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Slow Circular Earth and Wilderspin National School Museum Partner
Launches Zero Waste Café and Community Fridge.

New Community Hub

Local social enterprise Slow Circular Earth has joined forces with the Wilderspin National School Museum to revitalise the museum's café and create a vibrant community hub.

Building on recent successful pop-ups, Slow Circular Earth has introduced a Zero Waste Café and Community Fridge at the museum, initially running as a six-month pilot.

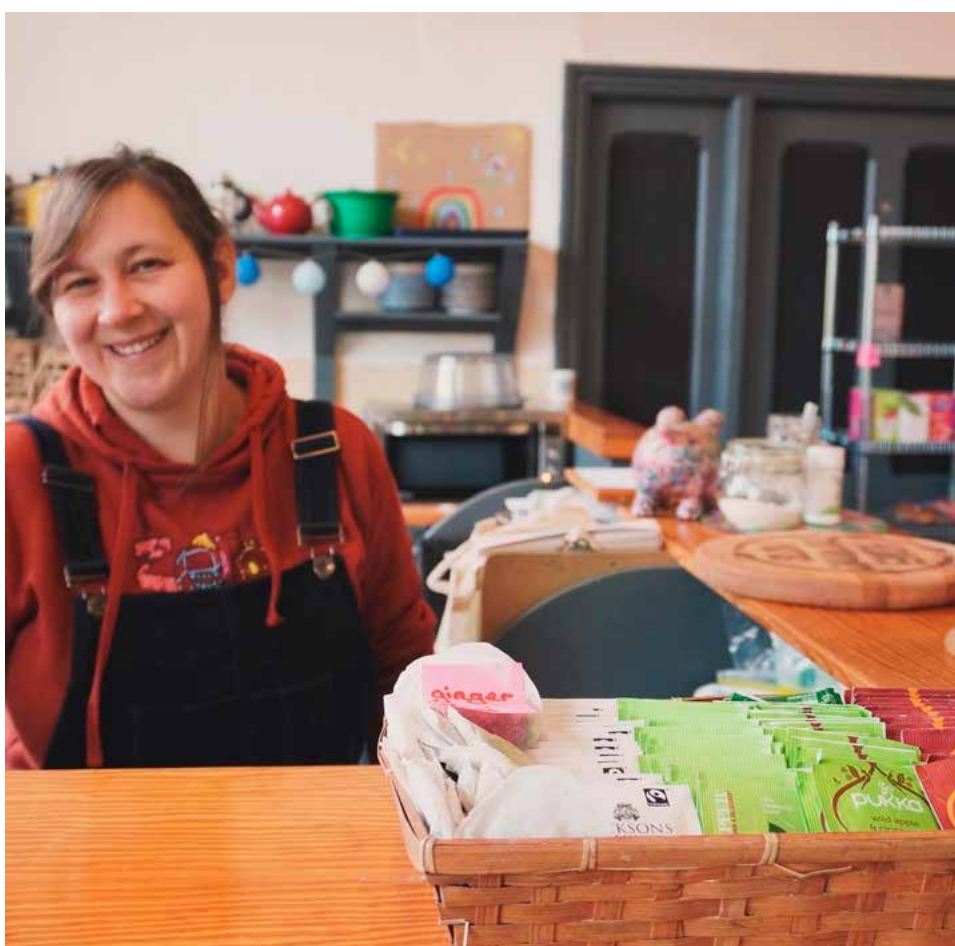
This exciting project is supported by environmental charity Hubbub, in partnership with Co-op and Starbucks, and is part of the UK-wide Community Fridge Network, which is helping thousands connect to their communities, access nutritious food, save money and reduce waste.

Community fridges are communal spaces where organisations and households can share perishable food that would have otherwise been wasted. They are social spaces which help to reduce food waste, build trust locally and normalise the sharing of foods and other household items. Crucially, they are welcoming places open to anyone.

The vision for the project extends beyond food, to offer community activities, informal gatherings and film screenings; to help build social connections, combat loneliness, and create a sense of belonging.

Planning is underway for informative sessions on food sustainability, tips for growing their own food, and advice on eating well on a budget. This educational aspect aims to inspire a community-wide shift towards a more conscious and sustainable approach to food.

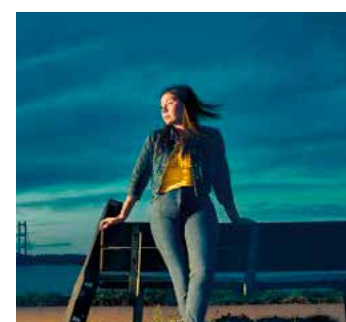
We invite everyone to join us in making this initiative a success. Whether you're looking to share surplus food, learn valuable food skills, volunteer your time, connect with your community, or simply support a positive environmental and social change, we welcome you with open arms.



The café and community fridge will be open every Friday from 10.30am to 1.30pm during school term times.

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175th Anniversary Celebration



The Mayor of Barton Cllr Keith Vickers pictured cutting the ceremonial ribbon at Barton Railway Station to commemorate the start of the Barton Line's 175th anniversary celebrations in 2024.

Spring flowers in February adding welcome colour to the town





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 decisions.

Barton Upon Humber Town Council forthcoming Committee Meeting dates

April 2024		
Planning	Wednesday April 3	6pm
Full Council	Wednesday April 3	7pm
Annual Town Meeting	Thursday April 11	7pm
Planning	Monday April 22	6pm
May 2024		
Annual Town Council Meeting	Wednesday May 1	7pm
Planning	Monday May 13	6pm
Environment	Monday May 13	7pm

Barton Upon Humber Town Council Office opening hours

Barton Upon Humber Town Council office endeavours to open Monday to Friday 9am - 3pm. 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

Pollinator Friendly Hanging Baskets

As part of our ongoing commitment to environmental improvement, the Town Council is introducing the idea of pollinator friendly hanging baskets for this year's hanging basket competition.

Our own lamp post planters, to be installed and planted in the spring, will also follow this theme.

So out go the usual cultivated Geranium (not the native one), Begonias, Busy Lizzies and Pansies in come species such as Bidens Golden Glory, or the more subtle Golden Eye, Erigeron Karvinskianus, Profusion or Lavender Lady, Sedum and Violas. You might also like to try a herb hanging basket as they can also work well for scent and flowers. A fuller list can be found on the Town Council's website under the Hanging Basket Competition, with thanks to the Barton Volunteer Gardeners for helping compile the list of species.

In addition to choosing what to plant, there are a couple of other things to bear in mind. Single flowered plants produce the most pollen and bees are of course not the only pollinators. Moths, butterflies, hover flies and many other insects all play their part. Moths, for example, particularly like funnel flowers like fuchsias, which are a standard hanging basket plant.

Whatever you decide to grow the Bartonian Delivery Team will look forward to seeing your efforts during the July delivery for the final judging in August.



- Cinquefoil
- Veronicas
- Germander
- Wood Sorrel
- Lamium (Dead Nettle) species
- Creeping Jenny (Lysimachia Mummularia)
- small bulbs like
- Dwarf Iris and dwarf simple form Narcissi are good for early insects.

These are just a few!

People with gardens will notice which plants attract the insects. If they're too big for hanging baskets, then there might be smaller forms available eg dwarf cat mint.

Clr Neil Jacques
Chair Environment Committee.

Could you offer a short break to children in your community – Join our fostering family today

There is a great opportunity to join our team of Foster Carers who offer short breaks to children and young people with additional needs and disabilities.

The fostering team at North Lincolnshire Council is raising awareness of this inspirational scheme during its Short Breaks + Awareness Month, throughout March.

Short Breaks+ foster care provides support to parents and carers who care for a child with additional needs or disability by offering a short break in their own home. This may include day care, an overnight stay, or longer periods during school holidays.

The Council are looking to build on this team and are looking for caring people who would like to help children and their families to take on this flexible, part-time role. It is open to people from all walks of life, all ages, and backgrounds – some of the current carers also work and some are full-time parents.

The children and foster carers are carefully matched together, each with the hope it can become a regular arrangement, creating happy memories together, building relationships whilst also enabling parents and carers of the children to spend time with other family members.

To find out more about becoming a Short Breaks + foster carer, visit the North Lincolnshire Council website, email fostering@northlincs.gov.uk or call 01724 297024.

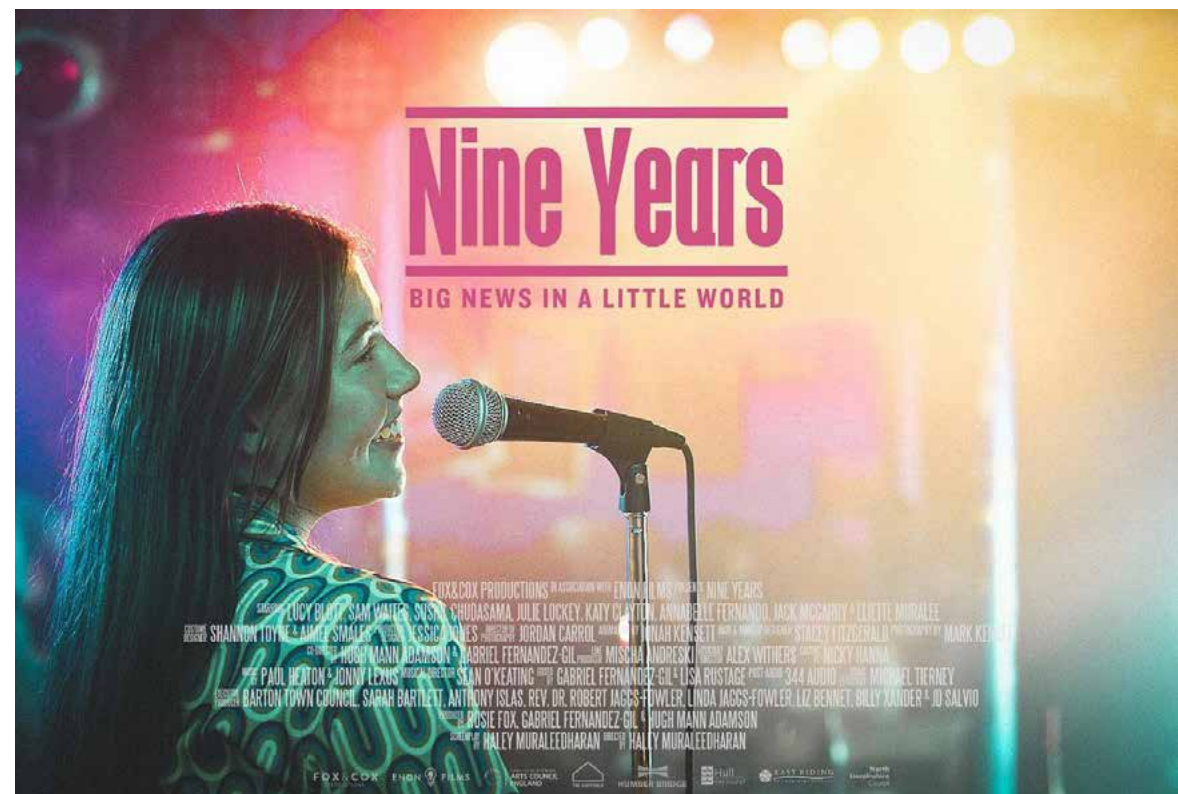
A North Lincolnshire Short Breaks+ foster carer, said: "I would absolutely encourage someone to foster as a Short Break carer for children with disabilities. It introduces you to fostering and the world it encompasses."



