



# Barton in Fabis Parish Council

## Newsletter January 2007

### Road Flooding

Over the years the Parish Council has battled with both Rushcliffe BC and Nottinghamshire CC to do something about the poor drainage in the village which often creates flooded roads after only a small downpour, neither will take responsibility. Consequently the Parish Council has decided that although it is not the council's responsibility we are going to investigate and see what improvements can be made, especially on rectory Close and Manor Road.

Whatever is done will be at a cost and the Parish Council has taken the decision to increase the precept to help cover the costs. We would also like to thank Cllr. Lynn Sykes for financial support.

### Save Our Greenbelt

A big thanks to everyone who responded to the EMRA Draft Regional Plan. We understand that around 700 responses have so far been catalogued by the panel secretary and the overwhelming majority of these we believe relate to the proposals to destroy the green belt in the parish and build several thousand homes here.

We expect all the responses will be available for public inspection in early February. The next phase in this process will be the Examination in Public and we are hoping to secure a place for a Parish Council representative.

### Parish Precept

The Parish Council originally agreed to limit any increase in the precept to a maximum of 5%. However, in view of the decision to investigate the road drainage problems the precept has been significantly increased. A Band D

property will in the next financial year have an element of precept equivalent to around £29 for the year.

### Parish Elections

Local Government elections will be held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May this year and as usual the Village Hall will be the local polling station. By law all councillors stand down before the election, consequently there will be five places and all are up for election. Anyone interested will have to complete a nomination form which will probably be available late February early March. The deadline for submitting a nomination is 4<sup>th</sup> April.



The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 8:00 pm in the Village Hall. If you would like anything included on the agenda please let the clerk know latest 12<sup>th</sup> March.

### Bridge over the River Trent

Nottingham City Council ([www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk](http://www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk)) in partnership with Sustrans ([www.sustrans.org.uk](http://www.sustrans.org.uk)) is promoting the idea of a foot and cycle bridge over the River Trent to be located just to the east of the weir.

No firm proposals have been published and the project is dependant upon funding from the Lottery but the Parish Council (and residents on the north side of the river) have concerns over crime and anti social behaviour together with the problems which would be created if even a small number of users drove into the village and parked their cars here

while cycling.



Let us know what you think, talk to any councillor or the clerk.

## Football Team

The football team goes from strength to strength; there is a regular turn out every Wednesday evening. 0730 to 0830 hrs. If you haven't joined in yet and would like to just show up or talk to Rob Newcombe. All ages welcome, the youngest is 15, oldest is 54. there was an eleven aside game at Sutton Bonington over Christmas and we held them to a 4-4 draw and it was all Barton folk, not one ringer in sight!!!! We have some cracking players and could field a regular eleven aside if we had a ground.

## Petition the PM

Everyone now has the opportunity to address, sign and deliver a petition directly to the Prime Minister with a new online service. Charities, campaign groups and individuals can use e-Petitions to setup petitions that matter and have them automatically delivered to the PM's office. For more information go to [www.icele.org/site/index.php](http://www.icele.org/site/index.php)

## Trees

We are pleased to report that the County Council finally agreed to prune some of the trees in the village and eventually spent three days dealing with all the trees in the village and on the approach roads.

Rushcliffe BC has all but ended the tree-planting scheme and the budget has been much reduced. However, we hope the County will provide some trees for planting on the roadside verges, if you have any suggestions where you would like to see trees planted let the clerk know.

## Mobile Library

The mobile library will be in the village on

31 <sup>st</sup> Jan	14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	28 <sup>th</sup> Feb
14 <sup>th</sup> Mar	28 <sup>th</sup> Mar	11 Apr
25 <sup>th</sup> April	9 <sup>th</sup> May	23 <sup>rd</sup> May

Time 3:35 to 4:10 pm

## What's On

Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust is running a parent & toddler session which involves various wildlife related activities for 2 to 4 year olds, 10:30 am to 12 noon. £3 per child. Meet in Attenborough Nature Centre 7<sup>th</sup> Feb and 7<sup>th</sup> Mar. Full programme at [www.wildlifetrust.org.uk/nottinghamshire](http://www.wildlifetrust.org.uk/nottinghamshire)

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