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# Editorial

Contributors are asked to note the new deadlines for submissions to each edition, as decided by the Parish Council— please see below. The next deadline will come around fairly quickly on May 1st so please get those articles and ads ready as soon as possible.

I do receive occasional feedback about the Newsletter, the majority of which is appreciative and grateful that the Parish Council continues to provide this service for residents. However, the assertion from one resident recently that *“the content within the newsletter is often repeated or irrelevant”* and that it is *“an appalling publication badly thrown together and can be a very boring read”* did somewhat take me aback. By my count, I’ve taken contributions from 17 different people or organisations for this particular edition, promoting their events and clubs, including a very personal story from Emily Martin on pp 18-19. In other words, a snapshot of village life. So if you think that’s boring or irrelevant, then you can always do something about it. This is your Newsletter and contains what you decide to send in for publication. Thanks to those who already use that opportunity and to everyone else, what are you waiting for...? Ed

## NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION DATES

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 VILLAGE EVENTS

**EVENT DIARY**

**T**o avoid village functions clashing on a particular date, a 5 year diary is held at the Post Office. If you intend to hold a significant activity please check that the date has not already been chosen by another organisation. Please also ensure that you make a record in the diary of your own event to try to pre-empt clashes as these could be damaging to your function and its income.

# GREAT BARTON PARISH COUNCIL

**[www.greatbarton.onesuffolk.net](http://www.greatbarton.onesuffolk.net)**

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS** are held at the Community Room in the Village Hall, commencing at 7.15 p.m.

Public Sessions are available for Parishioners to raise matters in which they are interested.

Notice of all Parish Council Meetings and any other important Parish Council information is posted regularly on the Parish Council notice boards outside the Post Office in The Street, by the Thurston Road mailbox, and at the Mill Road / Livermere Road crossroads and on the website.

Copies of the minutes of meetings of Great Barton Parish Council are available at a cost of 10p per page. Should you wish to avail yourself of this facility or, if you have any queries, please contact the Clerk to the Council.

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## **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2016/17**

### **2018**

**16th April**

**21st May**

**16th June**

**16th July**

**The full agenda for each meeting will be posted on the village notice-board 3 days in advance.**

**Dates can also be found on the village web-site:**

**<http://greatbarton.suffolk.cloud>**

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

When you think it's safe to say Spring is just around the corner and this was noticeable with snow-drops abundant and narcissi starting to reach for the sky, we experience the sharpest frost of the winter on 27<sup>th</sup> February and then 4-6 inches of snow which will still be visible into the first week of March.

There are 5 topics in my contribution to this Newsletter.

### **West Suffolk Operational Hub (WSOH)**

### **Housing Need Survey (HNS)**

### **Parish Council Budget 2017 and next Year**

### **Neighbourhood Plan – Where on the ladder towards adoption**

### **Mill Road Crossing Point**

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### **West Suffolk Operational Hub (WSOH):**

When St Edmundsbury Borough Council (SEBC) and its partners for the WSOH changed the planning application to be in accord with s38 (6) of the 2004 Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act and not in favour of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) paragraph 14 they still deemed a need for this HUB even though there were significant and unmitigated conflicts with large parts of St Edmundsbury Borough Council's Development Plan. As reported they voted by 10 votes to 5 in favour of the development. This application was referred to the Secretary of State who replied just prior to Christmas deciding the application was of a local matter and would not be "calling in" for his department's determination.

Many of you will have seen activity on the site and an update from SEBC stated the 2 Oak trees have been felled in the interests of visibility and safe access and to avoid the imminent bird nesting season. Additionally stage 2 of the archaeology work is being undertaken and will be present until the end of March.

The 3 Parish Councils of Fornham St Martin cum Genevieve, Fornham All Saints and Great Barton have requested through the Community Liaison Group (CLG) ongoing discussions with the developers (St Edmundsbury Borough Council, Forest Heath District Council and Suffolk County Council) during the construction phases to ensure we can forward to parishioners forthcoming events and provide feedback to SEBC et al. If there are concerns on aspects relating to the Hub then please contact Linda our clerk on 01284 787777 or e mail; [harley.parish@btinternet](mailto:harley.parish@btinternet).

### **Housing Need Survey (HNS)**

The Neighbourhood Plan through robust policies will allow this Parish to decide where and what type of development should happen in the Parish, providing it supports more development than is set out in the Local Plan of St Edmundsbury Borough Council (SEBC).

To support the Neighbourhood Plan with its planning policies the Parish Council chose to update its 2009 housing needs data to ascertain the requirements for further affordable housing. The survey was conducted at the same time as the Neighbourhood Plan questionnaire and a brief summary follows with a full report to come in the following weeks.

### **Great Barton Housing Survey 2017**

A survey to determine the need of housing across all tenure types in the Parish. The survey aimed to understand the existing and future needs for residents including family members (not necessarily living in the parish) and other members of the household

The study included-

General information on the current housing in Great Barton  
A Housing Survey to determine the housing needs of current households

#### Key Findings

Surveys returned completed, 465 out of 883 distributed = 53%

Respondents in favour of homes for older people, small family homes and homes for couples.

56 households identified a current need for 88 people.

24 households identified a need for 42 family members with a local connection wishing to live in or return to the village.

In total 80 households identified a need for 130 people in Great Barton.

#### **Parish Council Budget 2017 and next Year**

The Council Tax Bill for 2018/19 will shortly arrive and this year all sectors will be seeking an increase except for St Edmundsbury Borough Council. Over the last few months I have had more conversations surrounding this area than in all the time I have been a Parish Councillor.

The budget areas for the Parish Council are divided into 2 main areas, those funds allocated for specific projects and then a general reserve for the unforeseen circumstances. St Edmundsbury Borough Council (SEBC) supported Parish Council funding with a Parish Revenue and a Local Council Tax Support Grants which added on average £5100pa to the Parish Council's budget. This consequently reduced the Great Barton Parish precept to households. However, between 2013/14 to 2016/17 SEBC withdrew these support grants at 25% per annum and as a result this Parish Council revised its budget due to the loss of this revenue. The main area of saving was not to employ a litter picker for the Parish (*hence the reason we now have an annual litter pick – for 2018 this is on March 17<sup>th</sup> 10.00 o'clock at the Village Hall*) which saved around £3000pa and prudence in other budget areas.

Since 2013/14 the Parish Council budget has not risen in absolute terms and in 2017/18 it dropped by 1.2%. During the financial year 2017/18 we have seen 3 major areas of expenditure which were not foreseen at budget setting.

A major concern within the village is the speed of traffic, on the A143, Mill Road, Thurston Road and so on, and this Council considered the current mobile Vehicle Activate Sign (VAS) was inadequate in circulating around the village and its run time was poor. Consequently the Parish Council chose to purchase a second VAS at £3,350.00.

The West Suffolk Operational Hub (WSOH) has also seen expenditure on an independent traffic assessment to challenge the rationale from Suffolk Highways. This professional assessment was £1400.00. Taking legal advice and challenging the developers on the presumption the NPPF took precedence over the Borough's Local planning policies forced a re-think by SEBC. This expenditure was £7119.00. Both Fornham Parish Councils have contributed towards these WSOH costs.

To update our Housing Needs with a survey alongside the Neighbourhood Plan questionnaire.

This survey in 2009 was fully funded externally when the village undertook the Parish Plan but in 2017 has to be funded locally at a cost of around £4000.

This exceptional expenditure has resulted in reducing the General Reserve from £25595 at April 2017 to £13163 in November of the same year. Additionally, the new General Data Protection Regulation is predicted to cost around £2000 in this financial year to ensure we are compliant with this new legislation.

With the General Reserve at a level that I have not seen in the 13 years as a Parish Councillor and to have the resources to serve Great Barton parishioners there will be a 7.5% rise in the Parish Council proportion of your Council Tax bill. This is an increase of around £2.45 per household and since the withdrawal of the Parish Revenue and the Local Council Tax Support Grants in 2013/14 the Parish Council's increase over the last 6 years has averaged 1.88% per annum.

## The Neighbourhood Plan steps and where we are towards adoption

1

- Specify & Agree the area of the plan with Local Authority. This is the whole Parish of Great Barton.
- Neighbourhood Plan produced through the Working Group in a collaboration arrangement with Great Barton Parish Council.

2

- Identify the key themes and aims that require research, research the issues .
- Comprehensively consulting with the community.

3

- Engage with all stakeholders in the community. Identifying the key themes and aims.
- Gathering the evidence; testing ideas and consulting the community

4

- Build an evidence base to justify the eventual policies and proposals
- Developing the policies and consulting with the community
- Produce a draft plan for public consultation.

5

- Finalising the Plan and consulting the community on the final version
- Ensure the objectives are expressed as planning policies.

6

- Validate the policies , cross referencing the evidence from community engagement
- Submitting the Plan to St Edmundsbury BC who then publish it for further consultation

7

- Independent examination of the Plan
- The Independent Examiner checks it conforms to national and local policy

8

- Modifications to the Plan may be recommended by the Independent Examiner

9

- SEBC organise a Referendum
- A majority of people voting must support the plan if it is to be adopted by the local planning authority.

10

- The local planning authority will then bring the plan into force
- The plan will then become part of the formal development plan for the area.