Barton stars on the silver screen.

Nine Years

A new film has just premiered – in Barton! We sent Neil King to find out what it's all about.



I'm starting to wonder if this is the editorial team's idea of a joke. "Would you like to cover a film premiere?" they said. Well, who wouldn't – the glamour, the red carpet and the chance to jet off to warmer climes. Sure!

It's a cold Wednesday night, and as I shiver through the Water's Edge car park towards The Ropewalk, I'm sure this assignment is slightly different to what I was expecting.

The Ropewalk is packed to the rafters. The volunteer helping people to their seats tells me that two previous showings that day had also filled the auditorium.

So, what has created such a buzz?

It's a new film written by a Bartonian, produced by a Scunthorpe lad, featuring music by a Hull legend and

built by a cast and crew of Humber and Yorkshire creatives.

"Nine Years" is a musical love letter to Barton-Upon-Humber and Hull, Produced by Fox&Cox Productions (Rosie Fox and Haley Muralaeddharan) and ENON Films (Hugh Mann Adamson and Gabriel Fernández-Gil). Don't think for a moment that this is a small-scale amateur production. "Nine Years" has already been accepted into several BAFTA-qualifying film festivals.

The Story

It's 1972, and feisty teen Joodi "Jules" Tagore dreams of leaving her small town on the South Bank of the Humber for a music career with her mate Paul. News of the building of the Humber Bridge is on everyone's lips, sucking everyone around her

into its construction. As years go by and the town falls deeper in love with the bridge, Jules wins and loses in the record industry, gigs, and love, but the ultimate fight is against what the bridge represents to her: a symbol of the control yielded by distant power brokers. When she suffers the ultimate loss, the death of her father, she must make a choice: to follow her dreams or reconcile with what she has ultimately become.

The story is based on 133 interviews conducted over two years with people who grew up during the building of the Humber Bridge, written by Haley Muralaeddharan (Leave Hitler to Me Lad) and music by Paul Heaton (The Beautiful South).



From musical to the silver screen

"Nine Years" started life as an Arts Council funded stage musical, telling real-life stories of those who grew up in the Humber region during the building of the Humber Bridge and celebrating the 40th anniversary of the opening of the landmark.

Alongside support from Arts Council England, Hull City Council, North Lincolnshire Council, East Riding of Yorkshire Council, The Ropewalk, The Humber Bridge Board and local Humber businesses, ENON Films and Fox&Cox Productions pulled together a super-group of the best Humber and Yorkshire-based film talent to tell this story on the big screen.

Why tell this story? Hayley said, "The Humber Bridge symbolises home to many; it comes with a sigh of relief. You only have to listen to the interviews we conducted to hear the continuing impact the bridge has had on people in the Humber region," She added. "It is also one of the world's biggest achievements in civil engineering, yet woefully uncelebrated as such. With much of the legwork done by local men and women in Barton and Hull during the build, it's time to hear their voices."

The storyline is moving and inspiring, with moments of desperate sadness and massive highs.

If you get an opportunity to see "Nine Years", don't miss it. It's a forty-minute production that is over far too soon, and I would love to see more of the same.

Neil King

Annual Town Meeting

Thursday April 11 2024 at 7pm

This is the Annual meeting of the town hosted by the Town Council. It is always hoped to invite representatives from other organisations to come and speak at the meeting. Keep an eye on our website, Facebook page and the Assembly Rooms Notice Board for updates. The meeting is usually topical and informative and everyone is welcome to attend.

Creating the Bartonian

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Parking on the Highway

Some people are parking vehicles on the road, preventing residents getting in and out of their drives and also causing inconvenience to other road users.

To make sure you don't cause problems:

- Do not park:**
- on a footway or verge
 - where the kerb has been lowered
 - within 10 metres of a junction
 - where it will obstruct other road users
 - at night: - facing oncoming traffic without lights on roads where the speed limit is more than 30mph
 - without lights if your vehicle weighs more than 1,525kg unladen (ie 30cwt approx).

Tips on safe Parking

Remember... The highway is for the free flow and passage of moving vehicles.

- If you park on the road:**
- Do it correctly, with all wheels on the roadway;
 - Do not inconvenience other road and footway users.
 - If you have a driveway, please use it
 - Correctly parked vehicles on the highway can help to reduce other vehicles' speed.
 - Your co-operation is essential, to make North Lincolnshire roads safer.

Humberside Police can prosecute for dangerous or unnecessary obstruction - BE WARNED!



175th Anniversary of the Opening of the Barton Branch Railway

Plans for constructing a railway to run between New Holland and Louth via Grimsby were first mooted in 1844.

Parliamentary approval was granted in June 1845 and construction began in October 1846. The various small companies which were involved in the project were incorporated to form the Manchester Sheffield & Lincolnshire Railway (MS&LR) company with effect from January 1 1847. With almost miraculous speed by modern standards, the 30-mile line was opened and a passenger service was inaugurated on March 1 1848 with much fanfare.

Although the Barton branch was nearing completion at the same time, it was decided to postpone opening the line until current achievements had been consolidated and receipts had started to come in from the new service. But Barton did not have to wait long, for the branch was opened exactly a year later, on March 1 1849. However, this time there was no fanfare, merely a couple of advertisements in the local press (see figure 1). One reason for the lack of celebrations could have been due to

an element of local opposition to the coming of the railway. In particular the ferry fraternity, and the hostleries, farriers and blacksmiths associated with the stagecoaches, were concerned for the loss of their livelihoods. Nevertheless, Bartonians quickly adapted to their railway, it becoming very popular as a faster and more reliable means of reaching Hull than by ferry from Barton and for the transport of all manner of goods both into and out of the town.


While it was important to the MS&LR to serve Barton, the railway company also intended, from the start, to extend the line westwards to South Ferriby and Winterringham. Thus although only one track was laid, space was allowed for two in anticipation of much greater traffic in the future, but this was not to be. The line was built straight and near level for 3½ miles, with just a 1-in-132 incline on either side of Barrow Haven to clear the flood banks.

At Barrow Haven a substantial wooden trellis bridge was built in the same style as the original pier at New Holland. Although the haven housed a sizeable community at the time, markedly more than now, the station was not opened until April 8 in the following year.

The original station building at Barton was a temporary wooden structure behind the buffer stops, and it was not until 1855 that the permanent buildings were constructed alongside the platform (see figure 2). Also provided was a siding of coal drops, a spacious covered goods platform, a wagon turntable to a secure brick-built goods shed, a cattle dock, a hand crane and a spur to Briggs's brick and tile yard. All in all it was a nice compact layout which was to serve the community well for a hundred and twenty years (see figure 3).

In time another two spurs branched off the line, one to Greenwood's

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THE Public is respectfully informed that the LINE from NEW HOLLAND to BARTON will be OPENED for TRAFFIC on THURSDAY the 1st of MARCH next, when Trains and Steam Packets will start as follows:

Week Days—From Barton to New Holland and Hull, at 8.15 a.m., 10.45 a.m., 12.45 p.m., 4.15 p.m., and 8.10 p.m.

Sundays—At 9.30 a.m., 1.15 p.m., and 7.50 p.m.

From Hull to New Holland and Barton,

Week Days—At 9.0 a.m., 1.0 p.m., 3.30 p.m., 5.15 p.m. and 7.0 p.m.

Sundays—At 8.15 a.m., 1.0 p.m., and 7.0 p.m.

Extra from Hull to New Holland and Barton, every Monday, at 6.40 a.m.

Fares between Barton and Hull—First Class 1s., Second Class 9d, Third Class 6d. By order.

New Holland, 22d February, 1849.

FIGURE 1

Barton upon Humber Civic Society



Barton upon Humber Civic Society Award was recently made to Mike and Kelly Lumley Holmes for the sympathetic work to the roof of their listed property on Fleetgate.



Presented by Society Chair Neil Jacques to Kelly in front of the business.

The Cocoa House, also pictured, as it was previously known was featured in the bygone section of the last issue of the Bartonian.

Before and after pictures show the difference made replacing concrete tiles with the original style of clay Pantiles.

Update on the Oxford Cinema on Newport

A few months ago, NEIL KING wrote about the development of the former Oxford Cinema on Newport.

At that stage, the building was little more than a shell, with the developers promising an exciting new residential development for a building that had sat empty for many years. Now he returns to see the completed renovation.

Oxford Picture Theatre (or the Oxford Picture House and Theatre of Varieties to give it its Sunday name) was built in the mid-Victorian era as a malt kiln. The building was adapted by 1909 as a roller skating rink.

The Oxford Picture Theatre was still open in 1963; by 1966, it had been renamed the Oxford Cinema. It was soon closed and converted into a bingo club. By 2005, it had been in use as a warehouse for many years.

In recent years, it was converted into the Barton Sports Centre.

Sadly, the building has fallen into disrepair; however, the Oxford has now undergone a complete restoration. RS Property Development Services have teamed up with Donovan Property Group to bring the building back to life.

The building has been remodelled into eight two and three-bedroom townhouses and is named The Old Maltings in tribute to its original use.

We got a sneak preview of the finished project and the transformation of the building. It's good to see new life being breathed into buildings, that without attention, would eventually cease to exist.



The Old Maltings as it is now.



Ropery Hall



What do spy Frank Foley, Bletchley Park and the 1962 Cuban Missile Crisis have in common?

The answer is author Michael Smith who has written about all three subjects in widely acclaimed books and who will be talking about them in An Audience with Michael Smith at Ropery Hall on April 19.

These three books are just a small number of his books about spies and special forces, including the Sunday Times No 1 bestseller Sunday Times X: The Codebreakers of Bletchley Park and the New York Times bestseller Killer Elite: America's Most Secret Special Operations Team that Michael, who served in British military intelligence before becoming an award-winning journalist with the BBC, the Daily Telegraph and the Sunday Times, has written.

