are still opportunities for volunteering at the Centre to help extend and improve our service. Particularly we would welcome hearing from a book keeper prepared to help our friendly team and offer, say half an hour a week to keep simple computer records. If you enjoy meeting people and could help others enjoy their visiting experiences or have specialised skills, please contact us. No prior knowledge is necessary, for we provide full and enjoyable training on site. We would love to



hear from you so please contact Monty at the Centre on 01652 635366 or 017803504794. You can also make enquires at business@thetedlewiscentre.org or message us off the Facebook page Ted Lewis (Get Carter) Group.

We strive to ensure Barton can proudly celebrate Ted Lewis's life in his home town.

Local company scoops awards

It's always good to hear that local companies are enjoying success and one local business seems to be doing exceptionally well.

Roller Door UK, based on Falklands Way, in Barton upon Humber just can't seem to stop winning awards. Established in 2014, Roller Door UK specialises in the manufacture of made-to-measure insulated roller garage doors in the Yorkshire and Lincolnshire regions.

In the last 12 months, the company has won the Northern Enterprise Award and the Prestige Awards for Door Manufacturing Specialists of the Year. With experienced Directors, John Eccles and Helen Eccles at the helm, all the staff members at Roller Door UK pride themselves on their work, product knowledge, and providing a friendly customer service that is second to none.

Having worked within the industry for more than 27 years as both an engineer and an installer, John certainly knows his stuff. Roller Door UK gained recognition in the SME News Northern Enterprise Awards 2022 for its commitment and dedication, being crowned with the prestigious title of Most Trusted Garage Doors Supply & Installation Company - Yorkshire & Lincolnshire. The judges said "This team of experts always have their door open for customers who need advice and recommendations about the best and most appropriate products for their circumstances. They offer the most competitive prices locally for the installation of up and over, sectional doors and electric roller doors."

High praise indeed and it doesn't stop there. The judges of the Door Manufacturing Specialists of the Year also praised the customer-first approach adopted at Roller Door UK.




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FOLKLINCS: Creative Achiever of the Year

FOLKLINCS is an organisation that aims to "keep tradition alive" with the music and culture of our area. This year it won North Lincolnshire Council's Creative Achiever of the Year Award and the group was extremely proud to accept this.



Keeping Tradition Alive
By celebrating and preserving the music, song and dance traditions of our area

Saturday Music Workshops
Instrumental classes in traditional music for all ages
Folk Ensemble / Folk Song / Folk Fiddle
Accordian / Irish Drum / Guitar / Melodeon
Concertina / Penny Whistle / Banjo
Workshops for beginners and improvers
info@folklincs.com www.folklincs.com

Beginner Tune Session
Learn a repertoire of traditional tunes to play in a music session
All music taught by ear with music provided for practice purposes
All ages welcome - some basic ability to play needed
Every 3rd Sunday - 1pm to 3pm (Except August)
info@folklincs.com www.folklincs.com

The FolklinCS Acoustic Music Club
All ages welcome
EVERY FIRST MONDAY IN THE MONTH (Except August)
Doors open 7.30pm
info@folklincs.com www.folklincs.com

All workshops at the Ropery Hall, The Ropewalk, Maltkin Road, Barton Upon Humber, North Lincolnshire, DN18 5JT
Telephone 01652 660380 · www.roperyhall.co.uk

FolklinCS has run the North Lincolnshire Youth Folk Ensemble in Scunthorpe for about five years, produced a folk map which details the traditional singers and collectors of this area and an album of local songs that were collected from singers in our area over the past couple of hundred years.

are for beginners and improvers and adults and children. Our tutors are experts on their instruments and experienced teachers. All are DBS checked.

Every first Monday in the month from 8pm onwards we run an Acoustic Folk Club in the bar at Ropery Hall. If you know a song or two you can come and sing in a friendly atmosphere (it doesn't have to be traditional) or you can just come and listen. There is often a booked band or singer as well as the floor singers and performers.

On the third Sunday of the month, also in the Ropery Hall bar, there is a "slow session" for anyone who plays an instrument, but wants to learn some traditional folk tunes in a friendly environment. All tunes are taught by ear and music is given after. The group's latest venture is a Pop

up Ceilidh where any one can come and call a dance, play in the band or dance the night away. Our last one was on December 30 last year Ropery Hall and was a sell out. The next one is on April 21, again at Ropery Hall.

So if you or your child is interested in learning an instrument or just wants to find out more about FolklinCS why not come along to our Open Day on April 22 or email FolklinCS at info@folklincs.com or have a look at the website on www.folklincs.com or check us out on FB.

There is a youth ensemble where anyone under 18 years old who plays an instrument can join in. All classes

Bartonian What's On

The Barton Carnival returns to Baysgarth Park on the 17th and 18th June this year and plans are well underway to bring a fun filled action packed weekend to Barton.

Already booked we have Pedal Vs Parkour in the arena on Saturday 17th and a fantastic birds of prey show to accompany the Dog show on Sunday 18th. Free activities already booked in for the full weekend include a Silent disco, Westfield Alpacas, Battery powered Go Karts as well as lots of live performances throughout. Tickets are now on sale for the afterparty which promises musical highlights from the 90's until present, for more information check out our Facebook page www.facebook.com/bartoncarnival



Saturday & Sunday March 11/12 Polymer Clay Earring Workshop

Waters' Edge Visitor Centre
10:30am -12:30pm and 1:30 -3:30pm
£25 per person, tickets bookable online (bookwhen.com/raineandmoostudio)
Expect to make 3+ pairs of earrings
All materials and tools are provided

Sunday 12th March & Sunday 16th April Campervan Meet up.

