



BARNETBY-LE-WOLD PARISH COUNCIL

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Your Parish Council is hosting the Annual Meeting of the Parish and we invite all residents to join us.

The Annual Meeting of the Parish is a meeting required by law and is called by the Chairman of the Parish Council in each year. It is an opportunity for members of the parish to get together and discuss issues of interest and concern with a view to developing an action plan.

The **Annual Meeting of the Parish** of Barnetby Le Wold Parish Council will be held on **Monday 28 April 2025** proceedings will commence at **6.00 pm** at Barnetby Church Hall.

Barry Baker

Chairman/Barnetby Parish Council

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The meeting was duly started at 18:00

Attendees: Cllr Vora, Cllr Thomas, Cllr Nazir, Cllr Wells, Cllr Huck, Cllr Booker, ,
Cllr Broughton, Cllr Baker,

6:00 Approval of Annual Meeting of the Parish Minutes June 2024

The minutes of the Annual Parish Minutes were accepted with spelling corrections
Proposed Cllr Thomas, seconded Cllr Broughton, - unanimous

6:05 The Chair of the Parish Council will welcome and feedback on last year
and plans for the coming year.

The chair read the annual report stating it had been a difficult year with 4 Parish clerks, expressing thanks to the Personnel Committee for their perseverance. Thanks was expressed to Brian Brooks and the excellent work of Cllr Hoggard. The new Clerk, Hannah Hepworth, was welcomed. Planning applications had been supported as a team working together to achieve this for everyone in the parish. 2025/26 will see lots of decisions made with everyone working together. Thanks was expressed to all councillors for their hard work, support and dedication, the In Bloomers, Jim Munn who works tirelessly for the village and congratulations extended to Barnetby United who have had various wins.

6.10 Community Groups are invited to share feedback on last year and plans for coming year:

In Bloom report – Ian Tennyson will maintain the small raised bed sponsored by Keiger. Cuthberts Ave will see some raised beds on each side this year. 16th/17th July are the dates for the competition including planted wheelbarrows. Unfortunately three trees have been stolen.

Barnetby Horticultural Society – there has been a successful show showcasing produce from competitors old and new. There is a fully appointed committee. There will be a talk in the Church Hall “How to prepare exhibits for showing” and plant sale Saturday 16th August in the Village Hall

Laura Hemstock - Barnetby Under Fives report

The past year has seen significant changes for the Under Fives Preschool after Sally Abbs retired in August 2024 after 22 years with the Preschool. Sally helped to shape the lives of so many children throughout her time at Preschool as well as encouraging the staff around her to thrive too. Some big shoes to try and fill!

The Preschool held a hugely successful fund raising event in December thanks to the amazing generosity of our parents and families and also the wider village community who came out to support the children on their Santa walk and donate to the Preschool. This event raised an incredible £782.50 in total which has been used to purchase a climbing and crawling tunnel and new story mats to share our love of books. The remaining money has been combined with the very generous donations from the village Pantomime to purchase some new chairs for the children. The old chairs were in desperate need of replacement after about 20 years of use at the Preschool. We have also received a very kind donation from Singleton Birch’s community fund to purchase some new tables for the children.

The Preschool, trustees and all of the staff are so grateful for the support of the village and its community. These donations make a huge difference to the Preschool and our children as with running costs ever increasing spare funds to purchase new resources are often minimal.

Our last major change this year happened in January 2025 when the Preschool converted to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). This means we are still a charity but we are now run by a trustee board rather than a parent committee. Our trustees each bring valuable skills to the Preschool and are highly knowledgeable in their fields. Our board of trustees consists of Stephanie Robinson, Natalie Lusby and myself. We are currently looking at ways to ensure the Preschool thrives for years to come including the option of extending our opening days and hours. Any feedback in relation to the Preschool and parents needs for childcare/changes are always welcome. Please use the preschool email address which is barnetbyunder5s@gmail.com

Church – Allison Thomas: it has been a very busy year for the church with funerals, baptisms and weddings, Christmas and Remembrance. The decision was taken to have a weekly service at 11am for consistency and continuity and this has happened for the last 3 years. Church attendance is slowly climbing and the church is working with the school who have had 6 church

services.

Barnetby Silver Band will be doing fundraising events for the church and the Vale Voice Choir will present a concern on 17th May.

The Church costs over 20k to keep open each year. Chris Thomas continues to cut the grass and the weekly toddler group sees 20 families attending each week. Slimming World has just started meeting in the hall weekly.

The meeting was duly closed at 18.23