In the spotlight at Ropery Hall will be Frank Foley who worked as a passport control officer for the British Embassy in Berlin and "bent the rules" and helped thousands of Jewish families escape from Nazi Germany after

Kristallnacht and before the outbreak of the Second World War. The code-breakers of Bletchley Park probably need little introduction to many and Michael's most recent and widely acclaimed book, Bletchley Park and the Birth of the Special Relationship puts the spotlight on how codebreakers from both sides of the Atlantic linked up even before America entered the Second World War describing how intelligence from MI6, GCHQ and the little-known BBC Monitoring Service played key roles.

His final topic for the evening will be how intelligence actually worked during the 1962 Cuban Missile Crisis, when the Soviet Union tried to base surface-to-surface missiles capable of hitting most of the United States on Cuba.

Details of this evening and all other forthcoming shows at Ropery Hall can be found at www.roperhall.co.uk

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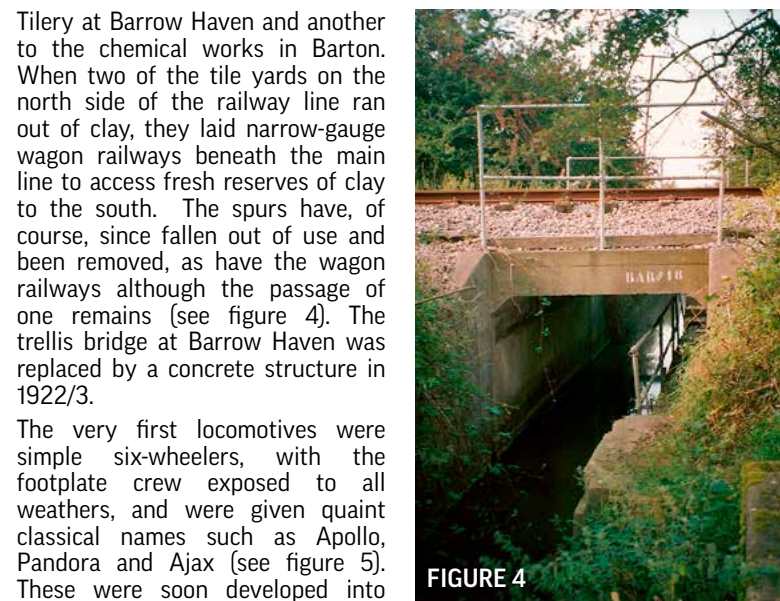
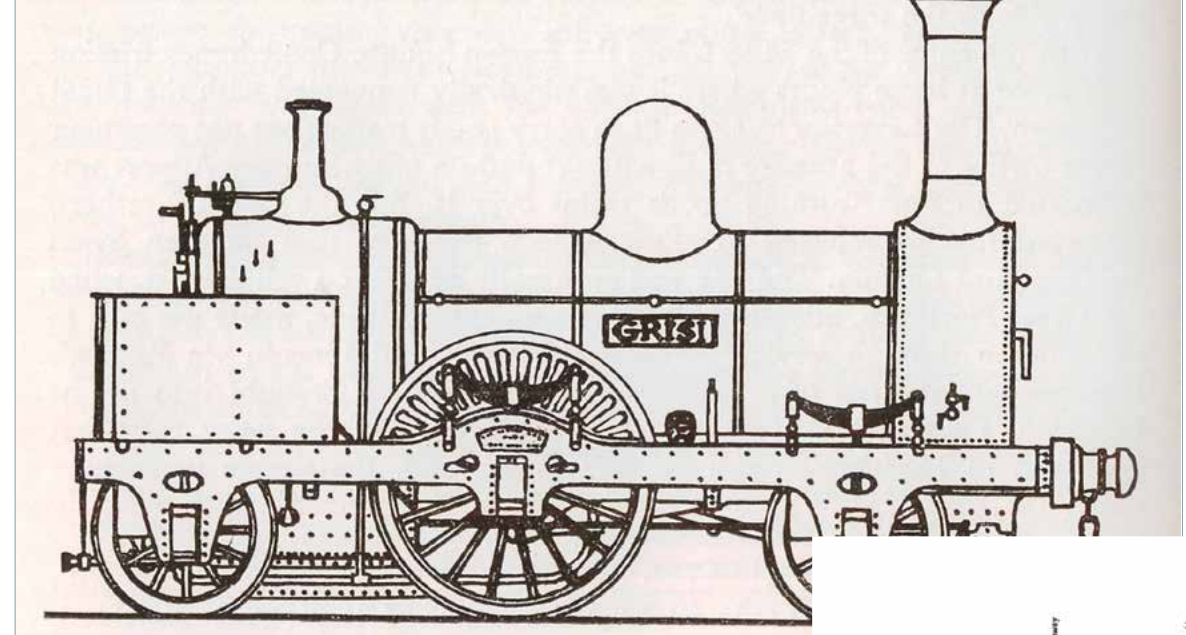


FIGURE 4

The very first locomotives were simple six-wheelers, with the footplate crew exposed to all weathers, and were given quaint classical names such as Apollo, Pandora and Ajax (see figure 5). These were soon developed into tank engines which were adequate for the light duties of the line and became the mainstay of the service for decades. In a drive to reduce running costs, prototype steam rail cars and motor trains (the engine being integral with the passenger carriage) were trialled on the line during the early 1900s but without success.

However, some majestic machines, normally only seen on fast main lines, did also make an appearance to eke out their twilight years on the branch.

Until the closure of the railway ferries in 1981, the passenger service was effectively a shuttle between Barton and New Holland pier to connect with the ferries to and from Hull. Passengers from Barton for Grimsby and further inland were required to change at New Holland. It is only after the closure of the ferries that services ran regularly through to Grimsby and Cleethorpes.

This article is but a brief introduction. For a more detailed account see The Railway Comes to Barton-on-Humber 1844-1914 available for £9 at The Ropewalk, Water's Edge and the Wilderspin School & Museum or view at the Barton and Scunthorpe public libraries.

Anthony Berridge

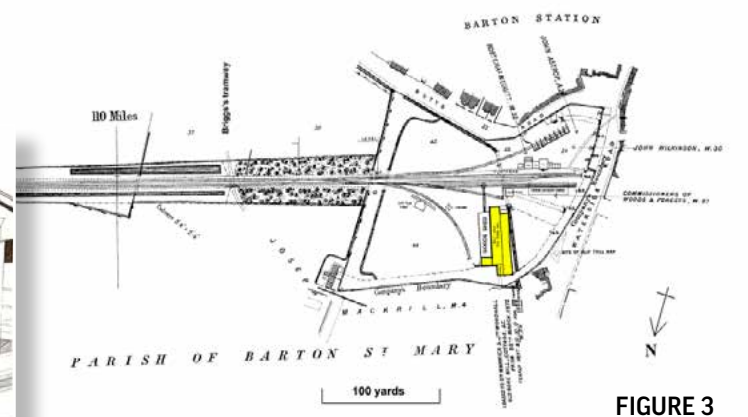


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FIGURE 2

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Sow lots and lots!

Most of the experts tell us to sow little and often with our regular sowings of salad crops and successional vegetables, but this year I am urging people to sow more than they need.

If you are like me and sow a bit extra just in case the seeds don't come up, then it won't be much of a change from usual. This is why we always end up with a glut of courgettes in the summer. I sow an extra couple of seeds just in case some don't germinate or the slugs and pests get them when planted out, and when they all survive and produce we have well over 100 courgettes each year.

This year there is a ready outlet for all your surplus produce with the Community Fridge just started up on Fridays at Wilderspin National School on Queen Street, from 10.30am to 1.30pm. Run by Town Councillor Amie Watson's Slow Circular Earth organisation, it distributes surplus food that supermarkets can't sell and will be more than happy to distribute any surplus fruit and veg people can offer.

So, just what can you sow lots and lots of in the next couple of months? March and April are the start of the busy period for most

people. In March, early potatoes can go in, with maincrop at the end of the month or early April. Broad beans, early carrots, peas and leeks can be sown now and tomatoes on a warm window sill. Chives and parsley can be sown in pots protected by a fizzy drink bottle cloche as can summer cabbages. In April it's time for the summer cabbages to be planted out after hardening off, and broccoli and winter cabbage can be sown outside, not forgetting those sprouts for Christmas. You can start off runner beans, French beans and sweetcorn indoors in April for planting out in May as the days get warmer. Regular sowings of salads can also start in March, sowing the next batch of seeds three weeks or so apart.

Whatever and wherever you grow, I hope you have a bountiful season of home grown produce, with enough to share with others!

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It was a wet one!

It's official! 2023 was a very wet year.

The evidence was there for us all to see with the Beck being full for many months, but also from the rainfall figures kept by the late Geoff Bryant from 2002 until May 2021, which I have continued to record.

You can draw your own conclusions from the figures below, but a couple of things stand out. We had the wettest March and July since Geoff started keeping these records and the second

wettest December. The year as a whole was the second wettest but by total contrast it was the driest February recorded. So extremes in February, March and July, key months in the horticultural year which presented interesting challenges for gardeners.

What of 2024? It started as 2023 ended, with 25.5mm rain on January 2, the largest rainfall in a single day since 2010. Since then it has

calmed down a little to be fairly average, apart from more downpours of 24mm and 19.5mm on February 8 and 10, making this February on track to be one of the wetter ones. The ground is already very waterlogged from December's rain, so let's hope it dries up a bit as we move into spring.