Waters' Edge Visitor Car Park
Entry is free, for both van owners and visitors

Friday March 17 Comedy: Sally-Ann Hayward

Ropery Hall, The Ropewalk 8pm
£14 in advance £16 on the door
Comedian recently supported Sarah Millican on her national tour

Wednesday March 22 Film: The Woman King

Ropery Hall, The Ropewalk 7.30pm
£4 on the door
A historical epic inspired by true events that took place in the Kingdom of Dahomey, one of the most powerful states of Africa in the 18th and 19 centuries.
Stars Viola Davis

Saturday 25th March Bee and Flower Art Class

Waters' Edge Visitor Centre
10.30am - 3pm
£28 Per Person

Sunday 26th March Barton Muse Poetry Group

The Ted Lewis Centre 6.45 for 7 pm.
Come read, compose, listen and enjoy.
£2 and bring your own drinks if you wish

Tuesday March 28 Spring Dayze Inense Making Workshop

Waters' Edge Visitor Centre
10.30am - 12.30 and 1pm - 3pm
£20 Per Person
Book through Purple Hayze
Alternative gifts Facebook Page

Wednesday March 29 Film: Emily

Ropery Hall, The Ropewalk
7.30pm
£4 on the door
One of the world's most famous, enigmatic and provocative writers
Emily Bronte who died too soon at the age of 30.

Saturday April 1 Barton Market

Market Place 8.30am - 2pm
A range of craft and fresh produce stalls
Free

Sunday 2nd April The refurbished Ted Lewis Centre re-opens to walk in visitors.

10 am to 4 pm
"How Beatles Yellow Submarine Was Made"

Monday 3rd April Children's Pottery Fish Workshop

Waters' Edge Visitor Centre
10.30am - 12noon
£16 Per Child

Wednesday 5th April Make a mosaic Easter Egg

Waters' Edge Visitor Centre
10.30am - 11.30am
£13 per person

Wednesday 12th April Mill Creative Writing Group.

The Ted Lewis Centre, 6.45 pm to 9.30 pm.
Why not come along and listen or bring your own short story of no more than 2000 words on the subject of 'Mask'

Friday 28th April Willow Sunflower With Twigs and Sprigs

Waters' Edge Visitor Centre
10am - 12 & 1pm - 3pm
£30 per person

Saturday 29th April - Monday 1st May Village Art Exhibition

Waters' Edge Visitor Centre
10am - 4pm
Free Admission
Artwork available to purchase.

Saturday May 6 Barton Market

Market Place 8.30am - 2pm
A range of craft and fresh produce stalls. Street entertainment and music.
Free

Saturday May 6 Kings Coronation Fun Run

Baysgarth Park
Organised by the Barton & District Athletics Club.

Sunday 7th May Classic Car Show (North Lincolnshire Morris Minor Owners club)

Waters' Edge Visitor Centre
10am - 4pm
Free Admission

Regular Activities

Sunday Barton upon Humber Armed Forces and Veterans Breakfast club.

Held on the 1st Sunday each month 09:30 to Noon at the Barton Town Cricket Club, Marsh Lane.

Monday Pilates

Trinity Methodist Church, Holydyke
10.30am - 11.30am
£2.00 suggested donation
Enjoy an hour of Pilates exercises, led by instructor Stef. Build your fitness, improve your posture and release tension, for people aged 60+, as part of the Living Later Life Well project. Booking is essential.
Jo Marwood, 07821 900623, jo.marwood.bartontrinity@outlook.com

Tuesday Warm Space

12.30 - 4.30pm The Estuary Room, The Ropewalk
Free
All welcome for Craft, activities, light refreshments and music

Wednesday Film, Food and Craft

10.30 am to 3.30pm
Ropery Hall, The Ropewalk
£5
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Wednesday Coffee Morning

Trinity Methodist Church, Holydyke
10.30am - 12.00pm
Free
Come and enjoy a cuppa, have a chat and make new friends at our weekly coffee morning for people aged 60+, as part of the Living Later Life Well project.
Jo Marwood, 07821 900623, jo.marwood.bartontrinity@outlook.com

Wednesday Games Afternoon

Trinity Methodist Church, Holydyke
1.30pm - 2.30pm
Table tennis and a range of board games, plus refreshments, for people aged 60+, as part of the Living Later Life Well project. No need to book, just turn up!
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Zero Waste Café Food Club

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Term Time only on Monday's 4pm - 6.30pm

Monday 6th March
Monday 13th March
Monday 20th March
Monday 27th March



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A Word from the Mayor

My Mayoral term is now more than half way through and I have had the opportunity to represent the town at many events and meet so many people. It's certainly reassuring to know how many groups are out there for residents to join. For the residents already attending these groups and organisations it is clear to see how much enjoyment these groups bring to people. I continue to raise money for my Mayoral Charities. This year I am raising funds for GEO (Get Emotions Out) and Barton Town Cricket Club. Thank you for everyone who has donated already, it is greatly appreciated. I'm looking forward to my upcoming engagements and I hope to meet many people over the coming months.

