



# Barnton Village Messenger

Barnton Parish Council



## Parish Council Updates

- ❖ **Photograph Competition:** Thank you to everyone who took the time and trouble to enter our photograph competition. We were delighted with the number and standard of entries received. After much deliberation the picture reproduced on our front cover was chosen. Thank you & congratulations to Stella Woodward for submitting this beautiful image of our village, which will now also form the new background to the homepage of our website.
- ❖ **Barnton War Memorial:**

The public consultation is now complete, and a design is being put together by consultants taking into account all responses and ideas.
- ❖ **Barnton Flower & Produce Show:** After 6 years of organising & running the show, the current organisers, Helen Kirsopp and Carol Ashdown, are stepping down after this years show. They are appealing for volunteers to come forward to take over after the management of the show for the future. Unless replacement volunteers can be found, this very popular and successful annual event will end. If anybody is interested in learning more about this role and whats involved, please contact the Clerk's office on 01606 781556, and we will put you in touch with Helen or Carol.
- ❖ **Barnton Parish Council Grant scheme awards:** This aims to support village-based organisations to deliver activities that will benefit the village community. The scheme is currently closed ; the Parish Council have made a total of 5 grant awards to successful applicants this year. The next scheme will relaunch in the Autumn.

# Election of new Barnton Parish Council Chair and Vice-Chair



At the full Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2019, (Election of Officers), The new Chairperson, Councillor Heather Clifford, and Vice-Chairperson, Councillor Andrew Webb were elected to serve Barnton Parish Council. Having lived in Barnton for the last 4 years, Councillor Clifford has been impressed by the village community spirit in Barnton. Councillor Webb will be a familiar face to many of you as the Minister of Barnton Lifechurch on Blackcroft Avenue. We wish them both every success in their new roles.

**Barnton Parish Council currently have two vacancies for new councillors.**

Anybody is welcome to come along and observe a monthly Full Council Meeting, to learn more about the issues your councillors are dealing with on your behalf and understand more about what they do.

Meetings are held in Council Chambers, at the Bungalow, Rosebank School. If you would like to find out more, please contact the Parish Clerk, Toni Critchlow, on 01606 781556 or via e-mail to :  
[barntonpc@gmail.com](mailto:barntonpc@gmail.com)

# The Role of your Parish Council

Your Parish council is the first tier of local government, and financed through the precept, an amount of money calculated as an estimate for the coming financial year and collected as part of your Council Tax. The Councils' activities fall into three main categories: representing the local community, delivering services to meet local needs, and improving quality of life and community well-being. The Council have a vital role in acting on behalf of the communities they represent. They give views on behalf of the community, on planning applications and other proposals that affect the parish; undertake projects and schemes that benefit local residents; work in partnership with other bodies to achieve benefits for the parish; alert relevant authorities to problems that arise or work that needs to be undertaken, and help other tiers of local government keep in touch with local needs. In other words, **your council can make a difference.**

Some of the specific responsibilities unique to Barnton include the provision, management and maintenance of Barnton cemetery, Runcorn Road Recreational Ground, Nursery Road Recreation Ground, the War Memorial at Jubilee Corner, 17 allotments and the responsibility for appointing a range of contractors in order to service the Parish's maintenance needs.

Although Barnton Parish Council employ a Village Orderly to keep the village free from litter, The council is **not** responsible for roads, pathways or street lighting, these are the responsibility of [Cheshire West and Chester County Council](#).

**❖ Date of Next Council Meeting: Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2019  
7.00pm at The Bungalow, Rosebank School. No meeting  
in August**

## Community Awards & certificates of Appreciation

Barnton Parish Council have awarded 2019 community awards to **Mr & Mrs Robert Steadman** along with **Nathan Harris**. Both attended the June meeting to receive Community Awards for their outstanding Voluntary Services within the Community. In addition, Certificates of appreciation were issued to **Barnton Cricket Club** and **Barnton Co-op** in recognition of their services to charity within the community. The Parish Council wish to extend their appreciation for all their hard work and commitment.



