

Bramham Parish News



A different angle of our Church taken by a Resident

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BRAMHAM CUM OGLETHORPE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Call to Action: Engaging in the Revision of Our Neighbourhood Plan
Bramham's current Neighbourhood Plan has been a successful tool in guiding development in our community since it was adopted in 2019 and supported by Leeds City Council (LCC) and an overwhelming majority of those who voted in the referendum. However, even though it runs until 2033 it is crucial that this plan evolves with our changing needs and priorities and is used by LCC to support their decision making.

LCC will shortly be undertaking a consultation prior to drafting a new Local Plan for Leeds. This Plan will shape planning decisions up to 2040. It is important that our Neighbourhood Plan is reviewed, and if necessary amended, prior to the Leeds Local Plan being finalised to ensure that the needs of Bramham residents are properly considered.

The Parish Council has already set up a Neighbourhood Plan Review Working Group and obtained initial advice from Leeds City Council Planning Officers. We shall in the Autumn, be embarking on a review and possible revision of our Neighbourhood Plan and we need your involvement and help to ensure it truly reflects the aspirations of our community.

How You Can Participate:

1. **Attend Community Meetings:** Initially, we will be hosting a community meeting in Autumn where you can share your ideas and feedback on the current plan. These sessions are vital for gathering diverse perspectives.
2. **Complete Surveys and Questionnaires:** Your input is invaluable. We will be distributing surveys and questionnaires to gather detailed feedback on specific aspects of the plan.
3. **Join the Steering Group:** We are always looking for enthusiastic residents to join our steering group. This is a great opportunity to play a hands-on role in shaping our neighbourhood's future.
4. **Stay Informed:** Keep up with updates through the Parish magazine, our Neighbourhood Plan website, and the Parish Council website. We will also use these platforms to announce events and share progress.
5. **Engage with Online Platforms:** Use our online platforms to share your thoughts and stay informed about the latest developments. Your participation helps us understand the community's priorities.

Together, we can ensure that the revised Neighbourhood Plan continues to meet our needs and aspirations, guiding Bramham's development in a way that benefits us all. Let's take this opportunity to actively shape the future of our community. Your voice matters—let it be heard!

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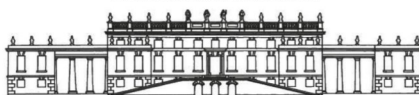
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September update

CRIME REPORT: The crime figures for July and August were received by the Parish Council on 11th September. The figures for August were inflated by the number of crimes associated with the music festival but once these had been stripped out the number of crimes reported in the Ward was comparable to those of the previous months. It was reported at the PACT meeting (held on 3rd September) that entry in two of the burglaries was through open windows. As ever the main message is: Please remain vigilant and do not become complacent with regard to locking doors and windows etc. Do not forget that if you know of a crime that has been or is being committed then do not put yourself in harm's way but contact the police as appropriate – 999 for emergencies and 101 for non-urgent reporting. Residents are encouraged to use the Operation SNAP facility if they have verifiable video footage [(dash cam/head cam etc) of an incident (driving offence)] which can be uploaded by visiting the **sitesaferroadsmediasubmissions.westyorkshire.police.uk**. Please note this portal can only be used for driving offences, it is not for submitting footage of Road Traffic Collisions or public order offences and is NOT for reporting crime.

Sadly, there has been one further episode of antisocial behaviour in the Parish Centre causing criminal damage to the walls, which have now been repaired. Having taken advice the knives and forks have been removed from the cutlery drawer and Council is considering the installation of CCTV within the building and appropriate prominent signage. Should CCTV be installed then its use would be governed by a strict policy which would only allow the Clerk to view the footage should an incident occur. No other Councillor or member of the public would be allowed access to the footage. Users of the building should not be concerned that it will be intrusive of their activities unless they be of an antisocial nature.