Councillor Paul Vickers

Your Councillors at a glance

Councillor Alvin Chapman
Cllr Chapman is a member of the Planning, Environment and Community Committees.



Councillor Nigel Pinchbeck
Cllr Pinchbeck is the Chairman of the Planning Committee and a member of the Community, Environment and Finance & General Purposes Committees.

Councillor Liz Bennet
Cllr Bennet is a member of the Planning Committee.



Councillor Carol Thornton
Cllr Thornton is a member of the Planning and Environment Committees.

Councillor Jonathan Evison



Councillor Alan Todd
Cllr Todd is the Vice Chairman of the Community Committee and a member of the Finance & General Purposes Committee.

Councillor Soozy Evison
Cllr Evison is a member of the Environment and Finance & General Purposes Committees.



Councillor Ben Troop
Cllr Troop is the Chairman of the Community Committee and a member of the Environment and Finance & General Purposes Committees.

Councillor Neil Jacques
Cllr Jacques is the Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee, Chairman of the Environment Committee and a member of the Community Committee.



Councillor Paul Vickers
Cllr Vickers is currently Barton Upon Humber Town Council's Mayor, Chairman of the Finance & General Purposes Committee and is a Member of the Community Committee.

Councillor Christine Patterson
Cllr Patterson is a member of Planning, Community and Finance & General Purposes Committees.



Councillor Keith Vickers
Cllr Vickers is currently Barton Upon Humber Town Council's Deputy Mayor and is a member of the Planning and Finance & General Purposes Committees.

Finance & General Purposes

Barton Upon Humber Town Council has had another good year delivering on its commitments for Barton.

We had been able to draw down grant money from North Lincolnshire Council for the Jubilee Celebrations and the Winter and Spring in Bloom grants which helped make finances stretch that little bit further. We have now taken over the responsibility for the monthly market located in the Market Place which is going well.

I am pleased the Town Council has been able to freeze the precept for 2023/24 while still being able to offer value for money in these challenging times.

We will be delivering another programme of exciting events throughout the coming year. The return of family favourites such as the Christmas Festival and Picnic in the Park is great news as I know these events are well attended. We are in the early stages of making arrangements to celebrate the King's Coronation.

A local contractor Mark Nettleton has been awarded the grass cutting contract for the next three years. We have also increased the Community Grant Pot. If you are involved in a community group and would like to know more about this opportunity, please contact the Town Council for an application form and further information.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Town Clerk and the staff who work hard throughout the year and have produced a balanced budget for the year ahead. Finally, I would like to thank my fellow councillors who have contributed many voluntary hours to continue to make Barton a better place to live and work.

Councillor Paul Vickers
Chairman of Finance & General Purposes Committee

Planning

The Planning Committee scrutinises every planning application for Barton Upon Humber.

The committee meets every three weeks, all year round, which enables comments to be submitted to North Lincolnshire Council within the consultation period for each application. The number of applications on each agenda ranged from two to 12, and each one includes many documents and plans which need to be read carefully to be able to consider the application responsibly. The applications range from large housing developments or infill for smaller numbers of houses, to small extensions to properties and tree felling or pruning. All are carefully considered and the committee makes its views known as your local representatives to North Lincolnshire who are the Planning Authority. The Planning Authority makes the final decision on whether applications are successful but take Barton Upon Humber Town Council Planning Committees views into account as one of the statutory consultees in the planning process. By the end of this year the committee will have considered nearly 90 planning applications, down a bit from the 100 last year. This does reflect that Barton Upon Humber as the second largest town receives more than other towns and parishes in the area other than Scunthorpe.

Councillor Neil Jacques
Vice Chair of Planning Committee

Environment

It has been a busy year for the Environment Committee with good progress being made on several long-term projects.

Funding was identified to pay for the testing of lampposts in the town centre to see if they are sound enough to take the weight of the "up the pole" planters which will hopefully replace the hanging baskets this summer. Results should be with us by the time of the annual meeting. Two new four tier planters were installed in Junction Square and on Fleetgate. These received favourable comments from the judges in the Best Kept Town Competition where the town came in third place. Further improvements will hopefully improve this score this year. The Council has also received funding from North Lincolnshire Council to tidy up and replant the roundabout on Ferryby Road with the junction of Forkedale and Fezvin Drive. The project to completely revamp the Finger Post signs around the town has received a welcome boost from North Lincolnshire Council with their offer to fund replacing all the existing finger posts. In consultation with the Tourism Partnership a new design has been selected and as soon as the new wording can be agreed on all the signs work can start in the new financial year.

A different approach has been taken from the usual daffodil planting this year, and spring flowering bulbs such as blue bell, wood anemone and wild garlic were planted at various locations around the town. Thanks are due to other committee members, the Barton Lions and Friends of Barton Parks and other volunteers for helping with this work, and to the Barton Lions for their generous funding. Crocus were planted at the station by the Lions.

The Council also held the usual Hanging Basket Competition this year, but again took a different approach. Instead of inviting people to enter, the volunteer Bartonian deliverers were asked to keep an eye open for good baskets while doing their rounds. All these 60 were then judged to produce a short list from which the winners were chosen. Thanks are due to the Barton Lions and Barton Civic Society for helping with the judging. Congratulations to Wendy Altoft, Sarah Evans and The George who were worthy winners. This approach to the competition will be used again this year, so get those baskets ready for early July!