**We Are Here**

## **Mill Road Crossing Point**

The idea of a crossing along Mill Road has been with this Council and the Freedom Church for the last 3 years. School Road is busy around the primary school during drop off and collection of pupils by parents/guardians, and to many a scheme is required to alleviate a potential incident/accident. The availability of parking at the Freedom Church and then walking to the Primary School has been provided by the Freedom Church but crossing Mill Road is the negativity to the facility provided.

Suffolk County Council (SCC) was requested to devise and cost a crossing scheme. A scheme came forward in the middle of 2016 and before a decision was undertaken a site meeting between SCC, Freedom Church and the Parish Council was arranged. This raised concerns over the crossing point due to the layout of Mill Road (straight, good visibility for motorists with the probability to exceed the advisory speed limit). In March 2017 Kier with Alpha Consultants on behalf of SCC undertook a Safety Check. To move this programme forward the Parish Council awaits the findings of the professional services attached to this scheme being provided by SCC Highways and kindly paid for by our County Councillor, Rebecca Hopfensperger.

These services include:

- Extra Site visits
- Design drawings
- Construction cost estimate
- Requesting utilities plans
- Overhead cable assessments
- Highway boundary checks
- Traffic management plans and diversion routes
- Checking vehicle turning movements from driveways for safety
- Hazard identification and risk assessments
- Put together the works pack.

All the above data, and comments raised locally will then be reviewed by Great Barton Parish Council in consultation with the Freedom Church on whether to proceed with the construction of a crossing point near the Freedom Church. The estimated costs for construction will be around £4031.72 plus VAT.

Wishing you all a very happy Easter.

Philip Reeve - Chairman - March 2018.



**Great Barton Community Litter Pick**  
**Saturday 17th March**  
**10 am to 1pm.**

Meet in the Village Hall car park.

Safety vests and equipment will be provided, please bring your own gloves.

Children welcome with adult supervision.

Full guidance will be provided for  
volunteers.

Any questions please contact Linda  
Harley 01284 787777  
harley.parish@btinternet.com

Hot dogs served from 12.30pm

## GREAT BARTON VILLAGE HALL

The Village Hall Management Committee is looking forward to what will hopefully be another successful year and hopes that you will continue to use our Hall as much as you did last year.



One of our distressing problems is the large 'lake' which forms outside the entrance to the Hall every time there is a significant amount of rain. I am sure that you all experience as much distress as we do whenever it floods. We had our first site meeting about this problem in June 2016 and this resulted in some investigation but, as you can see, no solution. We regularly complain but still have not had any conclusive action. If anyone wishes to complain to Suffolk County Council Highways, please take up the cudgel! Surely the more the merrier might spur them to take action.

And to continue on the theme of 'outside' incidents we still have the recurring problem caused by the negligent care of some (but only some) dog owners who fail to clear up after their dogs. This is unacceptable, both as a health hazard and as being unsocial. Dog Owners : Please do the decent thing and clear up.

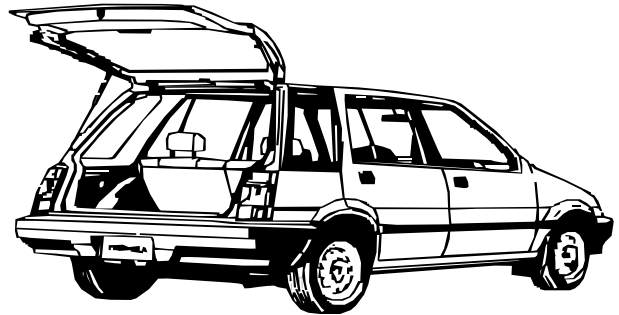
The Car Boot Sales this year will be on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May, Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July and Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September and this year they will run from 10.00am to 1.00pm which we hope will be more convenient for most people. If you wish to trade on the Playing Field, there is no need to book in advance. But if you would like to have a table in the Main Hall, please book via Peter Fisk 01359 231382. The cost is £10.00 per table for Booters and £15.00 for Traders. Let's hope for good weather as that does make a difference.

The Village Hall Management Committee thanks all of you for your patronage which helps keep our Village Hall an attractive place to visit.

# VILLAGE HALL CAR BOOT SALES

These will be held on the  
Playing Fields on :

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May



**TIMES : 10.00 am – 1.00 pm**

No advance booking is required for pitches on the Playing Fields :

Booters : £5.00    Traders : £10.00

This is payable on the day.

Tables in the Village Hall must be **pre-booked** by phoning Peter Fisk on 01359 231382.

Refreshments are available in the Village Hall.

For any general enquiries, please contact Peter Fisk on 01359 231382

## **Village Hall Management Committee**

Would be delighted to hear from anyone who would be prepared to offer help with maintenance tasks, help with organization of the Car Boot Sales, etc.

If so, please contact Diana Bilverstone on

[diana.74@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:diana.74@hotmail.co.uk)



# FREEDOMCHURCH

MILL Road, Great Barton, SUTTON, IP31 2HU

Senior Leaders: Trevor & Susie Harrington

Tel: 01284 788032

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Website: [www.gbfc.org.uk](http://www.gbfc.org.uk)

## Sundays:

Morning Worship every Sunday at 10.00am, followed by refreshments. Everyone is welcome at our Sunday Service. Creche, children and youth groups provided.

## Midweek (Term Time):

Tuesday 9.30 - 11.30am - Tiny Toes Toddler Group

Wednesday 9.15am - Keep Fit class with qualified instructor, for those who do regular exercise.

10.30am - Keep Fit beginners class with qualified instructor, a more gentle class for those not so used to fitness classes.

## Date for Your Diary:

Easter Monday, 2nd April 1.00pm - 4.00pm

## Mad Hatter's Tea Party

See our website for upcoming events: [www.gbfc.org.uk](http://www.gbfc.org.uk)

## CHURCH INSTITUTE

The Church Institute is a lovely venue which is available for private and regular club bookings.

It can be used for Baptism parties, Wedding receptions, Funeral wakes and for Birthday celebrations, parties and other general use. Please contact Linda Scoles on 01359 230392 for prices and enquires or Rev'd Manette Crossman on 01284 787554



**tinytoes**

TODDLER GROUP

Tuesday Morning 9:30am - 11:15am

Freedom Church, Mill Road, Great Barton

For more information please contact Lizi Long:

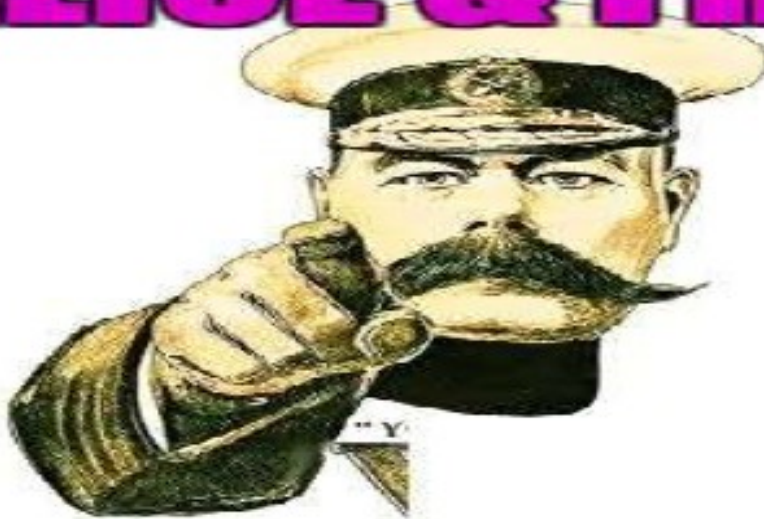
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# ALICE & FRED



## NEED YOUR HELP

SO DOES

## SECOND CHANCE STROKE GROUP

Second chance is a dynamic group made up of survivors of a stroke.

We meet every Tuesday in term time only between 9.30 am to 12.30 pm in Great Barton Village Hall and are looking for volunteer-helpers.

No experience with strokes is necessary, but good tea-pot skills would be helpful

*IF YOU THINK YOU CAN OFFER 3 HOURS (IN TERM TIME ONLY) OF YOUR TIME EACH WEEK PLEASE CONTACT PENNY BAKER FOR MORE INFORMATION ON:*

**01206 262653 OR 07770970286**

You can find out more about our activities by visiting our

Web Site or Facebook pages:

<http://www.secondchancestrokeclub.co.uk>

<https://www.facebook.com/secondchancestrokeclub>

# HOLY INNOCENT'S' PARISH CHURCH —

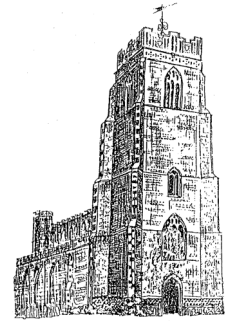
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Treasurer Vacant



## Services

**8.00 am** Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays

**10.30 am** Parish Communion  
Sung Common Worship 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday @ St. Peter's, Thurston  
Morning Service for All

**6.30 pm** Evensong (3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays)  
During the winter between Harvest and Easter the time changes to  
3.30pm

**Please see Church notices, Messenger and our website for details of  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday services and seasonal services such as Palm Sunday or Easter**

## Wednesday midweek Services

**10.00 am** Holy Communion

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday - all welcome, also Mothers' Union Corporate Com-  
munion

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays at St. Peter's, Thurston

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday - at Montana – all welcome

5<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays - Healing Service

Please check 'The Messenger' magazine, the Pew sheet or the website for any  
seasonal changes, copies are available in Church and in the Church Porch.  
Subscription enquiries to Allan Howell - 01284 787728



**A** **2**<sup>ND</sup> **APRIL**



**MAD HATTER'S  
EASTER TEA PARTY**

**EASTER  
MONDAY**

**EASTER  
EGG  
HUNT**

**1PM** Wonderland  
Cream Teas  
**TO**  
**4PM**

**FREEDOM  
CHURCH,  
MILL  
ROAD,  
GREAT  
BARTON**

**FOR  
MORE  
INFO: 01284  
788032**



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## **Update on Berkeley Homes Development**

Representatives from the Berkeley Homes Group gave a presentation to the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group in December and have recently provided an update on their plans for the development of around 1250 homes in the south-east section of the Parish of Great Barton.