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	2022	2023	22yr Average
Jan	38.5	78.8	83.3	24.8	30.8	55.5	125.5	45.5	54.8	30.5	28.0	45.8	95.8	25.0	49.8	32.0	50.0	21.0	32.3	98.0	18.0	39.0	50.1
Feb	48.3	23.8	38.3	50.3	46.0	61.5	22.0	57.8	64.8	68.3	16.0	31.5	47.0	36.8	50.3	71.5	31.5	19.5	110.8	77.0	84.3	10.8	48.5
March	26.0	18.8	29.5	25.8	58.5	29.8	63.5	26.0	35.3	5.8	18.5	54.0	38.8	30.3	73.3	35.3	56.5	68.0	15.3	21.0	36.8	85.0	38.7
April	25.8	39.8	79.5	47.8	41.8	7.3	53.0	15.8	22.5	11.0	129.0	4.3	18.8	15.5	34.3	21.3	76.8	20.5	4.8	2.5	8.0	55.3	33.4
May	61.8	48.0	30.0	31.0	93.5	86.8	18.8	57.0	7.0	16.3	48.5	45.5	121.5	71.8	35.5	68.0	33.8	29.5	8.5	81.5	42.3	43.0	49.1
June	82.8	91.3	76.0	43.8	10.5	255.5	62.3	13.3	40.0	50.0	107.0	55.5	73.8	46.8	102.0	94.5	13.3	66.3	87.5	44.8	31.3	28.3	67.1
July	101.8	48.8	85.5	53.8	51.5	67.8	81.3	90.0	12.0	36.0	83.0	25.3	55.0	63.8	42.5	78.0	24.0	42.0	63.0	74.0	18.0	116.0	59.7
Aug	54.8	6.8	115.3	68.5	108.0	20.8	55.3	56.8	61.0	67.3	48.5	24.3	95.3	75.8	70.3	71.5	43.8	36.3	78.3	35.0	24.3	46.0	57.4
Sept	31.3	36.5	34.5	36.5	65.5	28.8	92.5	22.5	71.3	22.8	47.0	21.0	14.0	20.5	46.0	47.0	49.5	116.0	32.8	60.8	57.3	101.0	47.9
Oct	132.8	40.3	107.0	69.0	68.3	29.0	67.5	56.5	27.8	46.5	52.8	81.0	76.0	41.5	63.0	27.8	47.5	139.8	102.0	91.8	105.3	128.0	72.8
Nov	111.5	55.3	31.3	42.3	46.3	45.5	57.8	80.8	82.3	17.0	113.8	35.0	73.5	63.0	86.0	50.0	73.3	173.3	16.8	27.8	88.5	68.5	65.4
Dec	129.8	51.5	21.0	30.0	57.3	48.5	63.3	72.5	32.5	54.8	113.5	28.3	41.3	64.3	32.5	48.0	78.0	55.0	80.0	59.3	69.8	116.3	61.2
Total	844.8	539.3	731.0	523.3	677.8	736.5	762.5	594.3	511.0	426.0	805.5	451.3	750.5	554.8	685.3	644.8	577.8	787.0	631.8	673.3	583.5	837.0	651.3

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Barton Heritage Survey



The Barton Heritage project is exploring the possibility of organising heritage events and activities in Barton upon Humber. We need your input to gauge the level of interest and support for this initiative. This will really help with finding and accessing funding for the area.

As a thank you for your feedback, we'll enter all completed surveys into a Prize Draw to win £30 for the shop of your choice. You can access the survey online by using the QR code or complete this form and return to The Ropewalk. Please respond by 25 March at the latest. Thanks!

- Which if any types of heritage-themed events or activities would you be interested in attending or participating in? (Select all that apply)
 - Guided historical tours
 - Heritage workshops or demonstrations (e.g., traditional crafts, cooking)
 - Heritage-themed festivals or markets
 - Interactive exhibits or installations
 - None of the above
 - Other (please specify): _____
- Do you currently participate in any heritage-themed events or activities in Barton?
 - Yes
 - No
 - Not sure
- Please tell us about the kind of heritage activities you've participated in.

- How important do you believe heritage preservation and promotion is in enhancing the charm and appeal of Barton?
 - Not at all important
 - Not very important
 - Neither important nor unimportant
 - Quite important
 - Very important
- Do you think more heritage-themed events and activities would contribute positively to the overall atmosphere and character of the town?
 - Yes
 - No
 - Not sure
- Are you familiar with Baysgarth House?
 - Yes - I have visited in the past
 - Yes - but I have never visited
 - No - I haven't heard of it
 - Other (please specify) _____
- What potential uses of the building interest you? (select all that appeal to you)
 - Heritage and local history displays
 - Café
 - Community rooms for hire
 - Archive access and reading rooms
 - Heritage shop
 - None of the above
 - Other (please suggest other ideas that would be of interest to you) _____
- Would you support the idea of reopening Baysgarth House as a museum dedicated to preserving and showcasing local history and heritage?
 - Yes, I would definitely support it
 - Yes, I might support it
 - No, I would not support it
 - Not sure
- Do you have any other comments or thoughts on developing the heritage provision in Barton?

About You

The following questions are a bit more personal but they help us to understand who has completed the survey (and who might be missing from our consultation). You can leave this blank if you prefer or select the 'prefer not to answer' option, where available.

- What is your full postcode? (for statistical purposes only)

- What is your age?

- How do you describe your gender?

- Would you be interested in taking part in a small research discussion group for this project?
 - Yes, tell me more
 - No, I'm not interested
- Would you like to be entered into the Prize Draw to win £30 for the shop of your choice?
 - Yes
 - No
- If you answered 'yes' to either of the previous questions, please provide your contact details. These will only be used to contact you about either the Prize Draw or taking part in a discussion group. Your data will be held securely by The Ropewalk and shared with our research partner, Wafer Hadley, for analysis. We never share data with other third parties.

Name _____

Email Address _____

Phone Number _____

Barton and District History Group

The Barton and District History Group's first meeting for 2024 will take place on March 27 and our programme of speakers for this year is as follows:

- **March 27**, David Gibson "The History and Development of the Avro Lancaster"
 - **April 24**, Paul Johnson and Kevin Thompson "Crime and Punishment"
 - **May 29**, Vikki Arthur "The Waterside Chapel"
 - **June 26**, To be confirmed (may be a visit to Elsham Aircraft Museum)
 - **September 25**, Paul Mann "Doc John's Barton"
 - **October 30**, Judith Spicksley "Slavery in the Lincolnshire Archives"
 - **November 27**, A.G.M. & Social.
- Meetings are held in St Mary's Church Hall on Burgate and start at 7.30pm with a short break for refreshments. Heritage 6 will be available for the start of the membership year. We are 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-**
- Healthcare in Barton in the 19th Century.
 - Forced Migration to Australia.
 - Books by Local Authors.
 - Strange Musical Instruments.
- For any additional information, please contact Bartonanddistricthistorygroup@hotmail.com.

Barton's 20 mph speed limit

Since the first article in The Bartonian recommending a 20mph speed limit along Fleetgate, much has happened both in Barton and nationally.

Many towns and cities have lowered the limit in built-up areas and the Welsh Government decided to "keep it simple" and lower the national limit in all built-up areas to 20mph. The benefit of this approach is that when you enter a built-up area you don't have to look for speed limit signs - you KNOW to drive at no more than 20mph. Just to recap, the impact force on a stationary object from a vehicle travelling at 30mph is 2¼ times stronger and thus more damaging, than if it was traveling at 20mph. There are far more cars, vans and trucks on the road and clearly something had to be done.

Our streets in 2024

The last two years has seen the safety of pedestrians and cyclists given much greater priority and our streets do seem to be a little calmer? Certainly, North Lincolnshire Council deserves much credit in their adoption of a general "old town" speed limit of 20mph. We are still, of course, short of car parking spaces, especially in town and various ideas have been considered, such as one-way streets, but no "one size fits all" solution has yet appeared.

Where is all this leading?

That is a big question - where is employment going, in terms of travel to office and factory? The current pressures of climate change seem set on changing transport drive systems to more sustainable solar powered ones. Changes in the way we live are not new, of course. Why are there so many work centres in cities? That's where most people lived, of course, so build more offices and the work force has an easier daily route. The problem was that the "bosses" wanted their own space and discovered nice living areas in the "suburbs". This started a drift to suburban housing estates and the need to travel to work on a daily basis. Back to square one...!

In the shorter term it would be very useful to gather the ideas of Bartonians on just what they think of the current traffic situation and how they think it could be improved, so get those thoughts on paper!

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Kate Rusby
Saturday 13 April 2024 - 7:00pm
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ST
Jools Holland
Friday 17 May 2024 - 7:30pm
The Baths Hall



ST
Bridge
Thursday 6 June 2024 - 7:30pm
Plowright Theatre

What's On *March - May*

Friday March 15
Barton Civic Society Talk: Through Kirton Tunnel with Stephen Gay

Joseph Wright Hall at Wilderspin School Museum on Queen Street 7:30pm

Commemorate the 175th anniversary of the railway reaching Barton with a virtual train journey from Kirton Lindsey to Cleethorpes - via Barton upon Humber.

Non-members £4

Saturday March 16
Patrick Monahan

Ropery Hall, The Ropewalk 8pm - 10pm

Patrick has performed in more than 1,000 cities, towns, and countries! He has travelled more miles than the total of NASA's Space flights! Come see him now before he does his Mars stadium tour 2025! Exclusively Yours!

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Wednesday March 20
Mini Mallards Tots Group

Water's Edge 10am - 11:30

For ages 2 - 5, includes a craft, story, and outdoor learning if weather is suitable. Places must be booked by calling 01652 631500.

£3 per child.

Thursday March 21
Charlie Dore with Julian Littman

Ropery Hall, The Ropewalk 8pm
Charlie Dore is one of the UK's most respected singer songwriters. In an unusually diverse career, her songs have won two Ascap awards, an Ivor Novello nomination and both the Overall Grand and the Folk Prize from the International Acoustic Music Awards

£14/£16 otd

Friday March 22
Barton Ghost Walk

7:30pm
A spooky guided tour of historic Barton led by members of South Bank Players. Booking is recommended, tickets £5 are available from www.sbpayers.co.uk

Wednesday March 27
Barton and District Local History Group

St Mary's Church Hall, Burgate 7:30pm
David Gibson 'The History and Development of the Avro Lancaster'

Friday March 29
Wilderspin Spring Reopening

Wilderspin & National School Museum, Queen Street. 11am - 3pm
Friday 29 March will be a family friendly "Egg-Stravaganza" full of arts and crafts, plus a session with guest artist Nicky Dillerstone, and the weekly Community Larder with Slow Circular Earth who will be selling refreshments.

FREE admission.

Saturday March 30
Barton St Peter's School pupil Oliver walking across the Humber Bridge and back to raise funds for the Barton Food Bank

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/oliver-white-Barton-Food-Bank?utm_term=wBEZXVG67

Sunday March 31
Sax on Sunday with Gareth Moulton

Ropery Hall, The Ropewalk 8pm - 10pm

Snake Davis and Gareth Moulton is an established act now, not just an occasional thing anymore. The pair reckon Ropery Hall is the ideal venue for them. Mellow music infused with pop, rock, jazz, and soul.

£15/£17 otd

Tuesday April 2
Habitat Hunters - Nest Test

Water's Edge 10:30am - 12pm
A fun, educational, nature-based session for children.

£4 per child

Saturday April 6
Barton Market

Market Place and Butchery 8:30am - 2pm
Monthly market selling fresh food, crafts, second-hand tools, plus more.

Sunday April 7
Wildlife Watch

Far Ings Nature Reserve 1pm - 3pm
A monthly club for children who want to learn more about the natural world and spend time outside on the nature reserve. Please note this session is aimed at children aged 5-12.

£3 suggested donation per child.