A good proportion of the work of the committee is behind the scenes, preparation of specifications and contracts for work such as grass cutting and planting and maintaining the planters around the town. Focus is being made on specifying pollinator friendly plants and peat free compost as part of the commitment to improving local eco-systems and reducing our carbon footprint. Grass cutting costs have increased as to be expected, but are still within the devolved funding from North Lincolnshire Council for this work.

Work will begin on updating the Town Council's Emergency Plan. Finally it remains for me to thank the other Committee members and office staff for all their hard work in making these initiatives happen.

Councillor Neil Jacques
Chair of Environment Committee

Community

It has been a welcome return to normality over the last year with the return of events that had been sorely missed.

The weather was beautiful for the Picnic in the Park last August and saw a great turnout for a fun summer Sunday.

The Christmas Festival also returned for the first time in three years in November and the committee worked hard to pack as much entertainment in as possible as well as adding additional Christmas light upgrades. Again we saw a fantastic attendance as the public showed us how much these events have been missed for the last few years.

This year we have also added to the events calendar with the town's monthly market, taking place on the first Saturday of the month in the Market Place, really picking up.

We are now regularly getting around 30 stalls booking in selling a variety of goods and

helping to bring footfall into the town centre.

The Community Committee also continues to work with Barton Tourism Partnership to produce bi-monthly editions of the Bartonian that go out to every household in the town. I am very proud that this partnership has doubled the number of issues keeping everyone updated on what is happening in Barton.

I would like to thank members of the Committee that support the work we do as well as the Staff in the office that work really hard to pull it all together, which I know can be a very difficult job.

Councillor Ben Troop
Chairman of Community Committee



The Neighbourhood Plan

The Neighbourhood Steering Group and volunteers have continued to make good progress over the past year.

The Design Code work will be completed shortly and following feedback from North Lincolnshire Council it will be ready for the statutory six week public consultation period. We plan to hold this consultation over the summer and look forward to feedback from as many people as possible.

The Heritage work continues and will also be completed shortly thanks to the hard work of many volunteers.

I wish to thank everyone involved with the Neighbourhood Plan for all their hard work, not forgetting those members of the public who have already provide feedback to our earlier consultations.

Mrs Veronica Pettifer
Chairman



Councillors Meeting Attendance 2022/23 Information:

Table with columns for Cllr Name, Full Council, Planning, Environment, Community, and F&GP, and rows for individual councillors and committees. Includes attendance status (A, T, X) for various dates throughout the year.

The coloured areas indicate Councillors are on the committee

A - Apologies were given for the meeting
T - Councillor attended on Teams
X - Did not attend the meeting
Mayor - Cllr P Vickers
Deputy Mayor - Cllr K Vickers
Chair of Planning - Cllr N Pinchbeck
Chair of Environment - Cllr N Jacques
Chair of Community - Cllr B Troop
Chair of Finance & General Purposes (F&GP) - Cllr P Vickers

Annual accounts 2022/23

Barton Upon Humber Town Council accounts are subject to External and Internal Audit.

Residents are given the opportunity to inspect the accounts every year once they have been approved by the Full Council and submitted to the External Auditor. This public notice will be clearly displayed on the notice boards and the website and social media areas around June/July each year.

The Council have had a really productive year in the roll out of additional services to the community and this is ongoing at present. This includes both environmental and community related projects. To make this happen the

council have been really focused on making savings wherever possible to facilitate other projects. This has included the safety testing of the lamp posts, additional market gazebos, a Royal Jubilee event and supporting the Bartonian publication. There are ongoing savings within the core of the council with a strive to become single use plastic free within the authority and the council is already looking at innovative resources to facilitate this.

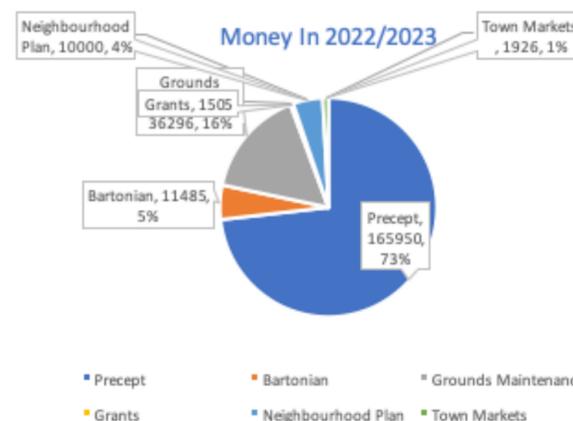
Tracey Davis
Town Clerk/RFO Barton Upon Humber Town Council

Grants Awarded

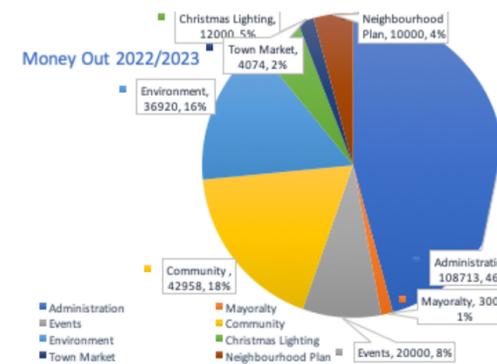
In 2022/23 the council has supported:

- South Bank Singers - £550.00
Barton Allotment Society - £50.00
Barton Tourism Partnership - £6000
Barton Bowls Club - £870.00
Friends of Barton Parks - £10000
Barton Arts - £2500
Barton Carnival - £2000
Barton Bike Night - £2500.00
Barton Lions - £2000
Warm Spaces Grant The Ropewalk - £1096
Warm Spaces Grant Slow Circular Earth - £1000
Barton Armed Forces & Veterans - £250.00

Where does the funding come from?



