

## Barton Woodland Burial Ground Newsletter

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### MEET THE TEAM ON WEDNESDAYS

Liz Matthews, Barbara  
Segrave and Hilary Jackson  
are at Barton every  
Wednesday.

Drop by anytime between  
10am and 2pm.

Tea, coffee and squash  
available

## The New Memorial Book

I've found what I hope will be an acceptable alternative. The paper is A4 in size and already has pre-creased, hole punched edges. It should go easily through any computer printer, and it will be much simpler to insert the finished tribute into the binder.

Instructions have been written so if you are ready to create a tribute, just telephone me and I'll explain the procedure. I'm looking for a guinea pig to test everything and give me some feedback!



# Glebe Notes

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### The Big Day – Saturday 22nd August



I am delighted to announce the date that the North Glebe is to be consecrated by the Bishop of Ely, chair of our Trustees.

This will also be the first event of our 2015 open day. We hope to have some live music, a talk or two, refreshments of course and some family based activities.

The proceedings will begin at 11am and all are welcome to witness the momentous event. Consecration is the setting aside of land or buildings for sacred use in perpetuity and the burial ground becomes legally consecrated as the Bishop signs a document called a Sentence of Consecration.

If you would like to see the more detailed programme for the whole day, email me at the address on the back page. A bulletin will be emailed to everyone at the beginning of August. Exciting isn't it!

Hilary Jackson, Administrator

### Headlines

- Open day plans
- Mens Group
- New Memorial book now available



Bishop Stephen Conway

## What's been going on?

You may all remember the awful mud in January and February. This caused us lots of problems but with a special thank you to Tracy O'Leary of Woodland Wishes, we were able to use this alternative but very elegant transport instead.



## Re-launch of the Barton Men's Group

A while ago, the Arbory team thought some gentlemen who regularly visit, usually on their own, might like to meet others in the same boat. A small group has met twice as a sort of pilot and those who came then, think it's worth continuing. But a few more members would be a really good idea. Surely there must be more out there?

So gentlemen, what do you think? The aim is just to connect people, to share experiences, to provide a safe, informal and friendly forum for advice and support. Another meeting will be arranged for June at Barton and cake is often on hand! Contact Hilary if you'd like to try it

## Policy reminder

✓	✗
UK wildflowers	NO hybrids or foreign species
Weeds and brambles	NO gardening
Flowers laid flat	Plant pots or ornaments
Herbs and grasses	Vases or cards
Plaques laid flat	Plastic or fabric flowers
<b>PLEASE – NO PLASTIC BAGS IN THE GREEN WHEELIE BINS</b>	

## Inappropriate planting and over gardening

We have had an increasing number of complaints recently about over gardening. Graves are being dramatically weeded and tidied up, and their edges clearly demarcated. Definite boundaries and surrounding channels have appeared. It really must stop. It's against all our rules

And large numbers of non-native flowers have also been planted including hyacinths and exotic coloured tulip varieties. Many different daffodil varieties have also appeared this spring. These plants are not permitted and it really must stop. It's against all our rules.

Over the summer therefore, inappropriate plants will be removed and we hope you will be understanding. It is not a process intended to cause additional grief, the aim is to ensure the rules are properly enforced. The removed plants will be potted up for collection and wildflower seed will be sown by way of replacement. Suitable plants are available for sale between 11 and 12 noon on Wednesdays and staff will always give advice as to what is allowed.

Families choose Barton because of its natural beauty, the trees and meadows, the birds and wildlife. Please help us to keep it natural.

## And don't waste your money on these . . .

Rabbits just love the flowers of spray chrysanthemums. I took this photo not 24 hours after this bunch of flowers was placed. Carole the plant lady and I are rewriting the wildflower leaflet at the moment. We want to include more plant care advice and list species that rabbits might possibly leave alone. There are some apparently, but no guarantees!