Berkeley Homes have decided to apply for a hybrid planning application. In Summer 2018 they will apply for detailed planning application for phase 1 of the development at the same time as outline development for the whole site. Assuming that planning consent is granted this will enable them to commence construction on the site as soon as possible.

They have advised us that their proposals broadly follow those set out in the 2014 Masterplan. However they have reviewed the position of the two roundabouts to access the site and are now proposing that the northern most roundabout be located 175 metres north of the junction of the A143/The Avenue. This proposal has been submitted to Suffolk CC.

Copies of the presentation given to the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group together with a plan showing the latest proposals can be viewed on the Neighbourhood Plan Website.

<http://greatbarton.suffolk.cloud/neighbourhoodplan/>  
In advance of submitting their Planning Application

Berkeley Homes intend to hold a Public Consultation event in the Village Hall and residents will be invited to attend.

# WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE

Hello, my name is Emily Martin. Ed has kindly offered me a column in the newsletter to write about preparing for and attending the World Scout Jamboree in July 2019. I have been selected to be part of the joint Suffolk & Norfolk Unit of 36 scouts. We each need to raise nearly £4000 in sponsorship to fund our place, and to offset the costs of scouts from poorer nations. Each quarter I plan to tell you something about the Jamboree, the planning activities we are undertaking as a Unit, and my success (or not) at fundraising.

So, what is the World Scout Jamboree? Every four years over 40,000 scouts gather from around the world. We will complete a range of challenging activities and work together on tasks to build our understanding of each other's culture. The location changes every time: this time it takes place at a huge campsite in West Virginia, followed by a 'home visit' to a scout group somewhere in the USA or Canada and an opportunity to explore one of America's cities.

What have I done so far? As a Unit, we have chosen a name – the Icení Tribes! – and designed a logo. I have completed a sponsored night hike, with others from Unit 18, of 20 miles around south west Norfolk following clues and solving puzzles. Our next gathering is a weekend camp near Ipswich in March, to get to know our fellow scouts better.

What is planned for the next three months? I'm going to increase my fundraising activities. I have written to lots of local organisations asking for support and offering to speak at meetings to explain the Jamboree. I hope to set up an online giving page to widen the number of people who can donate. So far – money pledged, £550; sponsorship received, £70.

I hope this once in a lifetime opportunity will give me greater self-confidence, a wider view of the world outside Suffolk and the chance to contribute to our community. For example, through all this time, I will continue to help out with the local Cub Group, and to encourage them to participate fully in the exciting experiences scouting offers.



How can you help? I am available for babysitting, dog walking or any other reasonable paid tasks! Please contact me on 01284 787655 or by mail to 2 Lodge Close. Equally if you, or your employer or charitable organisation, are able to provide financial aid, raffle prizes or other in-kind support please let me know – that would be fantastic.

Thank you,

Emily

## **WEST SUFFOLK SIGHT**

Would welcome new  
partially sighted members  
to the

**Pakenham Club**

Please contact Mary Jane  
01359-259646

**Barton**



**Players**

**Presents**

# **SOUTH PACIFIC**

Great Barton Village Hall, 24th to 26th May, 2018  
Refreshments available

Tickets £10 - to book visit  
[www.ticketsource.co.uk/barton-players](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/barton-players)