Where does the money go to?



It has been great pleasure to award all of the grants shown. There has also been many donations made to community groups who have continued to the community events over the year which really adds fantastic community spirit to the whole town.

- Town Bus Grant £1739.11
Barton Public Conveniences £2352
Maintenance of Town Clock £204.80

Barton Upon Humber Town Council gives funding each year to North Lincolnshire Council to support the running of the Town Bus and for Public Conveniences in the town to be open at a weekend:

Any requests for grant funding from Barton Upon Humber Town Council must be made by completing the Town Council Grant Application form. Details can be requested from the Council Office via email: info@bartonuponhumbertowncouncil.gov.uk

Town Council Staff



Tracey Davis
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Barton Town Football Club



Barton Town Football Club is looking at a busy final few months of the season. With the adverse weather conditions now taking their toll, the club is playing every Saturday and Tuesday up until the end of the season.

The Swans played twice in January, with the first game being away at Garforth Town. The hosts ran into a two-goal lead in as many minutes through goals from Sam Barker and Charlie Marshall. Tom Waudby pulled one back before half time. Jamie Barkway added a third for Garforth before Ben Hinchliffe pulled one back to set up a tense finish. However the Swans went home empty handed. The second game in January was a home tie against Hemsworth Miners Welfare. Fraser Pappriil, Hinchliffe and Sam Cable scoring for the Swans in a 3-1 win.

February saw the club playing seven times in four weeks. The first game was a 1-1 draw at Frickley Athletic. Cable cancelling out a Alhassane Keita opener. The Swans then welcomed bottom side Yorkshire Amateur to Barton. A brace for Hinchliffe and a Pappriil goal sealed the 3-0 win for the Swans. Next was an away trip to Albion, which saw drama. Tom Waudby scored first, before Robbie Fox scored in second half stoppage time for the hosts. 30 seconds later Harrison Coley scored for Barton, a hard earned 2-1 win for the Swans.

Next were two local derbies against Winterton and Bottesford. Winterton sealed a 2-0 win at West Street. Martin Pembleton and Josh Walker scoring for Rangers in a badly tempered game. Then Tom Waudby and Henry Cook scored in a 2-2 draw with Bottesford to seal a point from a possible six against Lincolnshire opponents.

The annual end of season Sportsman's Dinner is soon approaching, and this year we have ex-Liverpool, Watford and England international John Barnes coming to the Mercure Hotel in Willerby. If you're interested in coming, please get in touch with our Chairman on 07748062622.

- Home Fixtures**
- Tues 14 March - vs Silsden AFC**
Kick Off: 8:00pm
 - Sat 18 March - vs Thackley**
Kick Off: 3:00pm
 - Tues 28 March - vs Emley AFC**
Kick Off: 7:45pm
 - Sat 1 April - vs Golcar United**
Kick Off: 3:00pm
- Admission Prices: Adults £6 |
Concessions £4 | Under 18's £3 |
Under 5's FREE



We also provide an offer - The Perfect Ten. For just £10 you receive admission, a programme, as well as a £3 Bar and £3 Food tokens., making you a fantastic saving. Please note that the above fixtures are subject to change, be sure to

check our club website for the most accurate and up to date fixtures - www.bartontownfc.co.uk. While we are primarily a football club, we also host parties and events. The AP Robinson Sports Bar is always available for hire for your

event. Please get in touch with our Venue Manager Sophia via email at sophia@bartontownfc.co.uk.

Barton Park Bowls Club



More than 40 members and partners (some shown in the photo), enjoyed our annual dinner/presentation night held at The Haven Inn, with a quiz, raffle, and a "Play Your Cards Right" game, adding to the fun filled evening prior to the presentation of the cups/trophies.

The Winter/Spring green maintenance continues apace, with the current mild conditions allowing the "Hardy Volunteer Team" to keep to the programme of work to allow the green to reopen for playing from mid-April. Fingers crossed, and with continuing good weather, pre-season training, (which includes trying to remember names and what to do again), should begin in time. So, not long now folks!

coming season, we compete in five different leagues, so allowing players of all abilities to play competitively, if they so wish. Our "come and have a go roll-ups" are open to the general public, and further details of times and days will be given in the next edition of The Bartonian, as well as our Facebook page. The Club committee continues to search for any fund raising opportunities, and to this end a Race Night will be held on Friday April 21. More details to follow on our Facebook page.

We do have the nickname "The Friendly Club", so if you're out and about in Baysgarth Park, and see any activity on the green, pop over for a chat, we don't bite, and it could be the start of something new! You can also contact our Secretary, Ian Papworth via our email address on bartonparkbowls@gmail.com

King's Coronation to be marked by Park Run

Barton & District Athletics Club (ADAC) will be organising a Park Run event on Coronation Day, May 6, in Baysgarth Park to celebrate the King's Coronation.



