



# BRAMLEY UPDATE

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Thursday 16th June – Bramley Parish Council meeting. 7:30pm in the Village Hall meeting room. All welcome.
- Tuesday 21st June – Bramley Parish Council Planning Review committee meeting. 7:30pm in the Village Hall meeting room. All welcome.
- Tuesday 21st to Sunday 26th June – The Life of Christ event at Wintershall Estate. More details below.
- Saturday 25th June – Bramley Infant School Summer Fayre, 12:00pm to 2:00pm.
- Saturday 2nd July – Wintershall Charity Rock Concert at the Wintershall Estate, Bramley.
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- Thursday 14th July – An Evening with Mark England, Team GB Chef de Mission, organised by Bramley Infant School PTFA. 7:30pm in St Catherine's School Auditorium. More details below.
- Saturday 16th July – Village Cricket Picnic on Gosden Common (a joint Bramley Cricket Club and Bramley Village Society event).

## WHAT'S HAPPENED?

### Bramley Parish Council update

At the Parish Council meeting in May, Chairman Patrick Molineux finished his 3-year term as Parish Council Chairman. Francesca Stern was unanimously voted in as the new Chairman, with Richard Seaborne as her Vice-Chairman. We thank Patrick for all of his work over the past 3 years and wish Francesca and Richard good luck for the next 3 years! Tony Coleman was elected as the new Chairman of the Parish Council's Planning committee.

At the meeting, Borough Councillors Richard Seaborne and Maurice Byham reported that Waverley's new Local Plan is nearing completion. It is planned that the Plan will be issued for public consultation towards the end of July. Once it is available, we will let you know through Bramley Update.

The Parish Council, in conjunction with 9 other Parish Councils, has published a report prepared by Vision Transport in response to the Mott MacDonald transport assessment prepared for Waverley Borough Council for input into the Local Plan. You can view both reports on the Parish Council website, or contact the Parish Clerk if you would like hard copies.

The Parish Council, along with our County Councillor Victoria Young, is pushing Surrey Highways for a date when they will install a new vehicle activated road sign on the A281 on the approach to the Infant School. As soon as we know when this will happen, we will let you know.

We have received further reports of the swans at Eastwater Lake attacking walkers, horse riders and horses. The Rights of Way team at Surrey County Council has erected some signage to warn users of the path in the area, but we would like to warn readers that the swans in this area are protecting their young and that they are likely to attack if you get too close.

The Parish Council has applied for a grant from the London Marathon Charitable Trust to help fund improvements at the Eastwood Road play area. Any decision can take up to 16 weeks. We await news and will let you know once we receive a decision.

The minutes of the meeting can be viewed on the Parish Council website ([www.bramleyparish.co.uk](http://www.bramleyparish.co.uk)).

The next Parish Council meeting is taking place on Thursday 16th June in the Village Hall meeting room. The public are very welcome to attend the meeting and will have the opportunity to discuss any matters of interest with the Councillors.

### **Open Garden at Pentire**

Mary Hainline would like to thank all helpers and especially those who visited the Open Garden event at her home in May. The event raised an impressive £1,700 for the SW Surrey Branch of the Motor Neurone Disease Association.

## **WHAT'S HAPPENING?**

### **Interested in a new Cycle route to Guildford?**

The Parish Council is investigating if there is any local demand for a new cycle route to run from Bramley to Guildford. It is not anticipated that this will replace the Downs Link in any way, although where the route will run has not been determined. We are simply assessing levels of demand at this time.

An online survey has been launched that will run until early July. To take part in the survey, follow the link <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/bike100>.

### **Update from Bramley Library**

Hot on the heels of the recent author event when crime writer and raconteur Simon Brett performed his 'Lines of Enquiry' to a capacity audience, Bramley Library is pleased to invite any children to drop in on Saturday 11th June any time between 10:00am and 12:00pm to help make a Beautiful Banner in honour of the Queen's 90th birthday. Guidance will be given by artist Liz Collins and there will be an opportunity to embellish your personal crown. Refreshments will be available for all budding artists. There is no charge for this event.

The number of visitors to our local community library has increased over the past year. In April 2016 there were 200 more visitors than in April 2015 (1,329 this year compared to 1,133 last year). In addition, the number of books that are being borrowed has also increased. The most notable increases were in adult non-fiction with an increase of 12.3% on April 2015, junior non-fiction with an increase of 45.1% and junior fiction with an amazing 62.2% increase. If you are not one of the 1,153 current members of our Library, why not join for free and join others in borrowing from a brilliant collection of fiction, non-fiction and audio books as well as DVDs?!

### **Parking on refuse collection day**

Residents of several of the narrower roads in Bramley have pointed out that collection of refuse is being hampered by cars parked on both sides of the road. These are preventing the refuse and recycling collection vehicles from accessing all the houses in the road. In some cases, this means that older residents

are having to wheel bins some distance down the road to points where the bins can be accessed. If you live in one of these narrower roads, please bear this problem in mind when you park your car on collection day.

