## **BARROW ON TRENT WI**

## **ANNUAL REPORT TO PARISH COUNCIL 2021/22**

We finally held our first branch meeting post lockdown at the Village Hall in July 2021, it was great to all get together again. Our speaker that night was a forensic scientist. Since then our talks have included serious subjects such as Children at risk of Exploitation and County Gangs and more lighthearted ones and none more so than in February when two of our very own members organised a "fun evening" of games and quizzes which turned out to be just that.

Our summer outing last August was to Tutbury Castle once again where we had a buffet and a delightful but quite a sad talk by Catherine of Aragon (Lesley Smith). We finished off the year with a meal at The Boars Head at Sudbury.

There have been three theatre visits this year to Repton School and Derby Theatre and there are two further outings planned in July, a canal boat trip and an outing to the Althorp Estate. Our summer treat in August is an outdoor buffet with a demonstration of cocktail making and tasting!

Our chosen charities this year are The Hope Centre, Skegness Holiday Centre, Air Ambulance, Treetops and Royal British Legion. A collection was made in March for the Ukrainian refugees.

Our membership until April 2022 was 25, subs for this coming financial year are being collected at present. Our bank balance is healthy.

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