Barton Brigg Road Bowls Club

We're ready. Where are you? Come and join us. For £30 membership you can play every day: On your own for a practice, a friendly game with others or a match. Your choice - what a bargain!!! Also a lovely environment with fresh air, exercise and making new friends. All ages are welcome. We begin in the middle of April - check it out on Facebook, our gate on Park Avenue Barton or email jillbowling@talktalk.net



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A busy year for Barton's Police and Crime Commissioner

This time last year, Neil King interviewed Barton resident Jonathan Evison when he was appointed Police and Crime Commissioner. New to the job, Jonathan told us about his plans and how he intended to get the best from Humberside Police.



Well, 12 months have elapsed, so Neil thought it was time to catch up with the Police and Crime Commissioner to see how things are progressing.

"I set a target to bring in £4 million of additional funding over this year and the next two years. We have already reached £1.98m, which will support policing and address issues affecting communities", Jonathan told Neil.

"The police have also recovered funds from criminal activity, through drugs confiscation and property disposal totalling around £200k. I will invest it into catching offenders - using their cash to catch more criminals".

"Additional officers have entered the force, and more continue to arrive. Force police officer strength now stands at a 10-year high of over 2,200, which will continue to increase during 2023," he added.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

In our first interview, the Police and Crime Commissioner told the Bartonian he was keen to involve the public, so how has that gone?

"My Police and Crime Plan survey achieved nearly double the response numbers in previous years. We continue to grow this through initiatives like My Community Alert, which over 50,000 people have signed up to".

"More volunteers have also been recruited to help my office support and scrutinise the police and broader stakeholder groups. Over 50 people are now working with us as volunteers".

CAMPAIGNS

Last year you told us you had some new ideas to help reduce crime. Have you been able to get any off the ground?

"We have embarked on campaigns ranging from fraud awareness, drugs, domestic abuse, and violence against women and girls. We have commissioned help and support services for veterans and young people. We have also begun education initiatives and a range of other interventions to promote safer communities, youth diversion, and help and support for victims."

I asked Jonathan about how the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner worked with community groups and he told me: "One of my main initiatives was to start the Community Safety Fund. This offers grants toward the costs of crime reduction and community safety projects and provides support

for victims of crime. It is designed to kick-start local projects that will cut crime and anti-social behaviour and improve residents' feelings of safety".

He added: "The fund can provide grants of between £500 and £35,000 and is open to non-profit organisations, charities, community groups and social enterprises together with Town and Parish Councils. A total of £1.1m has been allocated to the fund until March 2025".

Clearly, the Police and Crime Commissioner has developed a role over and above simply scrutinising the force.

I asked if there were any other initiatives we should be keeping an eye on?

Jonathan told me that there are a lot of new things happening that he hopes will help to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour, including:

- Sports programmes and other positive activities to prevent young people from being drawn into crime.
- Proactive engagement with young people where they gather in groups to signpost them to support and positive activities.
- Mental health support aimed at children and young people displaying disruptive and risky behaviours, to avoid them escalating.
- Targeted campaigns to raise public awareness of issues linked to serious violence.
- Training for delivery partners to

ensure their activities are trauma-informed and do not re-traumatise young people who have had previous adverse experiences.

- Social skills training for children of primary school age to encourage positive behavioural outcomes.
- Programmes for young people on the verge of entering the criminal justice system who require intensive support to change their harmful behaviours.

A lot of this work will be carried out by the new Humber Violence Prevention Partnership, chaired by the Police and Crime Commissioner. It has been funded by a £3.5m investment from the Home Office. It brings together the police, council authorities, probation service, public health and other partners to work together to examine the root causes of violence and tackle the problems which cause it.

It's good to see that Humberside Police are trying to tackle crime by working with the community, and it seems to be working. Humberside Police has been awarded the highest grade of any UK Police Force by His Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire and Rescue Services (HMICFRS) following its latest inspection. A total of six outstanding grades and two good grades were awarded across the key pillars, the most outstanding grades given to any force to date.

On a more local level, I asked Jonathan what difference Barton residents can expect to see in the future.

"This year, the Chief Constable plans to re-introduce a 24-hour police response team of 11 officers into Brigg, which will improve response times in Barton as officers will not be pulled away to cover other areas", he revealed. The uplift of police officer numbers will continue over the next year, which is good news for everyone as the force plan to increase the number of dedicated community officers and maintain the current number of PCSOs too.

"There are 71 officers in training now and a further 75 to start in March, including some extra officers for roads policing to tackle dangerous driving, illegal and uninsured drivers that is leading to death and serious injury across the whole region. More resources will also be put into detectives for CID and teams dealing with domestic abuse offences.

"Operation Yellowfin developed to combat the anti-social use of motorcycles, has improved its task force with four new trails bikes and eight trained officers to combat nuisance motorcycles used off-road and in crime around the estuary.

"It's also recognised that our rural communities want an increase in dedicated officers, so there will be more deployment into the Rural Task Force from the police, and funding from my Community Safety Fund has been put into North Lincolnshire Country Watch for security cameras to protect rural locations vulnerable to crime".

E-Scooters and the law

E-scooters or electronic scooters are becoming a popular form of green transport and can be bought cheaply from the internet and increasingly from High Street retailers too. But some Barton residents are raising concerns about their use especially in relation to being used in an anti-social manner.