Saturday April 13 and Sunday 14
Print Fair

The Ropewalk 10am - 4pm
A weekend dedicated to celebrating all things print, with over 30 printmakers selling affordable art.

Free admission.

Wednesday April 17
Live Music and Lunch - Living Later Life Well

(open to those aged 60+) Trinity Methodist Church 10:30am - 12pm
£5

Wednesday April 17
Talk: AGM & Troupials, Toucans and Tanagers - A Venezuelan Expedition

Far Ings Nature Reserve 7:30pm
The Barton Area Group will be joined by Simon Wellock, Warden of Far Ings National Nature Reserve, who, following a short AGM, talks on the wildlife found in Venezuela.

Free to attend.

Thursday April 18
Hags: A Magical Extravaganza

Ropery Hall, The Ropewalk 7:30pm
Packed full of magic tricks, physical comedy, and live music, these magiciennes explore the witch-hunt mania that swept the country and sent hundreds of innocent women to the gallows. With mind-blowing illusions, stupendous stunts, and the occasional disappearing rabbit, 'Hags' sets the record straight for thousands of falsely accused women with all the joy, silliness & spectacle these three can muster.

£13/£15 otd

Friday April 19
Barton Civic Society Talk - The Royal Coach with O.H. Boyd

Joseph Wright Hall at Wilderspin School Museum on Queen Street 7:30pm
Local sculptor and illustrator OH Boyd tells the story of creating the carving of the Imperial Crown - the centrepiece for the Royal Diamond Jubilee Coach Britannia adopted by the Royal Fleet.

Non-members £4



Saturday April 20
Film, Q&A, and Supper - Slow Circular Earth

Wilderspin National School 5:30pm - 9pm
Slow Circular Earth is proudly screening the eagerly anticipated documentary film, Six Inches of Soil. The film tells the inspiring story of young British farmers standing up against the industrial food system and transforming the way they produce food - to heal the soil, our health and provide for local communities. The screening will include a thoughtful Supper and a Q & A discussion with Anna Jackson, Pink Pig Farm and Hannah Thorogood, InkPot Farm.

£10 per person
Booking essential at www.slowcircularearth.co.uk

Saturday 20 April, 2024
Season Starter - Open Day Barton Brigg Road Bowls Club

(NB: we're 'almost secretly' situated on Park Avenue, Barton. DN18 5DN) 1pm - 4pm
New to the game of bowls, or not played for a while? This event is a great opportunity to try your hand at bowls in a relaxed and friendly environment. Make new friends while enjoying pleasurable, outdoor exercise and free refreshments. All equipment can be provided - guidance too if you want it. You just need to bring flat, smooth-soled shoes. All ages and abilities are welcome.

COME ALONG, HAVE FUN and be ready to be BOWLED OVER!
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Wednesday April 24
Barton and District Local History Group

St Mary's Church Hall, Burgate 7:30pm
Paul Johnson and Kevin Thompson "Crime and Punishment"

Monday April 29
Condiment Club - Living Later Life Well

(open to those aged 60+) Trinity Methodist Church 10am - 1pm
A fun morning of chutney making, take home your culinary creations!

£2.
Saturday May 4
Barton Market

Market Place and Butchery 8:30am - 2pm
Monthly market selling fresh food, crafts, second-hand tools, plus more.

Sunday May 5 and Monday May 6
Spring Craft Fair

Water's Edge 10am - 4pm
Shop handmade crafts from local makers.

Free Admission

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The Ropewalk
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Annual Report 2023 - 24

A Word from the Mayor

As you will see with our Annual Report for 2023-24 the Town Council has been proactive in delivering services to our community. We are consulted by North Lincolnshire Council with regards to planning applications within Barton and often make comments on particular applications.

We have a Finance and General Purposes Committee that make recommendations to the Council and agrees budgets of other working groups. These working groups consist of Environment that delivers schemes for example, bulb planting, hanging baskets and a number of environmental schemes including control of the grass cutting budget that has been devolved from North Lincolnshire Council. The Community Working Group delivers and organises events including the Christmas Festival, Picnic in the Park and the Market. The Town Council also aid grants to organisations; for instance Barton Lions towards their fabulous firework event, now firmly a must-see display. Other donations to name a few go towards Barton Carnival, Barton Bike Night, the Town Bus Service and the Sunday opening of our public conveniences.

The Town Council consists of 12 elected councillors who are volunteers and deliver schemes that are extra and provide a more targeted service than North Lincolnshire Council. This means that the council tax you pay for Barton Town Council stays in and is spent within Barton.

With the funding for the next financial year it has been decided to raise the Town Council Precept by 37.7%. This increase is mainly due to provision for refurbishing our Assembly Rooms, a Listed Building in need of repairs, preparation budget to employ a part-time handy person to do minor but necessary maintenance throughout our town and employing a member of the office staff to help with all the extra administration. This means for instance for the forthcoming financial year, a band A property will pay £40.47 a band D will pay £60.70 and a band H property will pay £121.40 a year for Barton Town Council.

Can I take this opportunity as Mayor to thank the office staff and the councillors for their commitment and dedication to our Town.

Councillor Keith Vickers
Mayor of Barton upon Humber

Finance & General Purposes

Over the last year the Council has worked really hard to continue serving the community with a wealth of great services. I am pleased to report that the Bartonian publications, delivered six times a year to more than 5000 residents, has been cost neutral as has the monthly Market. This is due to a lot of hard work from the councillors

and staff who are continually diligent in making budgets work. The Council has agreed to fund the repair and replacement of all of the Assembly Room windows drawing down reserves to fund this important project. I am pleased to report that there has been no overspend on the overall budget and this is due to grant income of around £16K being

received to help fund all the fantastic projects, which include Up the Pole Planters on lamp posts, a Feasibility Study on the Assembly Rooms, event grants and Neighbourhood Planning. Thanks to all the staff and councillors involved in those projects. Following the upgrade of the website the Council will be publishing from April 1 all newly

approved policies and procedures as well as accounting reports. Much work is being done to update all of the policies and procedures.

Tracey Davis
Town Clerk/RFO

Planning

The Planning Committee scrutinises every planning application for Barton upon Humber. Over the last year we have also looked at some of the larger applications for development in surrounding villages as these also impact on the services and infrastructure in Barton.

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 10, 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 that is the Planning

Authority. The Planning Authority makes the final decision on whether applications are successful but take Barton Upon Humber Town Council Planning Committee's views into account as one of the statutory consultees in the planning process. By the end of this year the committee will have considered over 80 planning applications, down a little from the 90 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. This year the committee has also requested that when a development of 10 or more dwellings is submitted, the developer makes a contribution to services provided by the Town Council. This is known as Section 106 funding, and is in addition to similar funding requests made by North Lincolnshire Council.

Councillor Nigel Pinchbeck
Chairman of Planning Committee

Environment Committee Annual Report

We have continued improving the local environment and biodiversity this year. Projects included additional wildflower planting on Ramblers Way and the Haven bridge by the station. We have budgeted to do more of this next year including re-seeding Butts Rd, and sowing on the Pasture Road and Falklands Way junction.

The planting scheme for the planters around the town will be more pollinator friendly next year, and some will have more shrubs and perennial plants. Look out also for our first "edible" planters with herbs and tomatoes.

The lamppost planters which are replacing the much-loved hanging baskets, will be installed and planted in time for this spring with pollinator

friendly plants with funding from UKSPF. A budget has been set aside to plant these in future years and to test the lampposts as required.

Bulb planting work with bluebells and wood anemone, on Caistor Road started last autumn. We are very grateful to Barton Lions for help funding the bulbs and the volunteers who planted them. In total we have raised £3100 in external

funding towards environmental improvements this year.

Finally, it remains for me to thank the committee members, volunteers and Town Council staff for their support to make all this happen.

Councillor Neil Jacques
Chair of Environment Committee

Community

It has been another busy year for the Community Committee. We have now realigned budgets to cover all events rather than setting budgets individually. This has now allowed us to be more fluid in making the most of all events. The Picnic in the Park benefitted from this by being able to book in free mini-golf as an addition to the event and made for a fantastic day that was enjoyed by all. I would like to thank the Barton and District Athletics Club for their fantastic support in running the races that were well attended. We have also started to adapt the

Christmas Festival by moving some of the budgets to provide more street entertainment and things to do as you walk around the event and involving more schools and local groups than ever. This combined with good weather conditions made for another successful Festival and light switch on.

The monthly market on the first Saturday of the month in the Market Place and Butchery continues to go from strength to strength with more new stalls joining alongside some of our monthly favourites. We continue to look for ways to improve

and expand on this great addition to our market town. The Bartonian publication that is produced working with Barton Tourism Partnership continues to be delivered to every house in the town by a dedicated group of volunteers every other month keeping residents up to date on what's going on in Barton. The work put in by the editorial team to keep the content relevant and informative has made it the envy of surrounding areas who would love to have something similar in their area. The Community Committee has also provided grants to support

other events and groups too such as Bonfire night, Bike Night, the Barton Carnival and the Armed Forces Veterans' Breakfast Club as we see the importance that they provide to the town.

I would like to thank all members of the committee that work hard to make all of this possible as well as the staff in the Town Council office that work very hard to pull together all of the decisions made by the committee.

Councillor Ben Troop
Chairman of Community Committee

The Neighbourhood Plan

The Neighbourhood Plan has progressed greatly over the last year. Design Codes and Heritage assessments have been completed and the Draft Neighbourhood Plan has undergone statutory public consultation for six weeks. Thank you to all who have contributed. All feedback has been taken into consideration and the draft Neighbourhood Plan amended

to reflect comments received. North Lincolnshire Council, the Local Planning Authority, are now undertaking environmental scoping assessments. Once it is satisfied it can progress it will go to a further formal consultation stage called Regulation 16. Following this there will be a Referendum where everyone on the electoral register in Barton will have the chance

to vote on whether it should be adopted. The Neighbourhood Plan has been funded mostly by Central Government Funding and also the Town Council and the Barton Upon Humber Civic Society. Huge thanks to all of the committee members who have all worked really hard over the last year, to Design Yorkshire who have given such great commitment to Barton Upon Humber, to Urban

Glow for the excellent Non-Designated Heritage Statement, to North Lincolnshire Council NP Officer and to the Town Council staff. Please look out for up and coming consultation dates, everyone's input is very welcome.

