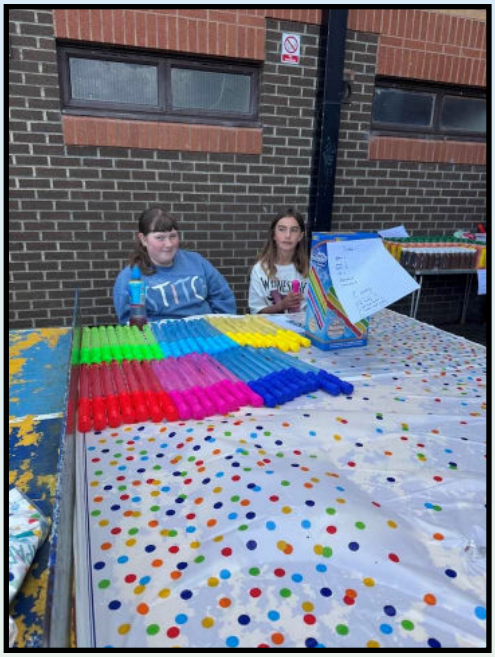
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Newsletter - Sunshine, Smiles, and Sack Races: Barton's First Big Lunch Brings Community Together



The Barton Big Lunch took place on Sunday, 8th June, at the Barton Neighbourhood Centre, marking a joyful celebration of the volunteers who help make Barton and Barton Park better places to live, work, and grow.

Organised by Barton Community Association (BCA), the event welcomed residents of all ages for an afternoon of sunshine, connection, and creativity. The celebration aimed to thank the many dedicated volunteers who give their time to support the local community.

Special guests included Cllr Glynis Phillips and Cllr Mike Rowley, who presented the volunteers with thank you cards and small tokens of appreciation on behalf of the community. "A lovely event to give a massive thank you to all the volunteers who give up their time and skills and make Barton a great place to live," said Cllr Phillips, who later joined children in painting the community art wall.



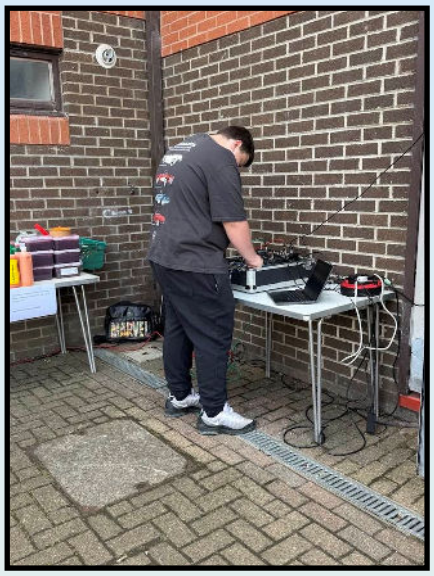
Cllr Glynis Phillips



Katy Cockram, event organiser and BCA Trustee

Barton Art Wall, recently restored, became a highlight of the day. Organiser Katy Cockram, a trustee of BCA, handed out pots of paint to attendees, inviting everyone to add their own splash of colour. Children and adults alike took part freestyling on the wall adding their own

artistic creation.



Local volunteer Dorian Neil provided the soundtrack as the event's DJ, and his upbeat music set the tone for an afternoon of celebration. Children enjoyed face painting, blowing bubbles, and taking part in traditional games such as the sack race, which sparked plenty of fun and laughter.

BCA was supported by fellow community group Love Barton, whose help contributed to the day's success.

This was Barton Community Association's first Barton Big Lunch, and Katy Cockram said, "but it certainly won't be our last. The atmosphere today was full of joy and neighbourly spirit. It was a great opportunity to get the word out that the Barton Art Wall is for everyone to use whenever they want to, nobody needs to ask permission to use it."

With blue skies and big smiles, Barton's first Big Lunch was a resounding success.





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Oxford Ice Rink

SEN session £6.00 per person
Mondays 1.30pm-2.45pm
Instructor on the Ice

These sessions are designed to provide a more accessible and enjoyable ice-skating experience for individuals with sensory sensitivities, disabilities, or other conditions that might make a regular ice skating session challenging.
Reduced noise, dimmed lights and sensory toy
Has limited numbers of participants to create a less overwhelming environment

Wellbeing Session £5.00 (includes skate hire)
Fridays 3pm-4.15pm
Instructor available

A "wellbeing skate session on ice" refers to a recreational skating activity focused on enhancing physical and mental well-being. It's a chance to engage in a fun, active way while reaping benefits like stress reduction, improved balance and coordination, and a boost to mood. These sessions are designed to be accessible to all skill levels, making them a great way to experience the benefits of skating without the pressure of competition. A program designed to promote and improve overall well-being. These sessions can focus on various aspects of well-being, including physical health, mental health, emotional well-being, and social connections.