Safer Roads Humber is actively raising awareness of the laws surrounding e-scooters via a number of channels. This includes engagement activities at hot spot locations, presentations in schools and colleges, social media posts, press releases and targeted advertising.

Using an e-scooter on public roads, pathways and cycle lanes is illegal. A privately owned e-scooter can ONLY be used on private land, which the public does not have access to, with the landowner's permission. They cannot be used on supermarket or public car parks.

E-scooters fall within the legal definition of a 'motor vehicle' in the UK and must follow the laws applicable to motor vehicles under the Road Traffic Act 1988. These include being registered with the DVLA, licensed, taxed, insured and fitted with number plates.

At present e-scooters cannot meet these requirements.

Rules for all e-scooter users include being used by one person at a time with it being illegal for provisional licence holders to carry passengers; e-scooters cannot tow anything; and a mobile phone must not be used while using an e-scooter.

Careless and dangerous driving offences also apply to users of e-scooters. Users should also not ride an e-scooter while impaired through drink or drugs.

Humberside Police can use a range of powers to deal with the use of an e-scooter, ranging from a warning through to seizure and prosecution. This includes if it's being driven in a careless, dangerous or anti-social manner. If it's seized you won't be able to get it back and could end up with a fine and points on your licence



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E-scooters are classed as motor vehicles so you need a licence, tax, MOT and insurance, but at the current time you cannot meet this requirement.

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It was bought out in 1968 by Associated Chemical Companies who built a new factory, including the Prilling Tower, which was used in the production of the new prilled fertilisers. It was then owned by Albright and Wilson and later, in 1983 by Britag (part of IC). Production at the factory ceased in 1988 and the site was bought by Glanford Borough Council in 1990 with the intention of making an industrial development area.

The Prilling Tower and the rest of the factory were demolished in 1991 and the area was inherited by the new North Lincolnshire Council in 1996, following the changes in local government. Plans for industrial use were changed, for the site to become the 86-acre Water's Edge Country Park.

To be able to do this, a major clean-up operation was needed to de-contaminate the site. In 1999 council contractors removed 500,000 tonnes of contaminated soil which was transferred by lorry to a clay lined old ironstone quarry near Scunthorpe.

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Another delivery of fertiliser leaves the factory on March 9, 1982

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An explosive end for the Prilling Tower during the demolition of the factory in 1991

The tower hits the ground

The Works Manager, Tom Mitchell (right) shows visitors round the Prilling Tower during the opening celebrations for the new factory on December 11, 1981

Glanford Borough Councillors with the demolished tower. Left to right, Cllrs Keith Vickers, John Wardle, and John Barry, three representatives of the contractor, along with Peter Clark and far right, Neil Jacques.

Water's Edge Country Park in October 2017

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In the years following her qualification, Kelly worked in various premises in Barton before taking the opportunity to move into her current property which she describes as a "delight" to be able to "re-energise and utilise the space". She has managed to renovate the building and keep a popular business operating while having a family. Kelly reflects this has taken patience and hard work, tackling listed building regulations and employment law amongst other things but concludes "having two children now, living on premises with a business attached; you cannot get better than that".

Kelly says her favourite part of the job is "making people feel relaxed and fully refreshed, that they leave the salon with a smile on their face". She treats clients who have been visiting her for more than 15 years, developing friendships with regulars who she would like to thank for their continued support. There is little spare time between the business and family, with

barely "a minute's rest". Any time that is saved for Kelly to recharge her batteries is filled with activities such as gymnastics locally at Sparks and swimming at Baysgarth Leisure Centre. She has not stopped making plans and wants to grow the business further as a day spa, which she describes as an "ultimate ambition".

Trends "come and go" but Kelly says that the objective at Serene Beautè is to offer excellent quality treatments at an affordable price and to guide clients to "enhance their natural skin tones and shape", knowing from experience what will suit them. She reports seeing "significant and long-lasting results" using the Dr. Murad range. This is the quietest time of the year before it begins to get busier, which makes now an ideal time to book. Consider booking a new treatment Kelly is putting together with her cousin, Lisa, who also works within the salon. It is a combination of two popular treatments; massage with facial techniques, Kelly is sure it will leave clients feeling relaxed and rejuvenated.



Kelly (left) and Lisa

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Obituaries

John David Witter

June 9 1928 - December 1 2022

David was born in Sandbach, Cheshire, the second child of four to John Herbert Witter and Nora Witter. His father was a Bank Manager so they were always moving around the country with his job.

David went to school in Howden, then to Oakham and on leaving school he was indentured into a firm of solicitors in Manchester, but after a year he decided to do his National Service.

He was sent on a clerks' course to Wakefield and after passing out he was posted to Singapore and Malaya. After completing his National Service, he returned home, which by then was The Vicarage at Messingham where he spent all of his time doing repairs to the property and digging, planning and planting the large vegetable garden.

One day his father said to him "Now lad, its time you got a job" and he dragged him down to the steelworks at Redbourne Hill where he got a job as a draughtsman in the drawing office.

David worked his way up to be a commercial manage at the steelworks, buying and selling steel. During this time, his all-around-the-world sales activities required him to run two passports!

He left British Steel in 1979 and went to work for a private company in Darlington leaving Barton early on a Monday morning and returning home on Friday evenings.