Veronica Pettifer
Chairman of Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

COUNCILLORS MEETING ATTENDANCE 2023/2024

Information:	
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 K Vickers	
Deputy Mayor - Cllr N Jacques	
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	

Cllr Name	Full Council							Planning							Environment		Community		F&GP										
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NB. This information was correct as of 26th February 2024

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2023/24

Expenditure 2023/2024

£ Budget	Service Class	
62400	Community	(Bartonian, Markets, Town Events & Grant Awards)
13629	Environment	(Grasscutting, Wildflower, Beds & Planters & all sustainable projects)
15333	Public Building	(Assembly Room)
105580	Central Administration	(Staff Cost, Town Council Office costs & all support costs)
2850	Civic Expenses	(Mayor and Councillor expenses)
199792	Town Council Precept	

NB 2023-2024 Budget was made up of £33K from reserves which kept the level of the precept to 0% increase.

Tracey Davis
Town Clerk/RFO Barton Upon Humber Town Council

Where does the funding come from?

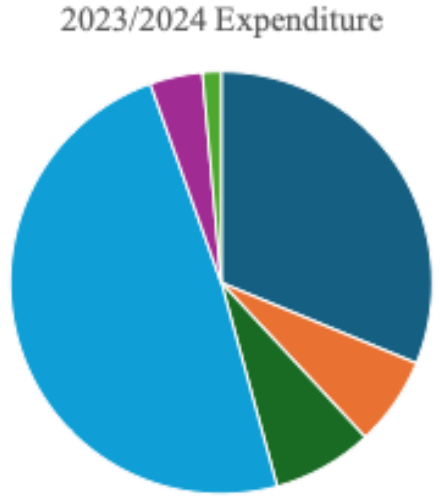
- Annual Precept
- Markets
- Bartonian
- Grants Received

Where does the money go to?

- General Administration running costs
- Town events to include Christmas decorations
- Grants awarded to local community groups and projects
- Environmental projects eg, wildflower verges and sustainable planting
- Assembly Rooms maintenance and improvements

Cost Free projects!

- Monthly Markets
- Bartonian
- Grasscutting and Public Right of Ways maintenance



Community Environment Public Building Central Administration Establishment Charge Other

GRANTS AWARDED

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.

In 2023/24 the council has supported:

- Allotment Society - £150
- Barton Area Food Bank - £3000
- Barton Armed Forces & Veterans - £600
- Barton Bike Night - £2000
- Barton Carnival - £2000
- Barton Lions - £2000
- Barton Park Bowls Club - £253.50
- Barton Tourism Partnership - £6000
- Humber & Wolds Rural Action - £500

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

- Town Bus Grant - £ 2200
- Barton Public Conveniences Cleaning - £1458
- Maintenance of Town Clock - £213.40
- CCTV - £846.02

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 or found on our website:

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Barton Upon Humber Lions CIO 26th Annual Beer Festival 2024

Barton Lions is happy to announce that planning is now under way for this year's Beer Festival to be held at Baysgarth Park on Friday, May 31 and Saturday, June 1.

It would not be possible to facilitate this event without the support of friends, family and sponsors, as well as members of the community who attend. Funds raised enable Barton Lions to provide support for many of our residents, groups and charities in times of need. By working in partnership with many local community and charity groups the Lions provides services and support in Barton and surrounding areas.

Environmental Project

The Barton Lions has now completed the planting of saplings to offset the Carbon Footprint of the 2023 Beer Festival. A mixture of Crab Apples, Wild Cherry and Rowan were planted on the mound opposite the recently planted copse. Additionally a batch of Hawthorn saplings were planted to complete a section of hedging in the Water's Edge car park.



A big thank you to volunteers, Ben Andrew and Rod North from the Friends of the Barton Line and Chris Kirton from the Friends of the Barton Lions for assisting with the planting.

BARTON CHURCHES TOGETHER

Easter Services

Monday 25 7pm at Salvation Army
 Tuesday 26 12.30 at Trinity
 Wednesday 27 7pm at St. Mary's
 Maundy Thursday 28 2pm (after older persons lunch) at Trinity
 Good Friday 29 10.15am Trinity
 10.45am Walk of Witness to St. Augustine from Trinity
 11am Churches Together service at St Augustine
 Easter Sunday 10am at Trinity

George's Legacy

Hello everyone, by the time you read this article, we will be approaching the third anniversary of George's death by suicide on April 30, 2021.

It's hard to comprehend that it's three years, since we had our last conversation. People have said time is a healer, I'd say it's not, you just learn to live and ride the grief differently.

Last year was an incredible busy year in promoting Mental Health, and Suicide awareness prevention campaign. On February 8 we held the second community action group on tackling Mental Health and getting our youth to talk about their emotions in conjunction with North Lincs Council and partner agencies. Unfortunately, I couldn't attend as I was also involved in a study by Northumberland University on suicides within the veteran community.

Later in the month Carol and I attended the Mayor's Ball, where I gave a speech on mental health and George's story.

March 22 saw Carol and I attend the findings of the study at the House of Lords with Baroness Fooks. Earlier in the morning we were guests of our MP Martin Vickers and Ann, which included PM's Questions where George's name was acknowledged by Rishi Sunak and the work we do in Mental Health.

June saw the first Liked Minds concert promoting Mental Health running alongside the Barton Carnival. This was one of the actions, from the community action group and in August we held George's Day and once again it was a great success, in remembering George, but also raising money for Hull4Heroes.

September saw us attending the BBC Make a Difference Awards and what an emotional afternoon when my name was read out as the winner of the volunteer category and the following month Carol raised £900 for Hull & East Yorkshire Mind through holding a psychic event, Medium Joe.

In January this year I attended Baysgarth school, and told our story about losing George, and how important it is to talk about our emotions and feelings. This was delivered to three groups and in total 360 students. The feedback I've received has been overwhelming and rewarding. In fact I've thrown down the gauntlet for other schools to get in touch, I am so passionate about this



subject. In February we held George's Night, which saw over 110 people attend and dance the night away with the Silver Circle Band and we raised £1605 for Hull & Easy Yorkshire Mind.

George's Day returns on Sunday August 25 with more details to follow later, but please make a note in your diaries and come on down to Barton Town Football Club and have some fun, whilst remembering George.

In summary another year of fantastic support for George's legacy as we continue to raise awareness of Suicide and Mental Health, and getting emotions out.

Adrian

A New Era for Baysgarth

After almost a decade in post, Richard Briggs, Headteacher of Baysgarth and Federation Lead for the Riverview Family of Schools, recently left to pursue a new endeavour as the CEO of a local trust.

During his tenure, Richard drove forward the transformation of Baysgarth. Upon his appointment, the school was one of the weakest in the authority, however, after overseeing the move to a state-of-the-art new building, later securing significant investment to enhance teaching and sporting facilities, developing a dedicated and experienced team, and cultivating a culture of positivity and ambition, Baysgarth has consistently been one of the top performing schools in the region for the past seven years.

Richard fostered an almost family-like atmosphere within the Riverview team. He advocated valuing each other's skills and knowledge, collaborating on best practice, and to always keep students at the centre of every decision made. As an innovative practitioner, Richard inspired staff and students alike to thrive, pursue their goals, believe in their potential, and be the best versions of themselves each and every day. Richard was relentless in his efforts and commitment to improving the lives of young people, and we wish him the best of luck in his new role.

As an educational provider for the town for almost 50 years, Baysgarth is currently undergoing a period of change. However, Richard leaves a strong legacy in Jade Driscoll, who was his deputy during his tenure at Baysgarth. Together their partnership has led to the creation of a strong and stable team which means Jade is able to assume the role of Federation Lead for Riverview, providing continuity and stability. As the former Head of School at Baysgarth, Jade firmly believes that care and respect come first and outstanding teaching and learning will naturally follow. Jade's vision for the future is to nurture an inclusive learning environment to enrich the experiences and opportunities for all students. Jade champions celebrating difference, taking risks and prioritising the needs of students above everything else to equip them with the tools and skills to be successful and happy. Investing in staff development and focusing on continually improving teaching and learning from Foundation to Key Stage 4, Jade has a clear mission with the full support and confidence of the school community behind her, and we are excited to see what is next.

Baysgarth has been continuously graded a Good school by Ofsted for more than 10 years, and will continue

on the journey to Outstanding under the navigation of Jade and the expertise of the senior leadership team.

As one of the fundamental pillars of the local community, Baysgarth, as part of Riverview, proudly provides high-quality education to children in the area from the age of three to 16 years. As we move into the next era, a proposal to form a Multi-Academy Trust (MAT) is currently underway to extend this offer. Riverview currently comprises Baysgarth, Castledyke Primary School, Headway AP, the Get Ahead Partnership, the Sports Village and the Riverview Institute for Teacher Education, and the proposal is to join with The Market Weighton School, Market Weighton Infant School and Wyke College as co-founders of a brand-new and bespoke MAT structure. With a united vision and aligned ethos, the proposed MAT will work together to further develop the supportive and inspirational education already provided by each provision.

As the half-century anniversary of Baysgarth approaches next year, we are excited for the future and are confident that together, we will continue to offer local children the best possible start for many more years to come!

The Ropewalk Print Fair

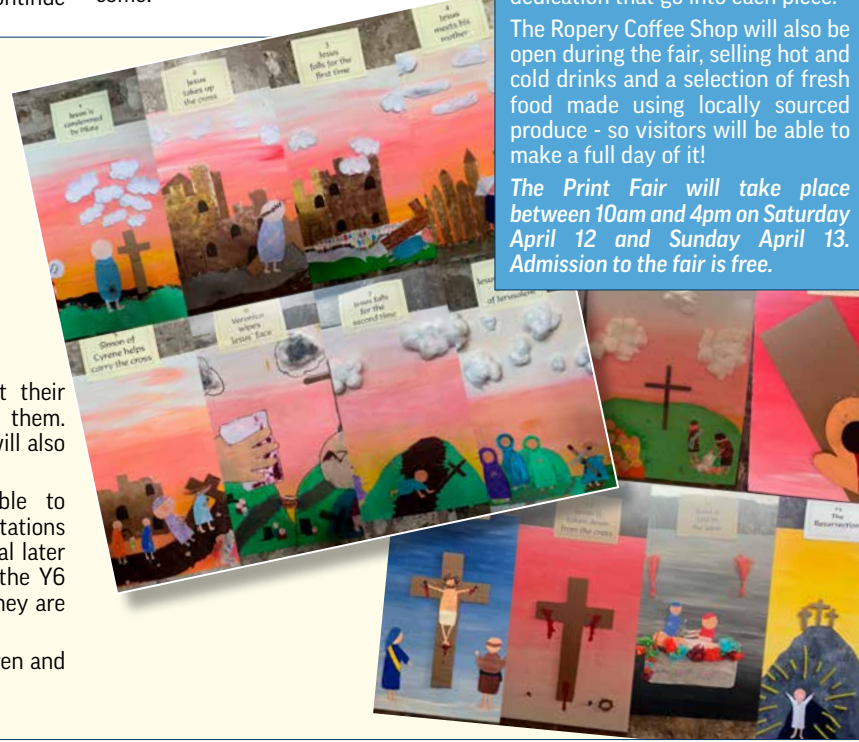
The Ropewalk is hosting its first Print Fair this April, selling and showcasing affordable art from more than 30 printmakers.

