

Volunteer of the Year: Barbara Bartle



Barbara has dedicated over 25 years to voluntarily running the village playgroup in Sturton Le Steeple, held in the church fortnightly, also volunteering prior to this for several years as a church warden.

‘Barbara is a lynch pin of the local community and is dedicated to supporting the people and the needs of the community. She has had a huge positive impact on increasing connections and reducing social isolation in the community.’

Barbara

- ✓ Has been a school governor for over 25 years and regularly holds activities for groups of children in her own time.
- ✓ Organises a Christmas Eve service every year for the community, as well as organising the village Christmas tree lighting, regular fundraising raffles, cake sales, and Santa visits for the children.
- ✓ Has held annual Macmillan coffee mornings, for over 10 years, raising over £500 each year.
- ✓ Said that it is this sense of purpose, that gives her a reason and incentive to get out of bed in the morning and keep going. She loves being part of the community, giving to others and also feels a sense of pride in her contribution to the community.