Singing was an important part of David's life. He used to sing in Goxhill Church Choir and Brigg Operatic Society.

In 1988 he left Darlington and came home and set up Witter Steels in the dining room at 6, The Bridges. He acted as a senior advisor to a Rotherham Steel Company and sold special sections for a company in Wolverhampton mainly to Australia and New Zealand

He joined the Rotary Club of Barton upon Humber in the early 1990s and from that moment was a highly committed member. His attendance was exemplary. His love of gardening and caring for the environment was manifest in his work over many years as the chair of the Environmental Committee. He led by example organising countless bulb and tree planting activities as well as many litter picking patrols. Many of the bulbs that you see in public areas of the town can be attributed to David and the teams he led.

He established good links with the Town Council's Environment Committee, enabling the club and the council to work together in their joint attempts to enhance local facilities. His commitment to the environment was such that some years he could be seen following real Christmas reindeer through the town anxious to collect their poo! Whether this was just an

example of his altruistic thinking or an ulterior motive as a means of collecting free manure we shall probably never know. He was actively involved in a range of environmental activities right up to the onset of his illness.

For many years David used his local knowledge and networks to organise Christmas activities for the elderly in the area. In particular he co-ordinated the club's provision of hot meals for the elderly in the area, in particular hot meals on Christmas Day and attendance at the Christmas tea party.

David's incessant work for the Rotary Club was recognised publicly when he was awarded the Paul Harris Fellowship on two occasions. The Fellowship is awarded to Rotarians and others who demonstrate outstanding service to the club and the community. It is a honour to receive it once. To be awarded it twice is very unusual.

His sense of humour, insistence that his meat was always well cooked, and his portrayal of Father Christmas in photos with Santa will be sorely missed.

David married Wendy, his beloved wife of 64 years on June 15 1958 and they went on to have two boys, John and Richard.

David devoted as much of his free time as possible in between steel jobs driving his tractor on the farm for the lads. Power harrowing was his main job as well as tree planting.

David was a real family man. He loved his extended family and it gave him great joy when they all came round for Sunday lunch, and Wendy would cook an excellent meal.

Latterly, the family kept him going, with the grandchildren and great-grandchildren making him smile. The biggest smile was when he got to meet his latest great-granddaughter, four-day old Amelia, just two weeks before he passed away.



David was an honest, hard working man who devoted as much of his spare time as he could to helping the community. This was recognised by Barton Town Council and North Lincolnshire Council when they presented him with a Local Hero award.

David's family have asked to express their sentiments by saying: "Rest in Peace Dad for you are now singing with a choir of angels".



Maggy Collingwood

The death has been announced of Maggy Collingwood of Barton upon Humber on December 21 last year after a short illness. Maggy was a loving wife, mother sister and auntie, and a grandmother of six. She was an inspirational teacher at Baysgarth School in Barton for almost 40 years.

Maggy is survived by her husband Lawrie and three children, who will dearly miss her wit, her commitment to her family and her lifelong love of learning - and who will always feed the birds, the hedgehogs and the cat in her absence.

Maggy's family have asked for contributions to be made to the RSPB or Macmillan in lieu of flowers/gifts.

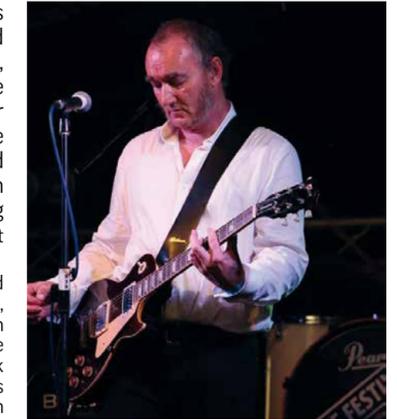
The Collingwood family

Mark Keable

In January Mark Keable, one of Barton's leading musical lights, sadly succumbed to lung cancer after a long battle. Mark, his wife Jan and two sons, Rob and Joe moved to live in Barton in 1980, after stints in Yorkshire and Ireland. His life long passion for all things musical led him to team up with John Lee to form the duo Missingtime, and the beginning of a decade long run of Open Mic nights at The Carnival on Tofts Road.

Missingtime (both a duo and band) performed all over the then Humberside for many years, and even managed a couple of tours of Scottish Islands and some gigs in Holland where the last of five albums was recorded in 2012. Mark also held an annual musical event in Hawes where the duo built up quite a following, with people coming for the weekend from all over the country.

When the Open Mic moved to The Old Mill (which is still running) Mark and John met up with members of another Barton band, 59 Violets and together formed the '60s covers band, The Rizlas that has been successfully gigging for 10 years. Mark was also involved in various musical charity events in the area, including Katie's Concerts. Mark performed his last gig in January 2022, after which his illness took its toll.



As well as being a performer, Mark was also a music promoter, bringing live music to the people of Barton, initially at The Carnival and then moving to Ropery Hall. He managed to put our town on the international music touring map with many American artists coming to play as well as home grown talent such as Paul Young, Bert Jansch, Gordon Giltrap, Strawbs, Midge Ure and many more. A lot of these artists became life long friends of

Mark, staying at his house and holding many late-night music sessions.

Mark's passing will leave Barton with a musical void that will be hard to fill, but I'm sure he'll always be rockin' and rollin' wherever he is.

John Lee



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