At the Fair visitors can expect a diverse array of prints from more than 30 artists spanning various styles, themes, and mediums. Whether it's traditional etchings, contemporary digital prints, or experimental mixed-media creations, there's something to appeal to all. From scenic landscapes to abstract compositions, the diverse nature of printmaking will be on full display.

Alongside the opportunity to admire and purchase artwork, visitors will also be able to engage with the printmakers, gaining insights into their creative process, inspirations, and techniques. It's a rare chance to peek behind the curtain and witness firsthand the passion and dedication that go into each piece.

The Ropery Coffee Shop will also be open during the fair, selling hot and cold drinks and a selection of fresh food made using locally sourced produce - so visitors will be able to make a full day of it!

The Print Fair will take place between 10am and 4pm on Saturday April 12 and Sunday April 13. Admission to the fair is free.



Barton St Peter's Stations of the Cross Project

On Wednesday, February 21 2024, the children of Barton St Peter's had the privilege of attending a service in St Mary's Church led by the Reverend Alan Wright to bless and dedicate the Stations of The Cross art installation that our Y5 and Y6 children have made as part of the Growing Faith initiative.

This is an initiative being promoted by the Church of England to try and create greater cohesion between church, schools and families.

of the story as they wished but great cohesion was created with the story flowing.

The 15 canvases tell the story of Jesus being led to his place of Crucifixion through to the Resurrection. The children worked in groups of four and five and each group was allocated a particular part of the story to represent in art. Their chosen media was collage. The children were then given free rein to interpret each stage

They are stunning pieces and will be a permanent feature in St Mary's for everyone to see. In particular we hope families will go and see them thus strengthening the link between family and school.

foundation governor, all about their pieces and how they created them. We hope visitors to St Mary's will also enjoy looking at the artwork.

The Y6 children will be able to "compare" their work to the Stations of the Cross at Lincoln Cathedral later in the year when they attend the Y6 Church school festival, which they are very excited about.

We are very proud of the children and the work they have produced.

Barton Upon Humber Modelling Club

Come along and join us at the Barton Upon Humber Modelling Club. We meet on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month between 6.30pm and 8.30pm at the Assembly Rooms on Queen Street, Barton.

We bring and build our models, of all descriptions, we have members that build Lego and do cross stitch. We have an airbrush along with extraction box, for members' use.

If you have a hobby and you want to share it with likeminded people, then come along. We ask for £3 per person, with discounts for family members, to help pay for the room.

We have tea, coffee, squash and biscuits and they are included in the price. We ask for under 15s to be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Find us on Facebook, Barton Upon Humber modellers.

At Barton Park we believe that the game of bowls is not just a matter of life or death, it's more important than that!

Hence the feverish early pre-season works have already commenced on the green under the expert stewardship of Steve Clapson along with his band of merry volunteers. The timing and completion of this work is essential for both the health of the green and suitability as a highly regarded quality playing surface. Despite the inclement weather the preparations are progressing well, and to plan.

In addition to the health of the green the health and wellbeing of our members both old and new is of paramount importance. Our green is an essential meeting place for all to either participate or watch a game whilst enjoying the company of other members and a cup of tea after! A most valuable community asset, set in the beautiful surroundings of Baysgarth Park.

So, looking forward to the warmer seasons of Spring and Summer, Barton Park will be competing in five leagues and competitions. From the gentle and less competitive Tuesday Afternoon League through to the



Barton Park Bowls Club

more competitive Scunthorpe League, there is a competition for everyone! The Club is actively seeking new members of any age, size or shape and all are most welcome! With this in mind the Club will be holding its first roll up on Sunday April 14 at 2pm. Free of charge to all members and newcomers alike, and all are

most welcome. Full instruction, assistance and equipment will be provided, just bring some flat shoes or trainers for use on the green!

We look forward to meeting you all on the 14th, be there on the square!

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Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance

2023 was Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance's busiest year in history.

Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance has experienced its busiest year on record, responding to 1,771 missions in the last 12 months. The charity's crews of pilots, doctors and paramedics responded to 541 missions in Nottinghamshire, 1,044 in Lincolnshire and the remaining 181 in the surrounding counties. Critically ill and injured patients were taken to hospitals including Nottingham's Queen's Medical Centre, Hull Royal Infirmary, Sheffield Northern General and Lincoln County Hospital. CEO, Karen Jobling said: "Each year the number of missions we attend increases. But we start a new year with great optimism. 2024 is the 30th anniversary for Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance and we have ambitious plans for the next 12 months so that we can be by the side of more patients. As a charity, we receive no direct government funding for our operations and we rely on the support of people in every community in Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire for the £10million needed to operate 24 hours of the day, every day of the year. We thank everyone who has supported us in whatever way and enabled us to be by the side of patients, day and night."



Banking Hub Award

Chair of Barton Civic Society **Neil Jacques** presents a good mark to banking Hub manager **Mairi Wingate** and **Mel Goddard** in recognition of the new banking service now open in Barton.

1914 to 2024

Castledyke Primary School is 110 years old!

This year we celebrate 110 years of providing education for the children of Barton. We are very proud of our wonderful school!

The school will be celebrating throughout the year with various events. Look out for our photographs on our Facebook and Instagram pages.

We are wondering if there are any readers who may have any photographs of the school building from before 1999. We had a flood in 2018 and a lot of our photographs in the archives were destroyed.

We hope you can help!

Move a little more this year!

If you'd like to get moving more this year, feeling less stiff and achy, and improving your fitness and general wellbeing, come to one of our exercise classes!

Open to anybody aged 60+, the Living Later Life Well Project runs weekly sessions in Pilates, Yoga, Chair-Based Exercise and Table Tennis. The focus is on gentle exercise to build your fitness steadily, and classes are tailored to your ability level, so beginners are very welcome. Sessions are based in the Lecture Hall at Trinity Methodist Church, Holydyke, and run by qualified instructors and volunteers. Our classes are very friendly and sociable, with a mix of ages and abilities. Perhaps you're newly retired and would like to pick up a new hobby? Or perhaps you'd like to meet some new people and enjoy some time out of the house? For a chat about any of the sessions below, contact Jo Marwood (Living Later Life Well Project Manager) on jo.marwood.bartontrinity@outlook.com or 07821 900623. Pre-booking is not essential for these sessions, you're welcome to turn up - please come 15 minutes early to your first session to complete a registration form.

- **Pilates - Mondays, 10am - 11am, £4.00 (bring a yoga mat and a bottle of water)**
- **Chair-Based Exercise - Tuesdays, 10.30am - 11.30am, £2.00 including refreshments**
- **Yoga - Tuesday, 1pm - 2pm, £4.00 (bring a yoga mat and a bottle of water)**
- **Table Tennis - Wednesdays, 1.30pm - 3pm, FREE and refreshments available**

The Living Later Life Well project runs activities for people aged 60+, to reduce loneliness and social isolation in our older community.

Our programme includes exercise classes, craft workshops, guitar sessions, a choir, a Book Club, coffee mornings, trips and more!

Bi-monthly newsletters are available from Trinity Methodist Church and various outlets around Barton, on our Facebook page www.facebook.com/LivingLaterLifeWell or by emailing jo.marwood.bartontrinity@outlook.com.

Delays have meant rising cost of materials but we are confident that costs will eventually be met. Our most recent funding has come from an offer from North Lincolnshire Council of £5,000 towards landscaping, paths and paving. The funding for this necessary project is totally independent of money given for food.

The next large task to complete is a review of need and attendance at the Food Bank. We are open to criticism if we are not accountable to the public, especially to our donors, if we do not use our funds wisely and monitor, in confidence, those who attend the food bank.

It is very evident to us that there are many more people in our community who do not attend the food bank for various reasons. Please come along to the Salvation Army Church, Tofts Road and speak to us in confidence in a separate room if you wish and perhaps later in the afternoon when it is quieter i.e. any Tuesday or Friday afternoon between 2-4.5pm and 3-30pm. Please don't hesitate, we can help. If you would prefer to speak to the public, especially to our donors, please ring or text the food bank mobile which is 07526 472683. We can ring you back if you are low on credit. The other number on our leaflet is 01652 637312, which is the Salvation Army office who will pass a message to us.

We can be found on the Charity Commission website by typing in Barton Area Food Bank, having clicked on "search the charity register."

For further details, please ring either of the above numbers or email bartonareafoodbank@gmail.com

GP services and dentistry

Barton Town Council have an ongoing concern about the access to both GP services and dentistry. As well as raising it with the local NHS the Council contacted MP **Martin Vickers** to raise the issue. **Below is the response.**

Everyone who needs NHS dentistry should be able to access it to keep their teeth and mouths healthy, but I know there have been challenges here in Barton with people struggling to get the appointments they need. I have been regularly sharing these concerns with ministers in Government and I am absolutely clear that people in our area must be able to get the appointments and care they require. I am therefore pleased that the Government has been listening to local views and has now published our £200million NHS Dental Recovery Plan, delivering 2.5 million more dental appointments over the next year to improve access to dental care.

To help the areas with the highest demand quickly, dental vans are being launched to reach more isolated communities, including in rural and coastal areas. In the longer term, around 240 dentists will be offered one-off payments of up to £20,000 to work in under-served areas for up to three years, helping to attract new NHS dentists.

We also need to make sure that NHS work is more attractive to dental teams, so we are building on our recent reforms to the NHS dental contract which paid dentists more fairly for complex work. The NHS Dental Recovery Plan will introduce a New Patient Premium payment to incentivise dentists to treat around a million new patients who have not seen an NHS dentist in two years or more. The minimum value of activity will also increase from £23 to £28 and high-performing practices will also be able to deliver extra work on top of their contracted activity, encouraging dentistry professionals to do more NHS work.

Martin Vickers
MP for Cleethorpes

Progress is also being made as part of our NHS Long Term Workforce Plan, announced last summer. By 2031-32, the number of training places for dental professionals will increase by 40%, bringing the number of dentist training places to more than 1,100 and dental therapy and hygiene professionals to more than 500. This will ensure that the UK is training the dental workforce needed to deliver quality care for patients.

As part of the recovery plan, more preventative care is being rolled out for younger children to help reduce tooth decay before it even starts. The Smile for Life programme will offer parents-to-be further advice while babies and toddlers in nurseries having tooth brushing as part of the daily routine, so that every child in primary school will see tooth brushing as a normal part of their day. These measures build on the success of our Family Hub programme which now has 400 sites across England, providing parents a single place to go to for family support and advice.