### **Overhanging vegetation**

It's the time of year again when shrubs, trees and hedges are growing vigorously. There are one or two places in the village where vegetation at the front of properties is partially obstructing the adjacent pavement. Residents are responsible for cutting back any vegetation that is obstructing a public right of way, so if your garden has strayed a little further than you planned, please give it a trim. If you are an older resident or handicapped and unable to perform this task, please give the Parish Clerk a call on 01483 894138 and the Parish Council will try to find some volunteers to do the job for you.

### **Tick season!**

Now that the weather is getting warmer, we'd like to warn you about the dangers of ticks and Lyme disease. Lyme disease is a bacterial infection that begins with a bite from an infected tick. Lyme disease can affect the skin, joints, heart and nervous system. The Health Protection Agency says there are 2,000 to 3,000 cases of Lyme disease in England and Wales each year.

A common symptom of Lyme disease is a distinctive rash around the bite area. This rash gradually expands over a period of several days, and can reach up to 12 inches (30 cm) across. Parts of the rash may clear as it enlarges, resulting in a 'bull's-eye' appearance. The rash usually feels warm to the touch but is rarely itchy or painful. The rash can develop after a delay of between three to 30 days, with an average of about seven days, after a person is bitten. Other symptoms include flu-like symptoms that can include a stiff neck, chills, fever, swollen lymph nodes, headaches, fatigue, muscle aches and joint pain.

Without treatment, Lyme disease can lead to muscle pain, swollen joints and temporary paralysis of muscles in the face and other neurological symptoms. No vaccine is currently available, so tick awareness, avoidance of tick infested areas if possible, avoidance of long grass, use of appropriate clothing in tick infested areas, and early removal of attached ticks remain the most important prevention measures. Insect repellents containing DEET are also useful to protect uncovered areas of skin.

### **Bramley Infant School Summer Fayre – Saturday 25th June, 12:00pm - 2:00pm**

Yeehaw Cowboys and Cowgirls ... go for a boot stompin' good time at Bramley Infant School Summer Fayre on Saturday 25th June. Roundup starts at 12 noon! See y'all there for BBQ lunch, bar, games saloon, live DJ and loads more! Everyone welcome.

### **Wintershall Charity Rock Concert – Saturday 2nd July**

Tickets are available for the Wintershall Charity Rock Concert taking place at the Wintershall Estate on Saturday 2nd July. Acts performing include Roger Taylor, Mike & the Mechanics, Jeff Beck and many more. Tickets cost £150 each and are available from [www.wintershallconcerts.co.uk](http://www.wintershallconcerts.co.uk), or by telephoning 01483 894948. An audience of more than 3,000 people are expected at this event, so be aware there may be more traffic than usual travelling through the village.

### **Kelly's Summer Cycle**

The charity Cherry Trees, who provide home from home short breaks and respite care for children and young people aged up to 19 years with a range of disabilities including learning, physical and sensory impairments, are organising Kelly's Summer Cycle taking place on Sunday 10th July in the Surrey Hills. There are routes of 20, 49 and 70 miles available, all on rural roads. The shortest route is designed to please leisure cyclists, winding its way through pleasant country lanes and is suitable for accompanied older children whilst the longer routes provide a real challenge for more active cyclists who will enjoy climbing the Surrey Hills. There will also be an event for children or others who would prefer to ride in the safe environment of King George V playing fields in Effingham. Entrance is by voluntary donation and every penny will go straight to Cherry Trees.

For more information, visit <https://charity.kellystorage.co.uk/events/2016/summer-cycle>. If you would like more information on Cherry Trees, you can read their newsletter on their website ([www.cherry-trees.co.uk](http://www.cherry-trees.co.uk)).

### **Bramley Wheels**

This voluntary organisation for the provision of transport to enable residents of Bramley to keep medical appointments is holding its Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 5th July at 2:30pm in the church room of the Roman Catholic church of St Thomas More. Please go along and learn of the achievements of this organisation and see if there is any way in which you could help with the provision of this invaluable service or avail yourself of the service it provides.

### **The Life of Christ, 21st to 26th June at Wintershall**

This powerful biblical outdoor drama takes you back in time to when Jesus lived on earth. Follow over 100 actors in full costume moving through the beautiful grounds of the Wintershall estate in Bramley with its lakes and ancient woodland re-enacting the remarkable events of Jesus' life.

The drama starts at 10:00am on each day, has three acts with a lunchtime interval, and finishes at 3:30pm. Tickets cost £24 for adults, £18 for senior citizens and £12 for children. Family tickets for 2 adults and 2 children are available at a cost of £60. Camping is available for the Saturday night on request. Tickets available from [www.wintershall-estate.com](http://www.wintershall-estate.com) or by calling 01793 418299.

### **Update from St Catherine's School**

#### Senior School Prospective Parents Morning

Wednesday 15th June at 9:15am

Contact Mrs Judy Corben to register for more details on 01483 899609 or [judy.corben@stcatherines.info](mailto:judy.corben@stcatherines.info).