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**Upcoming Performance**

# **Cinderella**

29th November to 1st December 2018

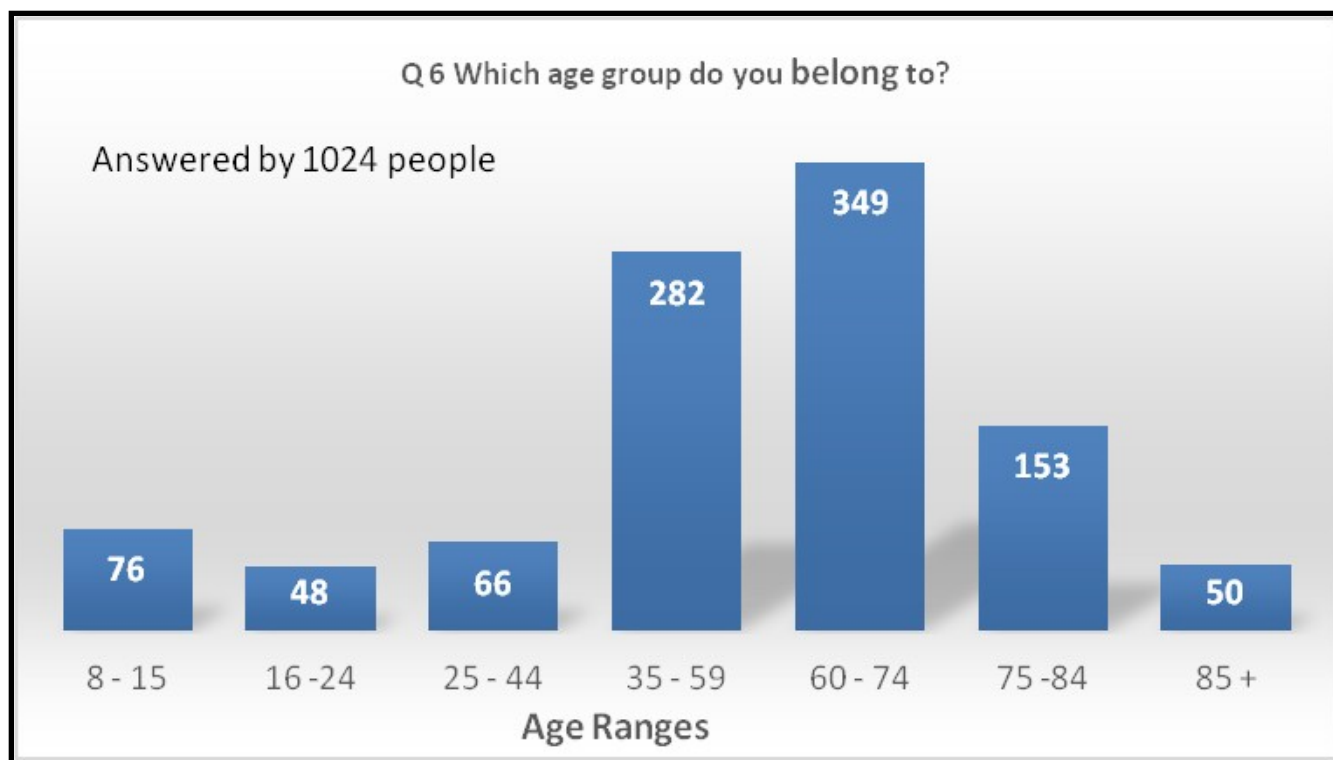
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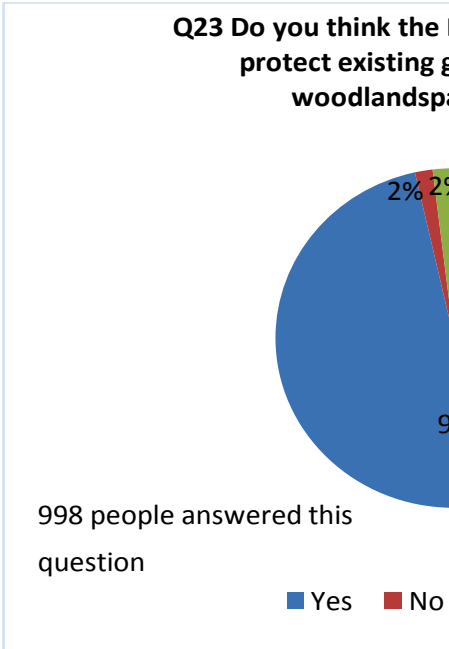
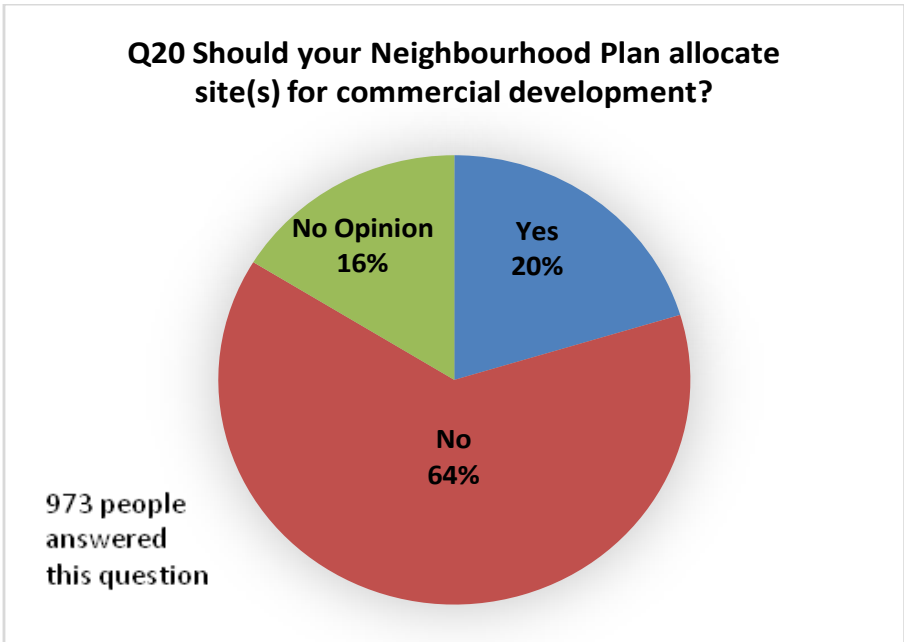
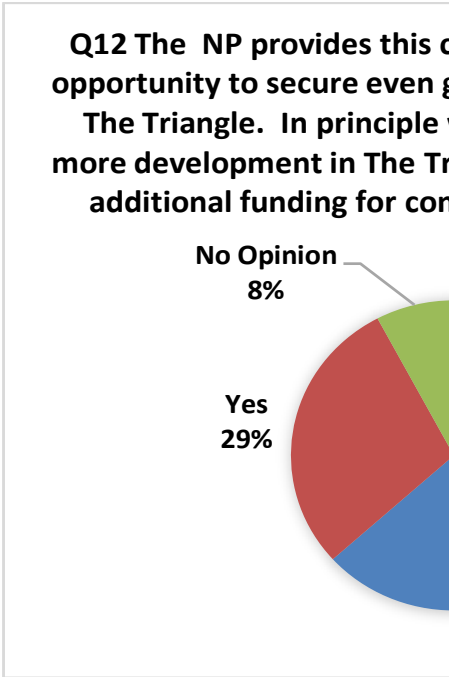
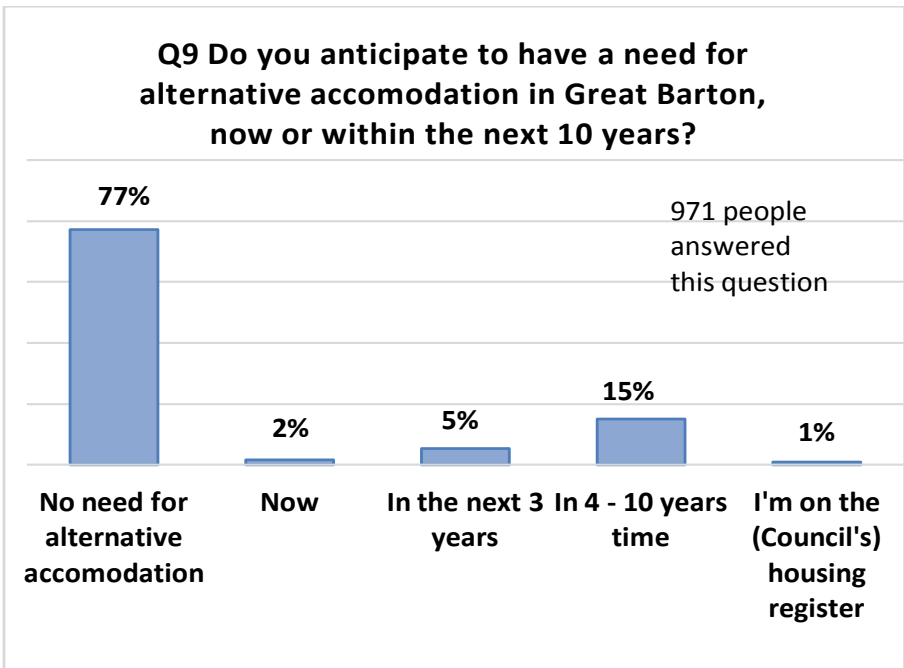
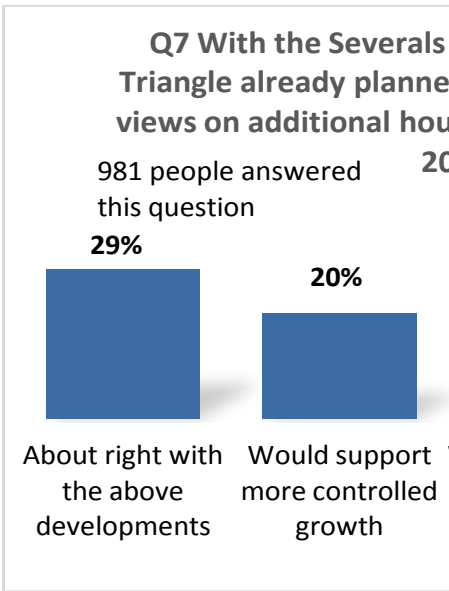
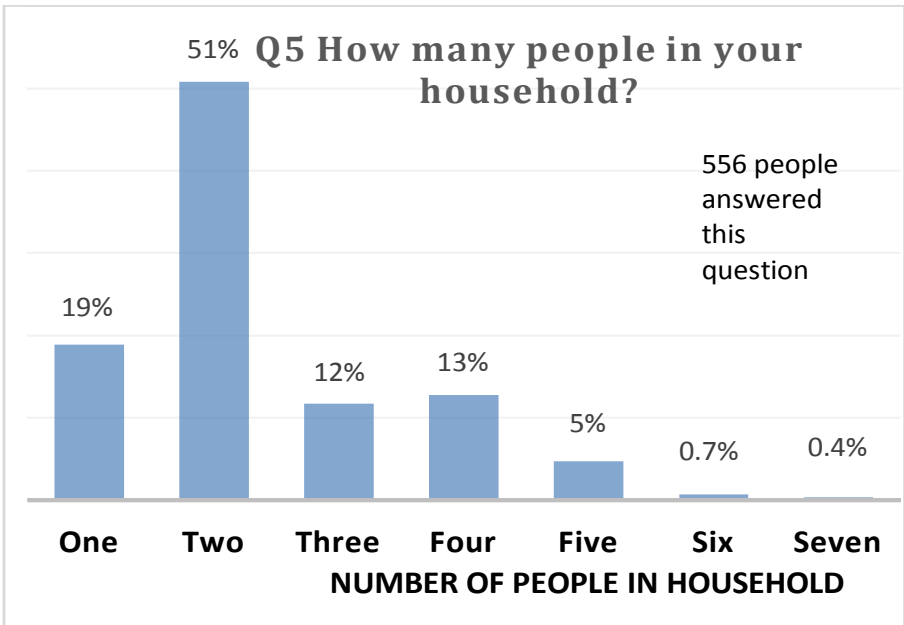
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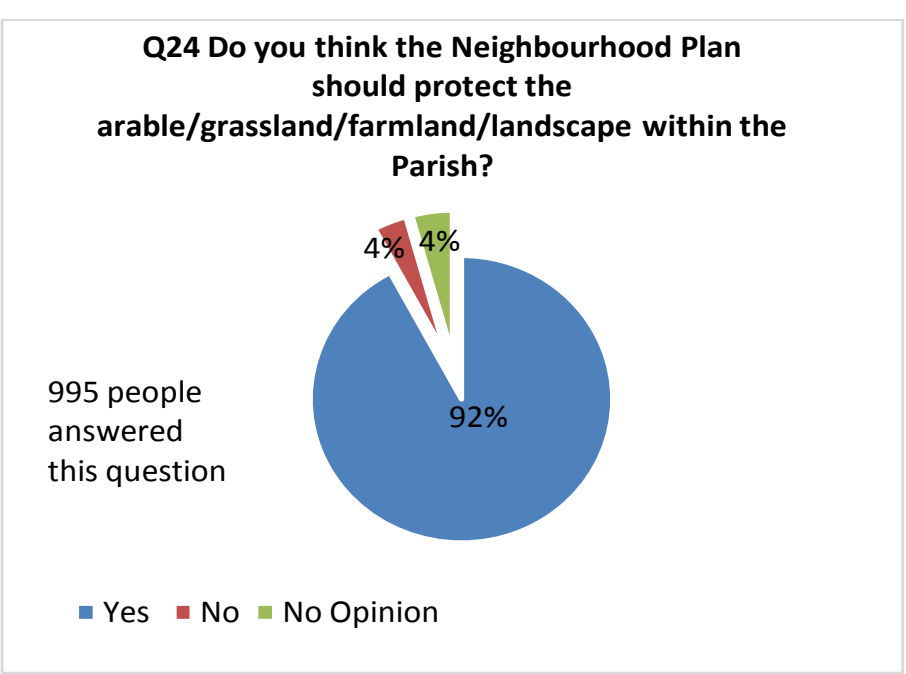
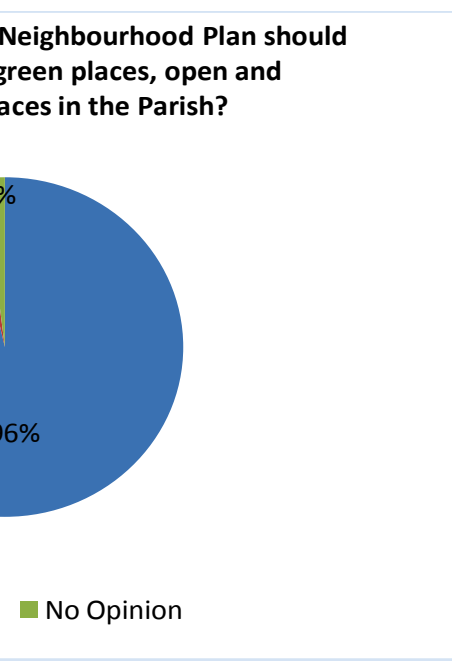
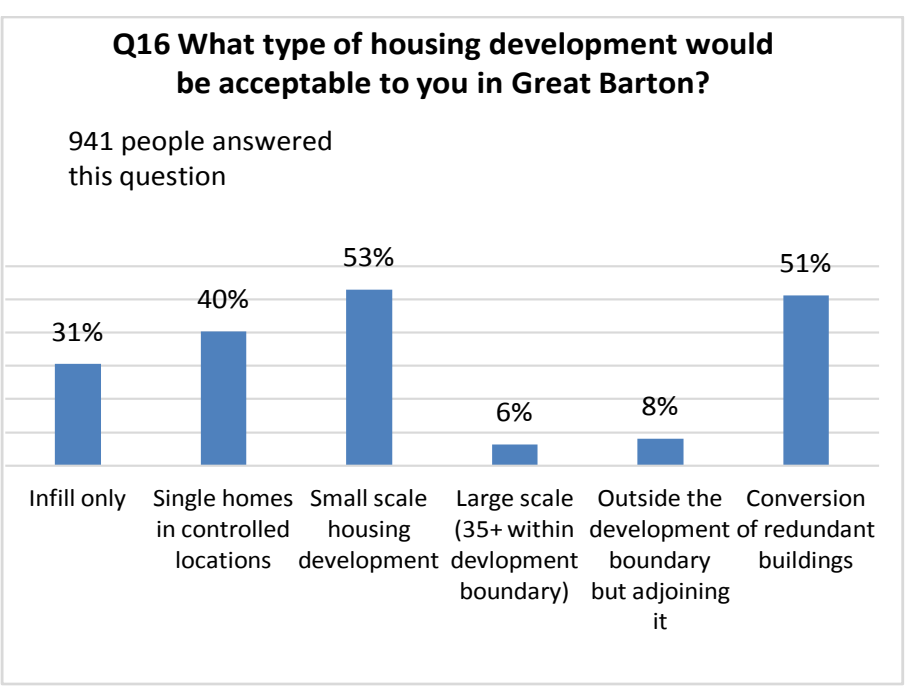
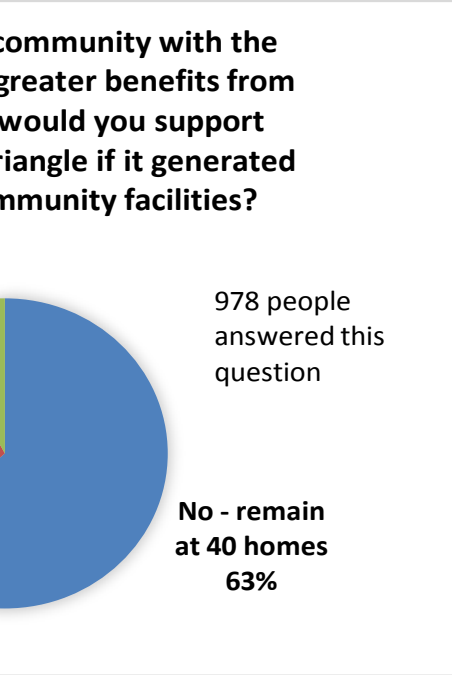
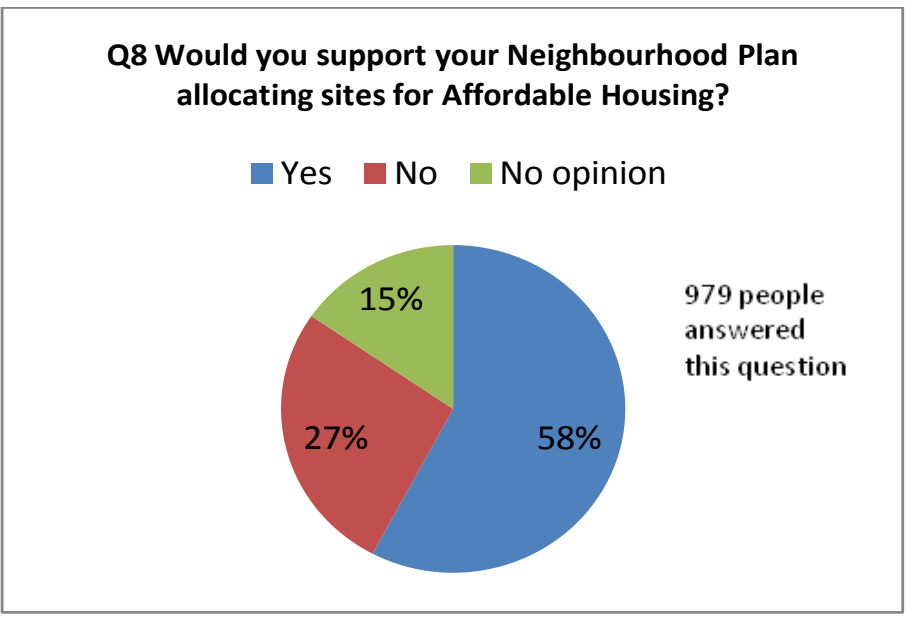
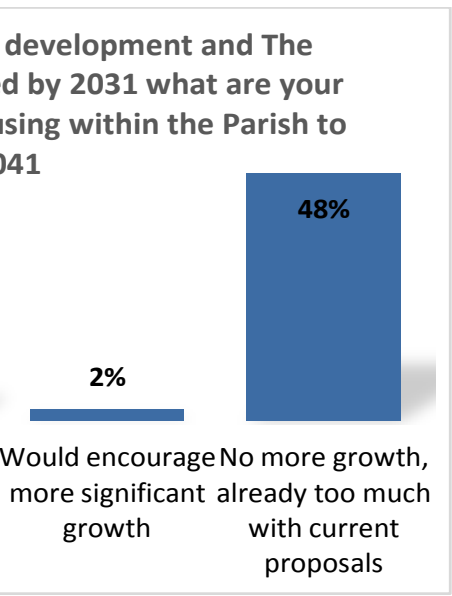
Thank you to all those completed the questionnaire. We had a good response. Of the 1042 that were delivered 567 were completed by 1044 residents. A very big thank you to those who competed online as that saved the Neighbourhood Plan team a lot of time and effort.