I will be speaking to dental teams across the Cleethorpes constituency over the coming weeks and months to hear more about their experiences, but I am confident this will go a long way to help local people get the care they need.

Needless to say, there will not be an overnight improvement, but I hope in the very near future my constituents will find it easier to access dental services. By sticking with the plan, we will deliver more appointments to help boost access to dentistry in Barton, reduce tooth decay in young children and ensure that everyone can access the quality care that they deserve.

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The Clinic

Many people in Barton will remember 50 Holydyke as "The Clinic". During the war years and until 1993, it was the base for the Health Visitors and District Nurses, who held mother and baby clinics, school clinics and from where dried baby milk, concentrated orange juice and Cod Liver Oil were issued. Now called Applegate House it offers residential care, support and enablement for adults aged 18 years and over with autism and associated learning difficulties.
 Thanks to John French for additional information.



One of the public Air Raid Shelters built to protect Barton residents during the Second World War is in the grounds of Holydyke on the corner of Holydyke and Fleetgate. It is pictured here during a Heritage Open Day when the public were allowed to enter and see what it would have been like during an aid raid.



Providence House, until recent times used as the Library, was originally built for Thomas Tomblinson in 1864. The National Children's Homes bought it in 1920 to use as an orphanage. It was closed in 1940 and the children moved to Lancashire, with the military taking the house over. The field on the opposite side of Holydyke was also owned by the NCH and a Fire Station was built there. The house is now awaiting re-development into 16 apartments.



Some of the children at the Providence House children's home

The Waverley Hotel, on the junction of Holydyke and Fleetgate, hosted an important visitor in c1920, when General Bramwell Booth, the son of the founder of the Salvation Army visited Barton. He was touring the area. He is sitting in the back seat, nearest to the camera. Picture by Bert Parker.



Providence House was used as an annex to Castledyke County School for senior pupils. Here is Mr Clark's class in c1952.

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Obituaries

Mandy Johnson

Mandy was born Amanda Jane Garfoot, the 10th and last child of Winston and Frances Garfoot at 42 Ramsden Avenue in Barton and sister to Ivan, Valerie, Ramon, Stuart, Jean, Alan, Julia, Helen and Stephen and Auntie to the many that were to join the "Garfoot Clan"

She was christened at St Peters Church. When reflecting on why Mandy was number 10, she simply said that her mum and dad had finally reached the perfection they were after and so decided to stop.

Her father Winston moved to Barrow from South Lincolnshire with his widowed mother, at the age of 14 and had a delightful accent with a particular pronunciation of special words such as "New" becoming "Noo" and our favourite "Tuesday" became "Toosday" so it is particularly fitting that her send-off should have been a "Toosday"...It would really have made Mandy smile. He married Frances Turgoose whose mother Polly had a little shop next to the Wheatsheaf on the corner of Brigg Road.

Mandy enjoyed her upbringing on Ramsden Avenue and proudly tells all how she spent her childhood amongst all those lovely families in "Chinatown". Families such as the Hewitts (next door at number 40), the Sewells, Franklins, Tates, Roberts, Gouldthorpes, Farris and Franks to name but a few.

Both Granny Garfoot and Granny Turgoose also lived on Ramsden Avenue.

Mandy attended Barton County Junior school followed by Bereton Secondary school until she left aged 15 in 1977.

On leaving school, Mandy had planned to have the whole summer off and when asked by her mum "What are you going to do" she replied "I don't know". "Well, I do," said mum. "You are starting at Wendy's hairdressers across the street next Tuesday" - and that as they say was that!

Mandy was eventually to run several



shops for her brother Ivan including a wet fish shop called "Fran's Fish" along with her Mum a fashion shop surprisingly called "Fran's Fashions"

Of course everyone remembers Mrs Garfoot at the Launderette with Mandy as assistant, providing a great service for the people of Barton.

Mandy married Freddie Pearson and became the proud mum of Collette in 1987 and Emily in 1995 saying that her two daughters were her greatest achievements in life.

Mandy loved to accompany Collette and Emily to dance competitions mainly in Blackpool and would delight in dancing with the "Mum Squad". Mandy simply loved her dancing, particularly to Northern Soul music.

After Collette married Ben, Mandy was to become a dotting grandma to Libby and Ashton - Two more opportunities for her kindness to shine.

After her mum's death in 1990, Mandy cared for and nursed her dad until his death in 2001 - they always had this special father - daughter bond. Mandy was always the apple of her dad's eye, the "special one", a fact recognised by all the family.

Mandy then got her dream job working with Margaret at her little shop near the railway station, the best job ever she said and Margaret's daughter Angie and Sharon would become two of her best friends. They would introduce her to a social life and a circle of friends that she had not known for years (affectionately known as "The Coven"). Mandy had an amazing group of friends.

Mandy was to meet Adam in 2009 and would marry him in 2015 gaining a wonderful family in the process. She was so proud to become a step-mum to Lauren, Jack and Harry and step grandma to Noah and Amina. All the family enjoyed a family get together usually at a BBQ created by Adam.

Mandy fought and won many battles with the dreaded big C but it was to eventually beat her. She fought with such bravery and determination becoming a shining example to all who loved her.

Mandy was especially close to all her sisters, Val, Jean, Helen and Julia she would meet with them at intervals during every year to have a meal and a catch up.

As recently as January 21 this year there was to be a "Clan" gathering, a get together that was neither a wedding or a funeral, and there have been many of those over the years. A time for the remaining six of the Garfoot's to get together for what was to be the last time.

Rest in peace dear Mandy, Our queen.
Stuart Garfoot

Sheila Ellen Colwell

January 1 1932 to January 26 2024

Having created a number of beautiful gardens in Warwickshire Sheila turned her attention to Barton upon Humber in 2009 where she moved to be near her family. Purchasing a listed house in the town Sheila soon joined the Civic Society to indulge her love of history, help appreciate and get to know the varied buildings in this lovely town, while embracing Lincolnshire's wide open spaces and big skies.

Trips out relating to all things gardening were very much enjoyed including The Ropewalk Garden Days when Sheila was heard telling Liz Bennet of her occasional "polite gardening" involving not getting dirty. Never the less, her garden was filled with beautiful roses entwined with clematis, scented honeysuckle and jasmine on trellis together with mounds of fragrant herbs in raised beds, glossy shrubs and pots full of ferns for shady areas, with many seats provided for visitors.

Sheila also enjoyed a number of other creative outlets producing beautiful embellished freehand embroideries, tapestries, fabric boxes and birds, took art classes at Providence House to explore various new styles, together with workshops at The Ropewalk including silver jewellery making, printing and patchwork.

Ropery Hall provided for a number of film, music, and theatre outings which were greatly enjoyed particularly with her two daughters Louisa and Doretta, alongside social activities such as the Women's Institute and the Ladies Luncheon Club, where she once had the joy of meeting an old school friend from Warwick.



Many of these activities sadly did not survive the Covid pandemic, after which Sheila was obliged to make up her own entertainment. Music and the spoken word continued to be favourite past times particularly as her eyesight failed, eventually leaving her blind. The Lincoln and Lindsey Blind Society were a great support, providing befriending, advising on recording equipment and other lifestyle supports so that her creativity could continue in the form of short story writing, in which she covered a wide variety of subjects, with inventiveness and humour. This continued to the very end of her life while she was cared for with professionalism, respect and consideration at St Mary's Riverside, Hessele until that baton was passed to Lee at Hutsons and Tim Abrams to whom her family will always be grateful.

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Janet Oxley

Janet Elizabeth Oxley sadly passed away in January 2024 after a long illness.

Janet and her late husband John both served on Barton upon Humber Town Council for more than 60 years between them. Janet first joined the Council in May 1987, standing down in February 2021, two years after the sudden loss of her husband John.

Her service of 34 years to Barton was an incredible achievement. Janet also served as Mayor of Barton in 1995-96, 2004-05 and 2013-14, and also supported John as his Mayoress on three further occasions. They both represented Barton at various functions both in the town and across the local area from Withernsea in the East Riding of Yorkshire to Grimsby in North East Lincolnshire and Epworth in North Lincolnshire.

Janet was an active member of the Town Council, serving as Chairman of the Environment Committee on numerous occasions, and assisting with many bulb planting sessions around Barton. Please remember Janet with a smile when you see the daffodils this spring in any public verge in the town as she probably planted them.

Edwin Bellamy

Edwin Bellamy (known as Ted to close friends) passed away at home on December 16 2023 after a long illness.

Edwin's family would like to thank the Macmillan nursing team for their dedicated care and support in the final weeks of his life, and all the staff at H & J Hutson & Sons for their funeral arrangements. Heartfelt thanks also to Reverend Sally Long and Sue Brumpton for leading the funeral services.

Edwin was born in Hull and whilst at school became the first Hull schoolboy to gain the Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award, which he received in a presentation at Buckingham Palace in 1963. He went on to train as a teacher, starting his first teaching post in Stoke-on-Trent, where he met his future wife Christine, also a teacher at the same primary school. They married in 1970 and their daughter, Ruth was born in 1973, followed by their son, Paul in 1976. The family moved to Barton-on-Humber in 1975 when Edwin started a teaching position at Goxhill Primary School, later becoming Deputy Headmaster. He remained at Goxhill Primary until his retirement in 1996 and had many fond memories of his teaching career there. Edwin had a lifelong passion for



athletics and he started competing as an athlete in his teens, specialising in the 220 yards and the 440 yards events. In the 1960s he won the 220 yards at the East Yorkshire Championships. He moved on from competing to athletics coaching and officiating, joining Barton & District Athletics Club in 1975 as a club coach and then as club secretary. He started officiating as a timekeeper in 1975, and worked through the grades to become a chief timekeeper at local and national level athletics meetings. He was very knowledgeable about all

Philip Aelberry

The last headteacher of the Church School on Queen Street when it closed its doors in July 1978 after 133 years of service educating the children of Barton upon Humber and the first headteacher of Barton St Peter's on Marsh Lane, Philip John Aelberry died last year at a Norfolk Hospice at the age of 78.

Mr Aelberry, who was educated at Brigg Grammar School, left Barton in the early 1980s to take up the position of headteacher at Whitefriars Church of England Primary School in Kings Lynn, Norfolk, where he remained until he retired. A former deputy chairman Barton Civic Society he had two children Dominic and Benjamin by his first wife, Wilma, also a headteacher, who died in 1999.

A keen bridge player and musician Mr Aelberry was a contestant on Countdown in 2004 moved to Downton Market following his retirement. He is survived by his two children and his second wife, Ann.

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