BRAMHAM HOUSE DEVELOPMENT: The developers are currently involved in a pre-application process for the site and further details will be made available in due course. Please remember the site remains private property and residents should not enter the site, both because it is a private area and for health and safety reasons; it remains in essence a building site with all the attendant hazards. CCTV is in operation. We have been notified that LCC Highways are requiring the developers to cut back the vegetation along Freely Lane where their property abuts the roadway. This is scheduled to take place on the 16th.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN REVIEW: Please note the article elsewhere in the Magazine.

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MEMORIAL CROSS: The majority of the conservation work has now been completed, three brass fixings are on special order to replace those missing from the plaques affixed to the column and further discussion is taking place regarding the possibility of removing the four rusted studs at the corners of the base of the plinth. We have been advised by the conservator that any attempt to remove the rust stains is likely to further damage the stonework and should therefore not be attempted.

STATIC SIDs: The three additional static SIDs are now in place and the data is being submitted to LCC Highways as well as the summary being published on the Parish website.

PAVILION: The surveyor's report has been received and quotes for the essential/necessary reparative works are being sought.

CHILDREN's PLAYGROUND: The major repair to equipment, the "cone climber" (highlighted by the annual safety report) has now been completed.

The first of a series of quarterly meetings, concerning Road Safety, was held on 10th September, in the Parish Centre and included Ward Councillors, Parish Councillors from Bramham and Clifford, the Clerk who serves both Bramham and Clifford the LCC Highways Chief Engineer for the Ward and residents of both villages. Three priority areas were highlighted; the pedestrian access to Bramham Primary School, the junction of Bowcliffe Road with Paradise Way and the speed limit along Aberford Road. Other problem areas were discussed and these included the re-positioning of the 30mph speed sign on Toulston Lane at the approach to Aberford Road, the cutting back of vegetation which was obscuring the road signage and introducing a central white line along the stretch of Toulston Lane involving the blind bend and deep dip. The next meeting will be held in the Bramham Parish Centre at 4.00pm on Tuesday 3rd December.

Cllr. Mike Corrigan, Bramham cum Oglethorpe Parish Council

Accessing the current Bramham Neighbourhood Plan

☐ You can access the Bramham Neighbourhood Plan via the Bramham Parish website -

<https://bramhamparishcouncil.gov.uk/>

☐ Or copy and paste this link into your browser: [https://](https://bramhamparishcouncil.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Bramham-cum-Oglethorpe-Neighbourhood-)

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We are here to fill you in on the details, so if you want to know more please do get in touch with our Group Scout Leader – Ruth on 07786 525593 or email at ruthmiddleton27@btinternet.com.

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Classical Beauty and the Gunpowder Plot

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Then on 31 October at 8.00pm, just a few days before Bonfire Night, Tony Morgan, Associate Professor at the University of Leeds, will discuss Guy Fawkes's background in Tudor York, the history behind the 1605 Gunpowder Plot and reveals the myriad of Yorkshire connections.

More about the programme can be found on www.lintonantiquesociety.org.uk You can become a member of the Society for just £30, individual, and £55, joint, which gives access to all seven presentations during the season. You can join through the Society's website or by contacting the Membership Secretary on 0113 345 1815.

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New members welcome.contact:

Marion on 844191 Jillian on 844858

Bramham Village Hall Annual General Meeting

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Our visiting monster today is the Revd Jack Bains.

Church toilet out of order. Please use floor below.

MAGAZINE DONATIONS Several months ago we asked if residents would contribute £1 per household to the cost of this magazine and you have all been very generous and almost every week I meet somebody who is anxious to press £1 into my hand. Thank you so much to all those who have contributed.

Clergy letter for October

By the time you read this in the October magazine many of you, like me, will have had a holiday through the 'warmer' months of summer (that does not necessarily mean drier!).

I am writing this in a state of excitement as I pack to go away. There are lists everywhere and odd piles of clothes all over the place. My packing regime is nothing if not chaotic.



Now, a question for you all; what do you do on holiday? Do you make for the mountains, go nature rambling, water-skiing, white water rafting, or like me do you find a quiet corner and read a great book with a fantastic view in front of you? A sense of being away from it all gives you the rest and recuperation that recharges you for the winter months.

