PARISH Newsletter

October 2026

BARTON-LE-CLAY
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE

The Annual Remembrance Sunday service will take place at the War Memorial on **Sunday 8th November 2026**.

Uniformed organisations and parishioners are asked to **congregate at the War Memorial, Hexton Road from 10.40am**. **The Act of Remembrance will begin at 10.55am** followed by the parade to St Nicholas Church for the service. *All Welcome*

PLEASE NOTE THAT A TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE WILL BE IN FORCE BETWEEN

10.30AM – 11.30AM

ON SUNDAY 8TH NOVEMBER

TO ALLOW THE REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE AND PARADE TO ST NICHOLAS CHURCH TO TAKE PLACE SAFELY

Roads affected are:

- Hexton Road from the junction with Manor Road (including all adjoining roads) to the Luton Road junction.
- Luton Road from the Sports Field entrance to Hexton Road and
- Bedford Road from Hexton Road to Sharpenhoe Road roundabout

including the slip road & off shoot roads







GATES AT THE RECREATION GROUND

We're pleased to report that a new pedestrian gate and vehicle gates will be installed by the Play Area at the Arnold Recreation Ground. In addition, the gates opposite Washbrook Close are being refurbished and additional fencing added to both entrances to deter motorised bikes and scooters entering the park to improve safety.

Local Elections

Our Village Needs You!



Have you thought about becoming a Parish Councillor?

Local Parish and Ward Councillor elections are taking place on **6 May 2027,** and we're encouraging residents who are passionate about their community to consider standing as a Councillor to help shape the future of the Village.

Councillors play a vital role in representing local residents and influence decisions that affect communities.

You do not need previous experience, skills are gained through work, family life, caring responsibilities and volunteering. Councillors receive training and support to help them carry out their duties effectively.

You can find out more by contacting the Parish Clerk

1 Windsor Parade

01582 883990

theparishclerk@bartonleclay-pc.gov.uk

WARNING
Unsafe Memorial

Please do not attempt to remove this label.
Please call the cemetery office for further information.

UNSAFE MEMORIALS - What happens next?

Following the completion of the memorial safety inspection carried out by an independent qualified inspector, you will see that a number of memorials have been identified as unsafe. Memorials with higher risk have had a label attached to warn visitors of potential danger.

What do I do if my memorial has been identified?

In the coming weeks we will be contacting the grave owner (using the address details we hold) to discuss the inspectors findings and what they should do next. It is the responsibility of the grave owner to make arrangements for the memorial to made safe. The memorial may still be under warranty or you may have insurance that will cover this but the stone mason will be able to help you further.

A small number of graves may no longer have a living owner and if a relative cannot be found it may be necessary for the memorial to be laid down.

Please make sure that you keep your contact details up to date with the Parish Office 1 Windsor Parade, phone 01582 883990 or email s.cowie@bartonleclay-pc.gov.uk

You can keep up to date with all News, Events and Council Meetings by visiting our website www.bartonleclay-pc.gov.uk

Follow our Facebook page: Barton-le-Clay Parish Council

Volunteers Needed!

Do you have a little spare time and could consider volunteering?

Volunteering in our local Community Groups is a fantastic way to meet new people with similar interests, share knowledge and skills.

The Coronation Community Garden and Blooming Barton are both looking for volunteers. You don't have to be green fingered or an expert in plants, but have an interest and want to support these facilities.

You can find out more by contacting the Parish Office

REPORT CRIME TO BEDFORDSHIRE POLICE

SEE IT, SAY IT, SORTED!

We often hear about crime in the village but is it being reported to the Police?

Bedfordshire Police, along with other Police Forces are facing real cuts to their budgets and the reality of this is that Policing resources are limited.

It is more important than ever to report all crime to Bedfordshire Police so there is a true picture of crime in our Village.

There are several ways in which you can report crime -
call 101,
visit Bedfordshire Police website: www.beds.police.uk
or anonymously via Crimestoppers
If crime is happening now and its an emergency call 999.

SCAN TO REPORT

You can also scan the QR code, which will take you directly to the site

BE AN ACTIVE BYSTANDER

CALL 999 IN AN EMERGENCY
NEVER PUT YOURSELF IN DANGER,
ONLY INTERVENE IF IT IS SAFE TO DO SO

Safer Streets BEDFORDSHIRE