### Community Lunch Club & Prize Bingo

A reminder that these are held the lunch clubs are held on alternate Wednesdays at the Cricket Club on the following dates; July 3rd, 17th, & 31st; August 14th & 28th; September 11th & 25th; Oct 9th & 23rd; November 6th & 20th; December 4th & 18th.



## **Barnton Clean Team**

Barnton Clean Team (with support from Barnton Parish Council) was formed in 2019 in response to the growing litter problem on the verges, local roads and entrance to the village.

We hold a litter pick roughly every 4 – 6 weeks and use the Scout Hall on Church Road as a meeting and finishing point.

Its great to meet other Bartonians who have a similar mindset and want to make a difference in their local area.

We have a Facebook page 'Barnton Clean Team' and people are encouraged to post their individual litter picks, advise of areas that need to be cleared and share information. If you'd like to be part of the Clean Team please come along to one of the picks, please check the Facebook page or Council website for updates .

Please note equipment and insurance is only provided for group picks. You are responsible for your safety and those with you at all times.

Thank You for your support and showing you care about where you live.



## Barnton Juniors Football club

Barnton Academy: Saturday mornings 10-11 am

Barnton Junior Girls: Saturday afternoons 1-2 pm

Both sessions run by YouthKicks and located at Barnton Primary School.  
For enquiries, please message via Twitter @barntonjuniors

## Sir John Brunner Memorial Hall

There are a number of groups which regularly hold classes and events at the Memorial Hall, including National Blood Donor Sessions. For more details of these, or for other enquiries, including hire of the Hall, please telephone the Secretary on 01606 75153, or visit the websites at [www.barntonmemorialhall.co.uk](http://www.barntonmemorialhall.co.uk), and [www.nhsbt.nhs.uk](http://www.nhsbt.nhs.uk)

## Barnton Cricket Club

The Club are always open to new membership applications to join their existing social, and sporting membership. There are sections for cricket, squash and bowls. They also host many social and sporting events throughout the year, and their popular annual **Beer, Gin and Cider Festival** will be held over the weekend of **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July - Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July**. Please check out their website [www.barntoncc.co.uk](http://www.barntoncc.co.uk) or Facebook page for more details of this, and other events coming up.

## School's Out for Summer

A reminder that our two village schools will soon be breaking up for the long Summer holiday. We all want to keep our children safe. Please can motorists respect speed limits, and be extra vigilant of children playing outside.



# Barnton Community Group



## BARNTON SCARECROW COMPETITION 2019

### Theme: **Superheroes**



Open to all Barnton residents, organisations, churches and businesses

**SCARECROW TRAIL MAP + ANSWER/VOTING SHEET- FREE**

Trail Maps available from -

Facebook - [@BarntonCommunityGroup](#)

Barnton Community Nursery+Primary School

Post Office - Runcorn Road

Paper Shop - Lydyett Lane

Library - Townfield Lane

Northwich Antiques Centre, Runcorn Road

All proceeds given as prizes

• **Most correct Trail map answers**

• **Best scarecrows (1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>)**

Presentation: Barnton Village Show (14<sup>th</sup> Sept)



Trail map/Answer/Voting forms available – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July



# Barnton Rainbows and Brownies



Barnton Rainbows and Brownies meet during school term time at Barnton Community Primary School on a Tuesday night. During the year we follow a girlguiding program with the aim to learn something new, go on adventures and most of all have fun. We are exploring local areas like Marbury and Pettypool when the nights are light. This summer we are having a sleepover for the Rainbows and a pack holiday for the Brownies. We are staying in our new lookout lodge at Pettypool girlguiding site. This should be an exciting time for all of us.

If this is something you or your daughter would like to be involved in, please visit our Girlguiding UK website and put your name forward. The leaders who run the groups will pick up your information and get in touch with you to offer your daughter a place. If as an adult, you are interested in helping or becoming a leader you too can enter your name on the Girlguiding UK website. I will give you a ring for an informal chat to see which age group you would like to be a part of as I am the local District Commissioner. I will talk you through what you need to do next regarding DBS checks e.t.c.