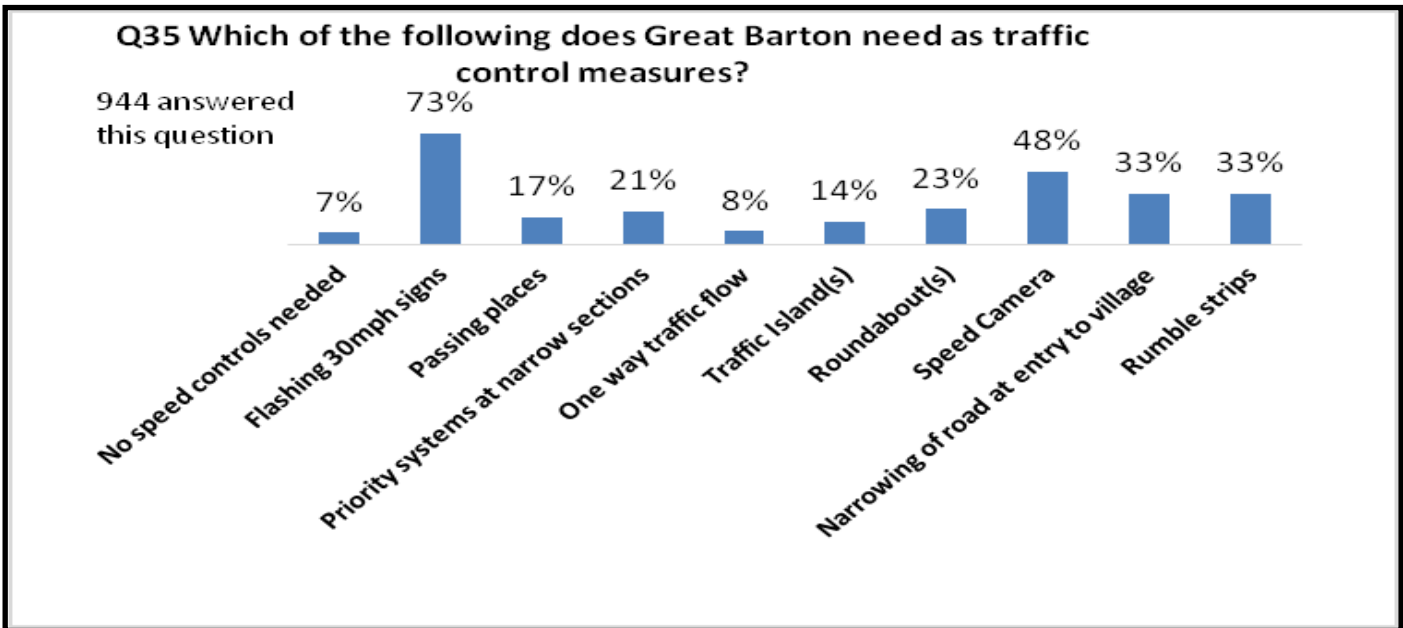
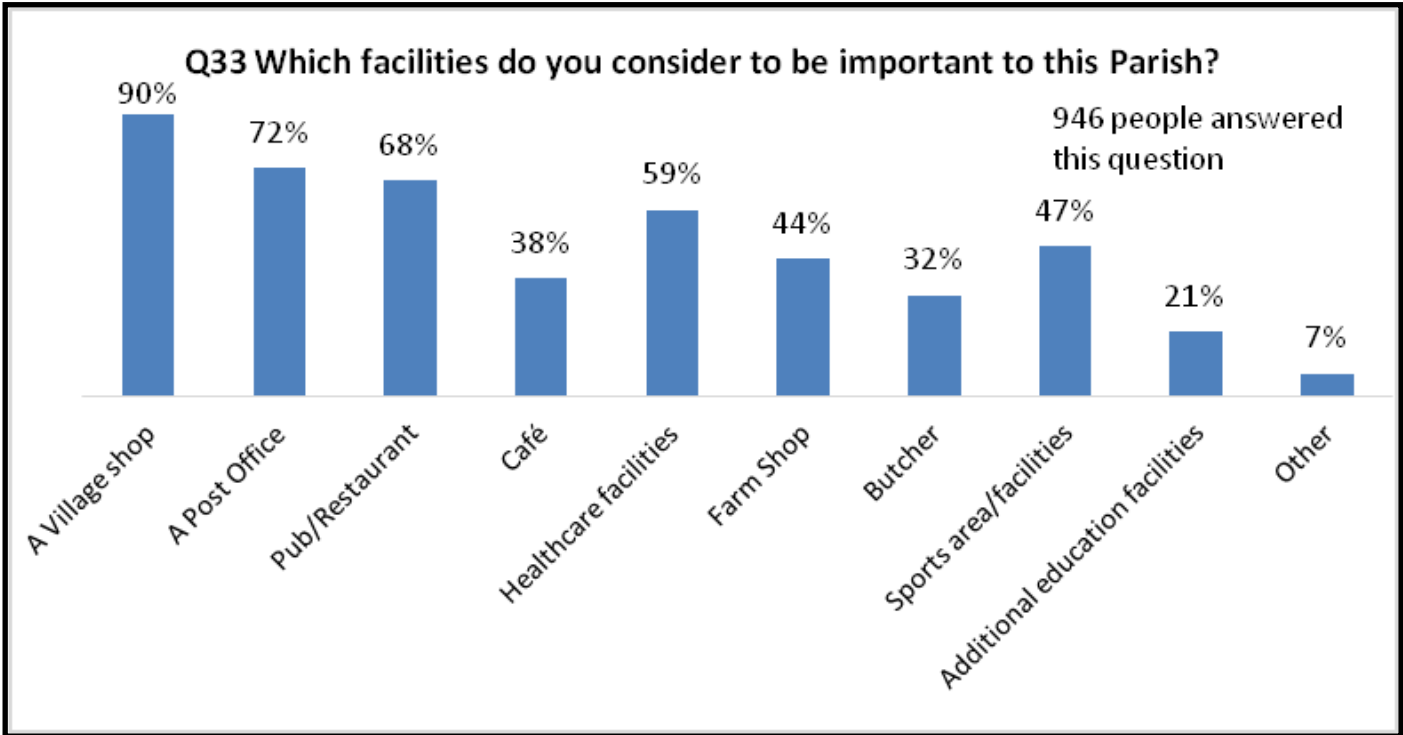
The answers you gave raised a number of issues that the team will be working on over the next few weeks. We hope to hold a further consultation on the issues and options that might be included in the plan in the Spring. This will enable us to give feedback to Berkeley Homes before they submit their detailed planning application for their major development in the Parish in Summer 2018. The key issue to emerge is that many residents do not want further development above that already planned but consider a range of facilities to be important to the Parish. We need to understand further whether you want new facilities or just want to see the existing ones maintained.