#### Middle School Summer Concert

Friday 17th June at 7:00pm.

Taking place in the Auditorium at the school. No need to pre-book tickets.

#### Middle Cantores Concert

Friday 24th June at 7:00pm.

Taking place at St Mary's Church, Shackelford. No need to pre-book tickets.

#### St Catherine's Presents ... The Band of the Welsh Guards

On Wednesday 5th October at 7:30pm, the Band of the Welsh Guards will be performing at St Catherine's in the Auditorium. Booking details to follow.

### **Surrey Hills Family Summer Concert**

The annual Surrey Hills summer family concert will take place on Saturday 25th June at 6:00pm at Cranleigh Village Hall. The concert features the Surrey Hills Singers, Young Voices and Training Choir and promises to be a delightful evening of quality and communicative singing. The choirs will perform a mix of styles and favourites. The mix of music and variety of performers ensures that it is a concert that all the family will enjoy. Refreshments are included in the ticket prices and are held after the concert with the performers.

All three of these choirs are un-auditioned and new members will be welcome in September. The ladies choir (Surrey Hills Singers) rehearse Monday mornings in Ewhurst; the Training Choir and Young Voices rehearse after school on Mondays in Cranleigh. All choirs sing a variety of styles of music – though the young choirs mainly sing pop, Disney, musicals and gospel – and rehearsals focus on learning vocal technique and improving musicianship alongside learning the songs. The camaraderie of singing in a group is great for personal well-being as well as keeping the brain active. Singing also helps children in many ways educationally too and is the perfect way to improve confidence through performance. It's a very stimulating, relaxing and fun hobby. For further details on how to join, contact Debbie (see below).

Tickets for the concert are £8 for adults and £4 for children under 16 and are available on the door, or by contacting Debbie at [debbie@surreyhills-choirs.co.uk](mailto:debbie@surreyhills-choirs.co.uk) or calling 01483 276281.

### **U3A Wonersh**

The Bridge Group will meet as usual on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month – 7th and 21st – starting at 1.45pm in the Turner Room at Lawnsmead, Wonersh. Or come and join the Egyptology Group on Tuesday 14th at 2.30pm in the Lawnsmead main hall to learn from Clive Barham Carter how to build a pyramid! This

month's walk, on Thursday 16th, will explore along the line of the old A3 with views over the Devil's Punchbowl – meet at 10.00am in the National Trust Car Park at Hindhead (further information from Sheila Warner – 01483 417119). Finally in June, there is a late meeting of the Travel Group at 2.30pm on Thursday 30th in the Lawnsmead Hall, when Joan Heagin will give an illustrated talk on tiger conservation in India.

Details of all other activities can be found on the website at [www.wonershu3a.co.uk](http://www.wonershu3a.co.uk). Or else please telephone Carol Watters on 01483 893280 for a copy of the current printed programme booklet.

**A date for your diary: the next Bramley Music concert on Saturday 9th July at 7:00pm**

Come on a journey through the exciting world of piano and percussion: "Sticking Together" taking place in Holy Trinity Church with Tom Hollister wielding the sticks on percussion together with Richard Saxel on piano. More details next month. Any enquiries to Stuart White (01483 892645, [stuartwhite@waitrose.com](mailto:stuartwhite@waitrose.com)).

**An Evening with Mark England, Team GB Chef de Mission – Thursday 14th July at 7:30pm in St Catherine's School Auditorium (organised by Bramley Infant School PTFA)**

Bramley's very own Team GB Chef de Mission Mark England has offered his time for a fascinating evening – an insight into the Olympics and our Team GB. Thursday 14th July is only a couple of days before Mark takes Team GB to Rio 2016!

The evening will commence at 7:30pm, doors open at 7:00pm. St Catherine's School has kindly donated their auditorium for this event and will open the on-site bar for the intermission. There will be an excellent raffle / auction on the night too with a Rio 2016 Team GB theme. Tickets are on sale now – only £5 per ticket.

Funds raised will go to Bramley Infant School to help funding to improve the school playground. Pop in to the Infant School reception to purchase tickets or email [bramleyptfa@gmail.com](mailto:bramleyptfa@gmail.com) for further information.

**Village Cricket Picnic on Gosden Common – Saturday 16th July**

Having a family picnic with friends and watching your local cricket team are both excellent ways to enjoy an English summer afternoon. So why not do both and come to Gosden Common on Saturday 16th July with your picnic hamper and something to sit on to watch the Bramley Cricket team play (and hopefully beat!) Thursley.

The afternoon is being organised by the Bramley Village Society and Bramley Cricket Club - as well as the cricket match itself, there will be entertainment for the children and a cash bar (beer, wine, Pimm's and maybe some Bramley Cider). Further details to follow, but watch out for flyers and posters around the village. For more information, email BVS ([bramleyvillagesociety@gmail.com](mailto:bramleyvillagesociety@gmail.com)) or call 07715 420793.

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