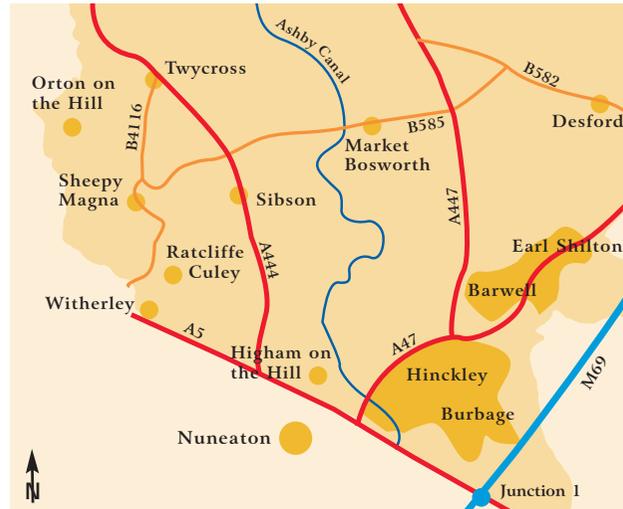


A major new exhibition by leading international photographer Barbara Hind, is being launched on October 8th at Ratcliffe Culey Church in South West Leicestershire.

Barbara has been sponsored over recent months by the Arts Council, New Perspectives, Hinckley Borough Council and the Sheepy and District Community Arts Group to capture in words and pictures the essence of rural life in the 5 villages of The Sheepy Group. She has photographed many local people, both younger and older and interviewed them to distill their memories and also to paint a picture of life in the villages in the early 21st Century.

Barbara has also interwoven the question "What is The Church For?" into her interviewing and the exhibition will include some of the answers which local people have given.

The Sheepy and District Community Arts Group was chosen to work with Barbara on the project having a good track record in delivering quality arts events into the villages of Sheepy Magna, Twycross, Ratcliffe Culey, Atherstone, Sibson and Orton-on-the-Hill. She worked closely with committee members whilst interviewing local people and touring the area.



### Exhibition Dates & Venues

- Fri 8th October, 6pm to 8pm - Launch of Exhibition at Ratcliffe Culey Church. The exhibition will continue there from Sat Oct 9th - Wed 13th Oct from 1pm to 5pm each day.
- Sat 16th Oct - Tues 19th Oct at St Ediths Church at Orton on the Hill from 1pm to 5pm each day.
- Fri 22nd - Fri 29th October at Ten-Two Gallery, Hinckley and Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council Offices.
- Fri 22nd October - Sat 13th November at Concordia Theatre, Stockwell Head, Hinckley

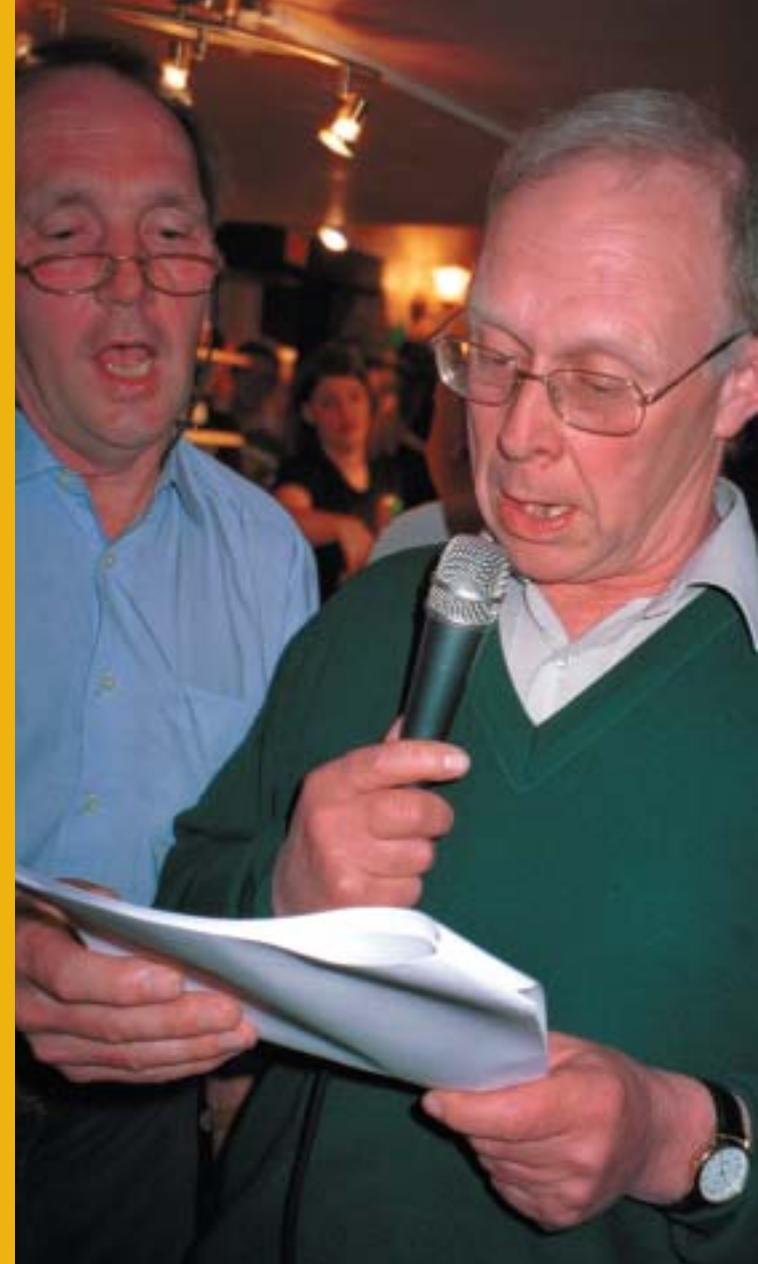
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# Sheepy Tales

An Exhibition of Photographs by Barbara Hind





Front page: The opening of the Post Office in Sheepy Magna Church by Local Resident Lucy.

Top left: Donna with lambs.

Below far left: Flower arranging class Ratcliffe Culey Church.

Below left: Art class Ratcliffe Culey Church.

Top right: Lane Setting at the Gate Inn, Ratcliffe Culey. This is an annual tradition, dating back to the Enclosure Act, of auctioning off verges and ancient tracks in the village. Afterwards locals sing traditional songs such as "Little Yellow Bird".

Below right: Sheepy resident Lucy.

Below far right: Art class at Ratcliffe Culey Church.