The charts below show the answers to some of the questions, not everyone answered all the questions, but the number who did is shown. If you want to see the full results please look on the Neighbourhood Plan website <http://greatbarton.suffolk.cloud/neighbourhoodplan/>







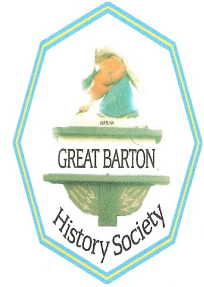


In this Newsletter we can only provide a snapshot of the results. If you do not have access to a computer, a copy of the answers to all of the questions is available to view on the Neighbourhood Plan Notice board inside the Village Hall and copies will be available to inspect at the Neighbourhood Plan Meetings on 12 April and 10 May 2018 as well as at the Annual Parish Meeting on 16 April 2018. If anyone would like further information about the results please contact Sheila Deare, the Neighbourhood Plan Clerk via [gtbartonnp@gmail.com](mailto:gtbartonnp@gmail.com) or Linda Harley, the Parish Clerk on 01284 787777.

Thank you again for your participation.



# GREAT BARTON HISTORY SOCIETY



## PROGRAMME FOR 2018

May 1<sup>st</sup> – Stephen Govier – 2.30pm in the Village Hall annex - **The Hoxne Treasure** -

Sep 4<sup>th</sup> – Dr Nick Amor – 2.30 pm in the Village Hall - **The Suffolk Medieval Cloth Industry** – *Dr Nick Amor will talk about the growth of the woollen industry in 15C Suffolk, focussing on medieval sheep and shepherds, wool trade, cloth production and finishing. He will show how Suffolk became England's leading cloth making county by 1500.*

Nov 6<sup>th</sup> – **A.G.M.** – followed by :-

Georgette Vale – 2.30pm in the Village Hall annex - **5 O'Clock Tea with Betsy (Elizabeth Fry),**

*Georgette will give her talk in costume and in character- Elizabeth Fry was much more than a prison reformer.*

*Refreshments provided after each talk.*

***Annual Subscription - £10.00. Guests £3.00 each visit***

***For further information please contact Pat Boyes.01284 788200  
pandrboyes@waitrose.com***

## GREAT BARTON ON FACEBOOK

There are two active Great Barton groups on Facebook which are open to anyone with an inrerest in the village to join:

### **Great Barton Community**

<https://www.facebook.com/gtbaroninfo?fref=ts>

*(or enter "Great Barton" in the search box on your Homepage)*

### **Great Barton Neighbourhood Watch**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/391717411180942/>

## GREAT BARTON LUNCHEON CLUB



We are a luncheon club who meet at Great Barton Village Hall on the second Friday of each month (except in August). Members are welcomed with the choice of a glass of sherry or fruit juice, and served a two course meal, followed by tea/coffee, at a cost of £5.00 p.p. plus a small membership yearly fee.

If you are 55 years or over and live in Gt Barton, and would like to join us, we would be pleased to hear from you to put you on our waiting list.

The contact numbers are as follows:

Christine Johnson                      01284 787687

Brenda Turner                            01284 787654

## Saturday 19th May 2018

Coffee Cakes and Light Lunch at the  
Village Hall

Watch the **Royal Wedding** on the  
Big Screen

Wedding starts 1 p.m.

Contact Maggie Dunn on 01284  
787357 for more information

## GREAT BARTON & DISTRICT FLOWER CLUB



**W**e look forward to seeing our members and visitors again. Our meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm in Great Barton Village Hall.

### Welcome to Great Barton

#### *New to the village?*

**If you or a neighbour have recently moved into the village you might like a free  
“VILLAGE WELCOME PACK”**

**Please contact Richard and Mary Leveritt on  
01284 787556**

### PARISH COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

If you would like to receive updates on the activities of the Parish Council, then please send your email address to the

Parish Clerk, Linda Harley;  
[harley.parish@btinternet.com](mailto:harley.parish@btinternet.com)

### MONTANA SERVICE TIMES

Montana has a Roman Catholic mass at the following times.

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>10.30 a.m.</b>
<b>WEEKDAYS (MON TO FRI)</b>	<b>8.15 a.m.</b>

## THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY



**The  
Children's  
Society**

A Very Happy New Year to all our Supporters. Since the New Year began we have been busy opening the Charity Boxes and to date many are still outstanding. If you hold a Children's Society Box or normally make a donation, please do so at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

Much has happened in the Support Group – two loyal Supporters have left, leaving a large hole in organizing our work.