Jesus tried hard to build retreat into his life and that of the disciples. He used the down-time as a time to teach them the finer points of his message. He would explain his meaning in the parables he told to the people and talk of God's care of his children. These disciples were being trained to take out the Good News for the time when Jesus would leave them. The book of The Acts of the Apostles tells of their journeys far and wide and Paul's letters to various cities shows his teaching to the new Christian communities.

If you imagine the journeys that each disciple would have had to embark on, I think there would have been plenty of time to engage in the peace and quiet of travelling. The time on board a ship, on the back of a donkey or walking on a pathway leaves time for contemplation.

Do we make that time as we travel? We may not be on foot or the back of a donkey, but we usually have time on the plane, the coach, or in the car to switch off from the outside world and turn to a conversation with Jesus.

As his modern-day disciples we need to think hard on his teaching so that we can be his instruments of communication. We have the

Good News to pass on. Unless we have thought about our own teaching, we will have nothing to show and tell others.

I am sure in the time with Jesus the disciples were not always just listening and learning, the group would have had time for that relaxation that restores a busy mind; the stories, the jokes and maybe the songs will have whiled away the time together.

If your holiday is now a distant memory and you are back in the busyness of everyday life; childminding, shopping, or caring, make sure you do as Jesus did, and find time for that important down-time regularly. Prayer and reading time are restorative and will help greatly with your own wellbeing and fit you up to cope with the demands of Christian life.

As you benefit from that time of peace and quiet, you might also just squeeze in a moment to plan the next holiday!

Revd. Trish

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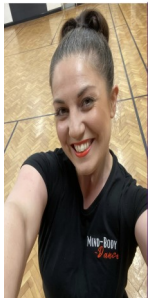
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16th Leslie Frederick Field 1999
Reginald Bustard 2001
17th Jim Vincent Firth 1983
18th Laura Butler 1979
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20th Kenneth Clive Kitson 1994
John Charles Allenby 2007
Emira Cook 2016
21st Fanny Lunn 1955
Lynne Jacqueline Green 1976
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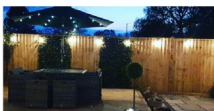
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Don't miss out. **Limited tickets only (not available on the door).**

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now! email adrian.balcombe@bostongreengroup.co.uk

And [read more in our September newsletter](#) about our recent 'walk on the wild side', harvests in our orchards and how a Wetherby business is going green. As well as the usual opportunities to 'have your say', our 'green library' and dates for your diary.

Back issues of [our newsletter are available here](#), where you can subscribe to stay informed.

Adrian, Chair Boston Spa Wetherby and Villages Community Green Group.'

Business Harvest Service

You are invited to a service in **St Mary's Church, Boston Spa** to celebrate and ask for God's blessing upon the businesses of the villages of Boston Spa, Bramham, Thorp Arch, Walton and Clifford.

Wednesday 9th October 2024

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Anne Palmer 01937 842850



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Church Services October 2024

Sunday 6th October

Holy Communion (BCP) 8.00am St Mary's Boston Spa
Celtic Holy Communion 10.00am All Saints' Bramham
Holy Communion 9.30am All Saints' Thorp Arch

All Together at 10am Lay led Christian Aid service St Mary's Boston Spa

Parish Mass 11.00am St Luke's Clifford
Night Prayer 6.00pm St Mary's Boston Spa

Sunday 13th October

Holy Communion (BCP) 8.00am All Saints' Thorp Arch
Harvest Holy Communion 10.00am All Saints' Bramham
Harvest Holy Communion 9.30am St Peter's Walton
Holy Communion 10.00am St Mary's Boston Spa
Parish Worship 11.00am St Luke's Clifford
Night Prayer 6.00pm St Mary's Boston Spa

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Holy Communion 10.00am All Saints' Bramham
Parish Worship 9.30am St Peter's Walton
Harvest Holy Communion 10.00am St Mary's Boston Spa
Parish Mass 11.00am St Luke's Clifford
Evensong 4.30pm All Saints' Thorp Arch
Night Prayer 6.00pm St Mary's Boston Spa

Sunday 27th October

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