Chatty Café Free
Fridays 4.15pm

Stay on after our wellbeing session or just join us for our new Chatty café session in our brand-new café. With board games, children's books and discounted coffee/tea challenge our staff to your favourite game, talk to us about your day or read some books in our quite corner – either way we love a natter!

Pleas click the following link for mor information for each sessions. Contact Us | Oxford Ice Rink

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More Leisure

Offer extended until the end of July. Residents can obtain the offer and a membership from their local leisure centre.



Body Politic

Our camp is an exciting five-day summer camp filled with hip-hop dance, fitness & sports sessions, t-shirt designing, and a special end-of-week performance.

*Body Politic is a registered HAF (Holiday Activity Fund) provider funded by Oxfordshire County Council. We have several fully funded spaces available for children in receipt of free school meals and we'd love to share this opportunity with families and children who might benefit.

- Ages 7-11yrs
- 4th-8th August
- Barton Park Primary School, OX3 9WN
- £200 Full Price*

*Fully funded paces and sibling discount available

To find out more, please visit: https://bodypoliticdance.com/classes/holidaycamps/

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BCA's Summer Activities 2025

Please see flyer above for more information.



Connect the Youth Gameplan Event

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More Leisure SEN Soft Play Sessions

Please see flyer above for more information.

Barton Moves

Movement and Relaxation Classes
Summer term 2025 dates: Monday 12 May to 21 July 2025 (excluding 26 May), 1pm to 3pm
Barton Neighbourhood Centre, Underhill Circus, OX3 9LS. Class runs from 1pm to 2pm then social time from 2pm to 3pm - £3 per session on a drop in basis.

Gentle movement and relaxation in a calm environment to help ease feelings of stress and anxiety, followed by cup of tea and a chat. For adults of all physical abilities and levels of fitness, the sessions are friendly, relaxing and good for mental and physical wellbeing. For more info, contact Jane Castree - janedancinoxford@outlook.com / 0753 8 789721.

Dance for Health Classes
Summer term 2025 dates: Wednesday 7 May to 9 July 2025 (excluding 28 May), 1pm to 3pm
Barton Neighbourhood Centre, Underhill Circus OX3 9LS. Class runs from 1pm to 2pm then social time 2pm to 3pm. £3 per session on a drop in basis.

An opportunity for people living with long-term health conditions to come together, socialise and have fun, followed by a cup of tea & a chat. All movement can be done seated or standing and taken at own pace, and is suitable for wheelchair users or people with mobility aids. For more info, contact Jane Castree - janedancinoxford@outlook.com / 0753 8 789721.

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NEW Inclusive Youth Dance classes
Bright Sparks
Summer term 2025 dates: Wednesday 7 May to 9 July 2025 (excluding 28 May), 3.30pm to 4.45pm
Barton Neighbourhood Centre, Underhill Circus OX3 9LS. Class runs from 1pm to 2pm then social time 2pm to 3pm. £3 per session on a drop in basis.

Lively and fun creative movement sessions for 5-11years. For more info, contact Jane Castree - janedancinoxford@outlook.com / 0753 8 789721.

Movement Power
Summer term 2025 dates: Wednesday 7 May to 9 July 2025 (excluding 28 May), 4.45pm to 6.00pm
Barton Neighbourhood Centre, Underhill Circus OX3 9LS. Class runs from 1pm to 2pm then social time 2pm to 3pm. £3 per session on a drop in basis.

Dynamic and energetic movement sessions for 11-18years. For more information, contact Jane Castree - janedancinoxford@outlook.com / 0753 8 789721.



Belly Dancing at Barton Neighbourhood Centre

Belly Dancing classes on Saturdays between 10.30am – 11.30am. The classes are running for an initial period until end of July and restart again in September if attendee numbers are good. The cost will be £5 for four sessions and all participants must have a current BCA membership costing £2 per year. You can pay your BCA membership when you sign up for the class if you are not already a member. You do not need to register in advance, just turn up on the day. Dress code – light, comfortable

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casual clothing recommended.

For any further information please contact sue@bartoncomunityassociation.com



Barton Fields Allotments

Please see flyer above for more information.

Pilates Classes at Barton Neighbourhood Centre

On Fridays between 11.00am – 12 noon and will run term time only. All participants will need to be members of BCA which is £2 per year. The cost is £5 for four sessions (no single session payments accepted) . Please bring along your own mat if you have one but we do have a few for sale at £5 each.