**URGENTLY REQUIRED** : 1 or 2 kind helpful volunteers to help me once a week to sort donated items and put in sacks or boxes ready for the Charity Van which calls every fortnight to collect items unsuitable for our Shop. Please ring 01284 787642 or call to see me if you can help. This is an **URGENT** Appeal.

Our fundraising totals in 2017 are :

Metal Collections = £70; Obsolete Coins/Money = £105; Risby Antiques = £120; Clothing & Textiles = £900; Garage Shop = £1,730 which gives a total of £2,925.

The 2017 Total Parish Count was £7,850 which is the lowest for several years.

### ITEMS NOW REQUIRED :

Old shoes, slippers, sandals, boots & wellies; bags, belts and purses; clothing of every description; linens; spectacles, old British and foreign money and any good items to sell in our Shop. **PLEASE NOTE** : NO PILLOWS, DUVETS, CUSHIONS, HEAVY OLD CURTAINS, GLASS JARS, COAT HANGERS.

Mechanical clocks and watches are always welcomed and children's hats, scarves and gloves.

HOUSE BOXES are now overdue – if you have one or normally make a donation, we will be very pleased to receive them.

2017 Monies – Holy Innocents' Crib Service = £130; Christmas Donations = £300 and Great Barton CEVC School Christingle = £100. This totals £530.

Everything we do in Great Barton is :

“Helping to make children's lives worth living”.


Julia M. Briggs M.B.E.

Starting Monday 22nd January 2018 at 7.30 p.m., Great Barton Village Hall

PILATES PLUS featuring Core Strength Training using a Stability Ball and a short session of Mindfulness for relieving Stress Related Issues.

£5 per class or a course of 10 for £45  
Everyone Welcome, all ages and abilities.

Call Cherie on 01284 788 480 for more information.



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Advance Level

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Socialisation

**KENNEL CLUB REGISTERED - ESTABLISHED 1960**

Great Barton Village Hall. Every Tuesday 7pm to 10 pm  
For further details ring 01359 230837 (Evenings only)



## GREAT BARTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



We meet in the **Village Hall** on the first Thursday of every month at 7.30 p.m. and visitors are always welcome.

Our programme for the next 3 months of 2018 is as follows :

- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March      “Water Colour made Easy”  
with Tracey Waghorn
- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> April      “Norfolk and Suffolk Poetry and Prose”  
with Peter Davies and Joy Collins
- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May      ANNUAL & RESOLUTION MEETING

**On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April we are holding a Delicious Pudding Event in The Annexe of the Village Hall from 12.30 – 2.30 which is open to all. The cost is £7.00 which will go to WI Funds.**

Further information on any aspect of the W.I. can be obtained from Rosemary Saywell (President) on 01284 **788 058** or Kate Trevitt (Secretary) on 01284 **787 331**.

## SUFFOLK LIBRARIES

### **BURY ST EDMUNDS MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE**

#### **Bury Mobile Library Route 1 Every 4 weeks on Tuesdays**

Great Barton	Oakampton House	10:00	10:20
Great Barton	School Lane	10.25	10.50

#### **Bury Mobile Library Route 12 Every 4 weeks on Thursdays**

Great Barton	Brand Road	10.35	10.45
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# GREAT BARTON COFFEE MORNING

## THE FRIDAY COFFEE MORNING



Come and try the Friday Coffee Morning which meets in the Church Institute every Friday morning from 10.00 a.m. to 11.15 a.m.

We would welcome a donation to cover the cost of the coffee or tea + biscuits (as little as 35p per cup would be welcome) and any excess, when essential expenses have been removed, goes to the Church Institute Refurbishment Fund.

We have a hardcore of regulars but we welcome new faces : as long as you enjoy a good chat about almost anything, we will be delighted to see you. And there is no obligation to come every Friday – but you will probably find that you want to!

If you are new to the Village, do come and give us a try. Or, if you have lived in the Village for years and haven't got round to joining us, you would still be very welcome.

**There will be NO Coffee Morning  
on  
GOOD FRIDAY**

## Art Classes on Saturday Mornings

10.00 - 1.00 starting on March 3 in the Community Room at the Village Hall and continuing fortnightly.

Cost will be £16 per session which includes tea, coffee + biscuits.

Come and enjoy drawing and watercolour painting in a friendly group, with tuition from Anne Barclay and her husband Kim, both trained artists and experienced teachers.

Further details from Anne on 01206 272991 or 07745 639550



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**Great  
Barton  
Film  
Night  
Forthcoming  
Programme**



LOTTERY FUNDED

**Saturday 21st April  
Going in Style 2017 Cert 12**

**Saturday 19th May  
Darkest Hour 2017 Cert PG**

**Saturday 16th June  
Murder on the Orient Express 2017 Cert 12A**

**Public Admission £3:50  
Children (Under 16) £2.00  
Doors Open @ 6.45 p.m.  
Film Show Starts 7.30 p.m.**

**GBFN.OneSuffolk.net**

**Bar, Tea, Coffee & Ice-Creams Available**

**These shows are open to anyone & everyone —just turn up  
and pay on the door or to reserve tickets call**

**Maggie Redshaw 01284 788 397**



# **GREAT BARTON BOWLS CLUB**

**East Barton Road**

The outdoor season runs from April to Sep.  
New members of all ages are welcome.

We have practice sessions Tuesday mornings with coffee,  
and Wednesday evenings.

We play in competitive leagues on Monday af-  
ternoon and Monday, Tuesday and Thursday  
evenings.

In the winter we play in indoor leagues and  
have social events on Friday evenings.

**COME & GIVE IT A TRY**



**Licenced Bar**

**Coaching available**

For more information contact :

Henny van Holland on 01284 787242

## **GREAT BARTON EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN**

### **Emergency Operations Team**

Mick Brabrook	01284 788 147
Steve Cannon	01284 787 760
Bill Charnaud	01284 788 170
Nicola Crouch	01284 788 611
Eddie Gibson	01284 788 384
Gemma Reid	01284 788 439
John Hubble	07931 578 591
John Roe	01284 787 749

# GREAT BARTON COMPUTER CLUB



The Club is a very friendly group that constantly attracts new members. We aim to make computing accessible to all and **fun!** Members use 'Windows' or Mac operating systems.

Whether you are a seasoned computer user or a complete beginner who would like to start using email, shopping on line, exchanging and saving photos and keeping them safe or many other possibilities then GBCC might be for you.

Some members are enthusiasts but most of us just want to keep up to date safely and securely with the technology of our computers in a friendly social atmosphere where we are all learning together.

**Club Meetings are generally held on the last Monday of each month starting at 2.00pm in the Village Hall lasting for approximately 90 minutes and consists of a short illustrated talk demonstrating some of the uses and applications available on our computers and introducing a wide range of interesting subjects.**

Monthly Workshops are usually held on the second Monday of the month (from **2.00 until 4:30 pm**) when various topics are explored in more depth. We have fast internet access and members can bring their own laptops or borrow a club machine.

**Focus groups** are smaller, held in the afternoon or evening in the village hall annexe and have covered word processing, 'files and folders', secure photo managing and editing using free downloadable software which is always popular.

**Drop in Sessions** start at 2.00pm in the village hall annexe on the first Monday of the month. Members are invited to attend with their laptops and help is available to address problems or queries.

There is an **Apple Mac** that meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday evening of the month also in the annexe.

If you would like to know more or feel you could help, we welcome absolute beginners through to the more experienced.

To learn more please 'Google' Great Barton Computer Club to visit and browse our website or go direct to <http://gbcc.onesuffolk.net/> to see upcoming events or contact our secretary **Pat Boyes** by emailing [secretary.gbcc@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.gbcc@gmail.com) or phoning 01284 788200.



# **Great Barton Open Gardens**

## **2018 – 14/15 July**

### **Call for Participants**

This yearly event is the main fund-raising for our 13<sup>th</sup> C, Grade 1 Listed Parish Church. Our village gardens are always praised by visitors, and the owners of those gardens enjoy the occasion, too. Please contact me if you would be willing to show your garden. We need all sizes and shapes. They need not be picture-card perfect, but interesting. I would be very glad to come and talk about the weekend, and see your garden. Linda Scoles (01359) 230392

**COMMUNITY ACTION SUFFOLK (CAS)**  
**- HEATING OIL BUYING GROUP -**  
**SPRING 2018.**

**EXCELLENT PRICES, DEPENDABLE SUPPLY!**

Hello,

I'm David Salvage, a long-time resident of Great Barton and local volunteer coordinator for the Community Action Suffolk (CAS) oil buying group, which is endorsed by our Parish Council.

If you use domestic burning oil for heating your home there's a good chance that you would benefit from joining CAS oil buying group. CAS buys millions of litres of fuel for its Suffolk members each year and uses this collective buying power to benefit its members.

Many find the prospect of negotiating with the large oil distributors daunting or, for a variety of

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reasons, are unable to or fear losing continuity of supply.

The CAS scheme is designed to take the hassle out of the process and to secure **excellent prices and a dependable supply.**

To become a member or for more information visit [www.communitybuying.org.uk](http://www.communitybuying.org.uk) or call 01473 345400 for a membership pack to be sent to you - or you can contact me - (see below).