I have many hats. I am both District commissioner and a Rainbow Leader. I've been a part of Girlguiding now for 20 years, I tell my husband it's my girly night out, because I really enjoy running my rainbow group. I originally started off as a Brownie Leader. I came into Girlguiding because my daughters' brownie unit was going to close. The plan was to help until they got someone permanent. As you can see, I became the permanent person. Be warned if you do join us, it's quiet addictive and you will make lots of friends, so you could end up giving 20 years too.

If you need any information before joining please give me a ring and I will try to help you. My mobile number is: 07734155133.

Sue Greenwood (AKA Brownowl) Marbury District Commissioner

# Rosebank School



## Governors Needed

Rosebank School are in great need of new governors with the skills and enthusiasm to engage in the improvement of the school and ensure we are achieving the best outcomes possible for our children.

Our friendly governing body come from a range of different backgrounds and offer different skills and experience but all share a common interest of wanting the best possible education for the children at Rosebank.

Governors are essential for the effectiveness and success of the school and it is an extremely rewarding and fulfilling role. All you need is a keen mind and a desire to ask challenging questions in the interest of improving the life chances of our children.

**If you are interested or know of somebody else who would be then please contact the school office on 01606 74975.**



## **PCSO Wiggins**

Just a few words from your PCSO Diana Wiggins 20322  
Summer is upon us but as yet we are waiting to enjoy some hot weather. Hopefully by the time the Children finish School for their well deserved Holidays we will then be able to enjoy nice weather.

I hold regular Police surgeries at Barnton library the dates are placed on the Cheshire Police website. If you have any issues or concerns then please attend to discuss. Police have conducted a number of successful drug warrants recently in the Barnton area, members of the community are encouraged to either contact the Police directly on 101 or by contacting crime stoppers on 0800 555 111. We all want to live in a safer community this is why we feel it is important for information regarding unwanted drug activity in your area.

I can be contacted via email if you would like to make contact - [Diana.Wiggins@cheshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Diana.Wiggins@cheshire.pnn.police.uk)

### **PCSO Surgery dates (Held in The Library, Townfield Lane)**

- 06 July 2019 10:30 - 12:00
- 12 July 2019 16:00 - 17:00
- 17 July 2019 14:00 - 15:00
- 27 July 2019 10:30 - 12:00

## Meet Gemma



*I'm Gemma Massey, and I work for Weaver Vale Housing Trust. After working for the Trust for over ten years, I have recently moved to the role of Customer Engagement officer for the Barnton area. I'm really keen to help support & promote what's happening in Barnton, and would love to hear more from the people that live in Weaver Vale Housing Trust properties as well. Weaver Vale is committed to hearing from our customers and offer lots of different opportunities to get involved and help shape the future of the Trust and the services we provide. If you want to know more about customer involvement or would like to speak to me about an event or activity in the area, please contact me on 01606 813475 or [gemma.massey@wvht.co.uk](mailto:gemma.massey@wvht.co.uk)*

## Other Useful Contacts

- **PCSO**                      **0845 458 6392**                      /                      **101 non- emergency calls**
- **BARNTON LIBRARY**                      **01606 274360**
- **OAKWOOD MEDICAL CENTRE**                      **01606 544241**
- **BARNTON DENTIST**                      **01606074234**
- **ARRIVA BUS CUSTOMER SERVICES**                      **0344 800 4411**
- **POST OFFICE**                      **0160674712**
- **DOG WARDEN**                      **0300 123 8123**
- **CHESHIRE WEST & CHESTER**                      **0300 123 8123**
- **BARNTON PARISH COUNCIL**                      **01606 781556**

If you would like to contribute to future editions, please contact:- **Toni Critchlow, Clerk to Barnton Parish Council, The Bungalow, Rosebank School, Townfield Lane, Barnton, CW8 4QP**