Extra Pilates Class on Tuesdays at Barton Neighbourhood Centre from 5.30pm – 6.30pm in the main community hall. Cost is £5 for four sessions plus all participants will need to be BCA members (£2 per year if you haven't already got a membership). This course will run until end of July so we can monitor attendance numbers and if numbers are adequate will start again in September.

For any further information please email Sue sue@bartoncommunityassociation.com.

BCA Website and Facebook Pages

The Barton Community Association website can be found on the following link: https://www.bartoncommunityassociation.com/

Contact Number: 07566 755544

The main Barton Community page can be found on the following link:

https://www.facebook.com/bartoncommunity

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The Barton Youth Activities page can be found on the following link:
https://www.facebook.com/BartonYouthActivities



Barton Community Larder

Barton Community Larder runs every Tuesday from the sports hall at Barton Neighbourhood Centre. The larder is open to everyone, and we welcome visits anytime we're open so you can look around and chat to volunteers to see if the larder will work for you.

The larder is now open from 10am to 7pm with no break. The larder café is also now open from 10am to 4pm and are serving basic, inexpensive lunches.

For further information or if you have any questions, please contact Sharon at sharong@bartoncommunityassociation.com or on 01865 761987 .

£1 Meals @ Barton Community Larder Café!



Served every Tuesday (other than 27th May when the larder is closed) in the youth club which you can access through the sports hall at Barton Neighbourhood Centre.

Our current menu is:

Bacon Roll
Beans on Toast
A bowl of soup (a variety) with a roll

Our café is open between 10 am and 4 pm and we are serving beans on toast, or a bowl of soup and a roll for **just £1** of your finest British money.

All welcome, you don't need to be a larder member to join us.

Larder Café

Please see flyer above for more information.

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Coach Trips 2025



Thursday 15th May departing at 9.30am to Windsor	£16
Friday 6th June departing at 9.30am to Bourton on the Water	£16
Sunday 20th July departing at 9.30am to Stratford	£16
Tuesday 29th July departing at 7.30am to Eastbourne	£16
Wednesday 6th August departing at 7.30am to Brighton	£16
Thursday 14th August departing at 7.30am to Weymouth	£16
Friday 22nd August departing at 7.30am to Bournemouth	£16
Thursday 28th August departing at 7.30am to Southend-on-Sea	£16

If you would like to book seats on any of the above trips, you will need to have a current BCA membership (£2 for 2025 for anyone aged 16+ or free for anyone under the age of 16)

Please call Sue on 07866 460446 or sue@bartoncommunityassociation.com

or Mandy on 07566 755544 or mandy@bartoncommunityassociation.com

or Sharon on sharong@bartoncommunityassociation.com

Seats can be paid for by instalments and either by cash, cheque or BACS transfer

Bank details: Metro Bank Barton Community Association Account No. 42609781 Sort Code 23-05-80 Please use your surname for reference if paying by BACS

For any further information, please call or email using the details above.

All trips are subsidised by Barton Community Association

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Please contact either Sue at sue@bartoncommunityassociation.com or Mandy at mandy@bartoncommunityassociation.com to book a place.

Exercise Classes at Barton Neighbourhood Centre

Come and join for some fun exercise classes which are open to everyone!

Mondays

Zumba Gold 11am to 12 noon—£5 for four sessions

Line Dancing 6.30pm to 7.30pm—£5 for four sessions

Tuesdays

Pilates 5.30pm to 6.30pm—£5 for four sessions

Yoga 6.30pm to 7.30pm—£10 for five sessions

Thursdays

Zumba 6.30pm to 7.30pm—£10 for five sessions

Fridays

Pilates 11am to 12noon—£5 for four sessions

Saturdays

Body Toning 9:30am to 10.30am—£10 for five sessions

Belly Dancing 10:30am to 11:30am—£5 for four sessions

All classes run term time only and all attendees need to have a current BCA membership costing £2 per year. This can be completed when you attend your first session if you don't already have a membership.

For further details, please contact Sue on 07866460446 or sue@bartoncommunityassociation.com.