Finally, I hope that you'll find membership attractive and, if so, please spread the word to neighbours, family and friends.

I look forward to hearing from you,  
David S.

**CONTACT DETAILS:**

email [davidsalvage@leaningforward.co.uk](mailto:davidsalvage@leaningforward.co.uk) or telephone (weekday afternoons only please) on 01284 787712. If I'm unavailable, please leave any message (inc. your tel. no.) and I'll get back to you.

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## **Calthorpe & Edwards Educational Foundation**

This Foundation has existed for over 250 years to help young people under the age of 25 with study materials and books required for Further Education. In effect, this means any course which is NOT offered at Upper School/Community College. This includes NVQs which are not offered in schools.

The grant, which is usually limited to a maximum of 3 years, may be extended, at the discretion of the Trustees, by one year but to no person over the age of 25. To qualify the applicants must reside in one of 13 parishes :

Category A (known as the five Inner Parishes) includes Ampton, Ingham, Great & Little Livermere and Timworth

Category B (known as the eight Outer Parishes) includes Culford, Fornham St. Genevieve, Fornham St. Martin, **Great Barton**, Ixworth, Troston, West Stow and Wordwell.

Should there be a waiting list, preference will be given to those from Category A. At present the annual grant, paid in three equal instalments, is :

**± £300 per annum**

However this amount may vary from year to year dependent on the number of applicants.

Application forms can be obtained from the Clerk :

Mrs. R.G. Boswell, Chegwidde, Beauford Road, Ingham, Bury St. Edmunds IP31 1NW

or by email to : [rgboswell@care4free.net](mailto:rgboswell@care4free.net) and application must reach her by **7<sup>th</sup> September 2018**.



# Kirbye Voices

Present an evening of

## Summer Music

Gt. Barton Village Hall

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018

7.30pm.

Doors open 7.00pm.

Admission free

(retiring collection)

Refreshments available



inc. licensed bar





# GREAT BARTON CLUBS & SOCIETIES

## **Badminton Club**

Mrs Ann Tee  
22 Downing Drive, Great Barton, IP31 2RP

☎ 01284 788 161

## **Barton Players**

Mr Ken Sawyer  
4 Diomed Drive, Hall Park, Great Barton, IP31 2TF  
barton.players@yahoo.co.uk

☎ 01284 787 485

## **Hand Bell Ringers**

Mrs J. Hill  
38 Maltings Garth, Thurston, IP31 3PP

☎ 01359 230 770

## **Bowls Club (Outdoor)**

Mr Henny Van Holland  
32 Conyers Way, Great Barton, IP31 2SW

☎ 01284 787242

## **Children's Society**

Miss J.M. Briggs  
Woodstock, Livermere Road, Great Barton, IP31 2RZ

☎ 01284 787 642

## **Church Institute Bookings**

Linda Scoles

☎ 01359 230392

## **Flower Club**

Carolyn Rudd  
carolynnanne@hotmail.com

☎ 01284 703311

## **Freedom Church**

Mrs Sarah Bullen [office@gbfc.org.uk](mailto:office@gbfc.org.uk) or ☎ 01284 788 032

## **Great Barton Allotment Association**

Lesley Linden [gballotments@gmail.com](mailto:gballotments@gmail.com)

## **Great Barton Community Woodland**

Mr Mick Brabrook  
16 Downing Drive, Great Barton, IP31 2RP

☎ 01284 788 147

## **Great Barton Computer Club**

Mrs P. Boyes  
9 Chester Place, Great Barton, IP31 2TL

☎ 01284 788 200

## **Great Barton Thanksgiving Fund Charity Shield (Football)**

Mr Ron Jarrold  
29, Bullen Close, Bury St Edmunds, IP33 3JP

☎ 01284 752 361

## **Great Barton Luncheon Club**

Mrs Chris Johnson

☎ 01284 787 687



# GREAT BARTON CLUBS & SOCIETIES

<b>Great Barton Thanksgiving Fund (Village Hall Management Committee)</b>	
Mr P Flisk “Blenheim”, Thurston Road, Great Barton, IP31 2PW	☎ 01359 231382
<b>Great Barton VC Primary School</b>	
Mrs S. Rees School Road, Great Barton, IP31 2RJ	☎ 01284 787 353
<b>History Society</b>	
Mrs M Marshall - <a href="mailto:mitchgbhs@gmail.com">mitchgbhs@gmail.com</a>	☎ 01284 788070
<b>Holy Innocents’ Church</b>	
Reverend Manette Crossman <i>The Vicarage</i> , Church Road, Great Barton, IP31 2QR <a href="mailto:revmccrossman@gmail.com">revmccrossman@gmail.com</a>	☎ 01284 787 554
<b>Horticultural Society</b>	
Mrs B. Owen <i>Redsyke</i> , The Park, Great Barton, IP31 2SX	☎ 01284 787 200
<b>Mothers’ Union</b>	
Mrs Pat Sheppard	☎ 01284 705540
<b>Netball Club (Phoenix Flames)</b>	
Mrs Emma Gibson - <a href="mailto:gibsonerj@btinternet.com">gibsonerj@btinternet.com</a>	☎ 01284 788384
<b>Pathways (pre-school)</b>	
Mrs Julie Goodwin School Road, Great Barton, IP31 2RJ	☎ 01284 788 258
<b>Scout Group Chairman</b>	
Mr Steve Harley	☎ 01284 787777
<b>Scout Group (Cubs)</b>	
<b>Scout Group (Beavers)</b>	
<b>Scout Group (Scouts)</b>	
Mr Gordon K Biden 1, Downside, Stowmarket, IP14 1ST	☎ 01449 677 709
<b>Second Chance Stroke Club</b>	
Penny Baker	☎ 01206 262653
<b>Village Hall Bookings</b>	
Diana Silverstone <a href="mailto:diana.74@hotmail.co.uk">diana.74@hotmail.co.uk</a>	☎ 01284 750632
<b>Women’s Institute</b>	
Mrs K Trevitt 24 Diomed Drive, Great Barton, IP31 2TD	☎ 01284 787 331
<b>West Suffolk Dog Training Society</b>	
Mr M. Chenery Commister Lane, Ixworth, IP31 2HE	☎ 01359 230 837

# WEB SITES

If your club or society has a web-site that you would like added to this list, please send details to the editor : [egibsongbpc@btinternet.com](mailto:egibsongbpc@btinternet.com)



<b>Parish Council</b>	<b><a href="http://greatbarton.suffolk.cloud">greatbarton.suffolk.cloud</a></b>
<b>Village Hall</b>	<b><a href="http://greatbartonvh.onesuffolk.net">greatbartonvh.onesuffolk.net</a></b>
<b>Pathways Pre-School</b>	<b><a href="http://greatbartonpathways.co.uk">greatbartonpathways.co.uk</a></b>
<b>Community Woodland</b>	<b><a href="http://gbcw.onesuffolk.net">gbcw.onesuffolk.net</a></b>
<b>Computer Club</b>	<b><a href="http://gbcc.onesuffolk.net">gbcc.onesuffolk.net</a></b>
<b>Film Night</b>	<b><a href="http://gbfn.onesuffolk.net">gbfn.onesuffolk.net</a></b>
<b>Holy Innocents' Church</b>	<b><a href="http://greatbartonandthurston.org.uk">greatbartonandthurston.org.uk</a></b>
<b>Freedom Church</b>	<b><a href="http://gbfc.org.uk">gbfc.org.uk</a></b>
<b>Ballroom Dancing</b>	<b><a href="http://ballroomexperience.co.uk">ballroomexperience.co.uk</a></b>
<b>Allotment Association</b>	<b><a href="http://greatbartonallotments.onesuffolk.net">greatbartonallotments.onesuffolk.net</a></b>
<b>Great Barton Scouts</b>	<b><a href="http://gtbartonscouts.co.uk">gtbartonscouts.co.uk</a></b>
<b>Great Barton Bowls Club</b>	<b><a href="http://greatbartonbowlsclub.btck.co.uk">greatbartonbowlsclub.btck.co.uk</a></b>
<b>Second Chance Stroke Club</b>	<b><a href="http://Secondchancestrokeclub.co.uk">Secondchancestrokeclub.co.uk</a></b>

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## J K Mayes Plumbing and Heating

For all of your plumbing and heating requirements, telephone Justin on 07825325584, 01284 787682 Brakey Cottage, Green Lane, Great Barton, IP31 2QS  
j.mayes23@btinternet.com  
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## Great Barton

### Circuit Class

A great way to improve fitness!!



**Great Barton Freedom Church**  
**Every Wednesday @ 7pm**

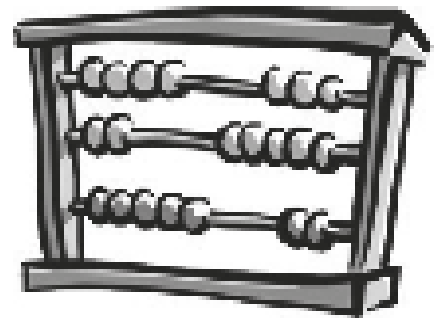
**Only £5 per Session**  
**All fitness levels catered for**

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