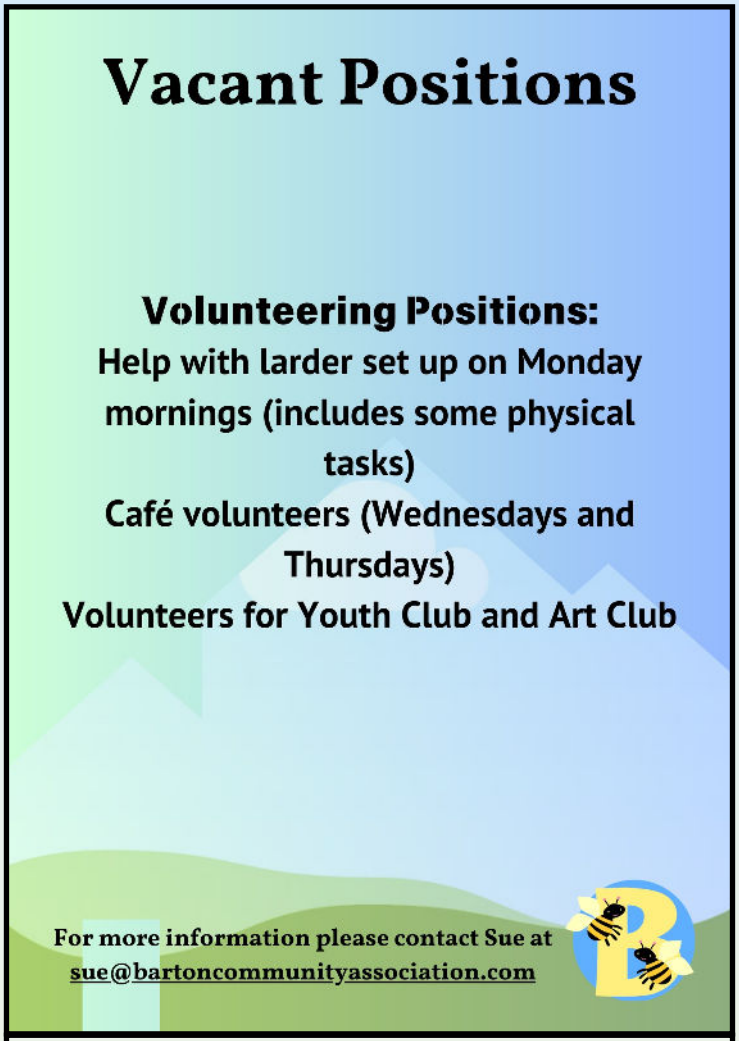
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Eatwells Café

A variety of reasonably priced items is available on the menu. Please come and support the café. Grab a quick bite or a drink, or maybe use it as a friendly meeting place to catch up with friends and neighbours. There is a warm cosy space available in which to enjoy your food and drink. We are also looking for some volunteers to come along and help us run the café during opening hours. If you have a couple of hours spare, please get in touch with Kristine at kristine@bartoncommunityassociation.com.



Volunteering

We at Barton Community Association are so lucky to have so many wonderful volunteers helping us in various ways, but we still have some areas that we need more help with. Please see flyer above for more information or contact Sue at sue@bartoncommunityassociation.com.

Birthday Cakes

Do you know a child who would love a birthday cake, but their carers cannot afford one for them? If so, Free Cakes for Kids may be able to help. Further details can be found here.

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Barton Youth Activities (Term time only)

Art Club—Mondays 3:45pm to 5:15pm (For ages 6 to 11)
Revision Club—Tuesdays 4:00pm to 5:30pm (For GCSE students)
Body Politic —Tuesdays 4:30-5:30pm (for ages 11 to 18)
Science Club (by Science Oxford)—Wednesdays 4:00pm to 5:30pm (For Key Stage 2)
Bright Sparks—Wednesdays 3:30pm to 4:45pm (For ages 5 to 11)
Power Movement—Wednesday 4:45pm to 6pm (For ages 11 to 18)
Junior Youth Club—Thursdays 4:00pm to 5:30pm (For ages 8 to 12)
Senior Youth Club—Thursdays 6:00pm to 7:30pm (For ages 12 to 16)
Cooking Class— Fridays 4:00pm to 5:15pm (For ages 11 to 16) FULL
Messy Jam—Fridays 6:00pm to 7:00pm (For ages 11 to 18)

For more information, please contact Kristine at kristine@bartoncommunityassociation.com.

Each month we would like to feature someone who volunteers in either Barton or Barton Park. If you are a volunteer who would like to be featured, or know somebody who would, please can you send Kristine a photo and a bit about them, so for example how long they've been connected with Barton or Barton Park, what voluntary work they do, what they feel they gain from volunteering, how long they have volunteered for, their advice to anybody thinking about volunteering etc. Kristine's email is kristine@bartoncommunityassociation.com.



Community Activity Directory

Headington Action have complied a handy Community Activity Directory. For further details please see the flyer attached or click here.

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Throwback Photos of the Month



Barton Bash 2019



Barton Bash 2019



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