



BRAMLEY UPDATE

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News from Bramley and Grafham brought to you by Bramley Parish Council

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Tuesday 11th June – Bramley Parish Council Planning Review committee meeting. 7:30pm in the Village Hall meeting room. All welcome.
- Wednesday 19th June – Bramley Fete AGM. 7:30pm in the Holy Trinity Parish Room. More details below.
- Thursday 20th June – Bramley Parish Council meeting. 7:30pm in the Village Hall meeting room. All welcome.
- Saturday 22nd June – Wey & Arun Canal Trust consultation event. 11:00am to 1:00pm in the Library meeting room. More details below.
- Tuesday 25th June – Bramley Parish Council Planning Review committee meeting. 7:30pm in the Village Hall meeting room. All welcome.
- Saturday 6th July - "Country Gardens" concert with Harlequin Chamber Choir. 7:00pm in Holy Trinity church, Bramley.

You can also view local events in the Village Diary at www.bramleyvillagesociety.org/village-diary/. If you would like to add your society, club or organisation's public events to the Village Diary, you can now do so by filling in a simple form (see the link on the website).

WHAT'S HAPPENED?

Bramley Parish Council update

At the Parish Council meeting in May, as the first meeting since the (uncontested) Parish Council elections at the beginning of May, our new Member Bob Stern was welcomed onto the Council. Members were also elected into the following Council positions:

- Chairman of the Council – Richard Seaborne
- Vice-Chairman of the Council – Patrick Leung
- Highways committee Chairman – Martin Foley
- Library committee Chairman – Maurice Byham
- Planning committee Chairman – Patrick Molineux
- Resilience group Chairman – Tony Coleman

Bob Stern will continue in his role of chairing the Neighbourhood Plan working group and Tom Hughes will manage the project to convert the Stone Barn at the Village Hall into office space.

Other matters that were discussed include:

- [Neighbourhood Plan progress](#)
The working group has made significant progress in making amendments to the draft plan since the consultation period earlier this year. Discussions are ongoing with Waverley Borough Council and other organisations to work through some of the other recommendations that we received from the consultation. All those who submitted comments on the Plan to us during the consultation will receive a response from us in due course. We ask for your patience whilst we work through some of the more significant matters.
- [Closure of Boots the Chemist on the High Street](#)
Thank you to those of you who contacted us to tell us the news that the Boots store on the High Street is due for closure in July. The Parish Council shares many of your concerns that the closure of this shop will remove a vital pharmacy service for some members of our community. We wrote to the Managing Director of Boots UK to ask him to reconsider the closure. A response was received this week, which can be viewed on our website at www.bramleyparish.co.uk/community/bramley-parish-council-15042/news1/.
- [Bus shelters](#)
Waverley Borough Council has informed us that the bus shelters on Station Road at the corner of Barton Road and on Birtley Road at Hurst Hill Cottages are suffering from ‘concrete cancer’ and they will be replaced with new ones in the coming months. We are working with Waverley to agree a suitable style for the replacement shelters.

The minutes of the meeting are available on the Parish Council website.

The next Parish Council meeting is taking place on Thursday 20th June. The public are very welcome to attend the meeting and will have the opportunity to discuss any matters of interest with Councillors. The agenda for the meeting will be published on the Parish Council website one week prior to the meeting.

Police update

Two of our Community Policing team attended the Parish Council meeting in May and we had a useful discussion with them about crime within Bramley. They stressed to us the importance of reporting all crimes, however small, to Surrey Police as this has an impact on the levels of policing in the area. It is now very easy to report crimes online at www.surrey.police.uk.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Upcoming roadworks

There seems to be a long list of roadworks planned in and around Bramley in the coming weeks:

Date	Where	Who	What
6th - 12th June	Hall Road	UK Power Networks	‘Give and take’ traffic control in place.
7th June	Snowdenham Lane	BT	Road closed from High Street to Iron Lane
9th June	Birtley Road from Mill Lane to Rooks Hill	Surrey Highways	Road closed between 5:30am and 2:00pm for surface dressing works.
10th June	Bramley High Street	Thames Water	Two-way traffic signals
11th June	Chinthurst Lane, Wonersh	Surrey Highways	Road closed between 7:00am and 6:00pm for surface dressing works.
11th June	Wonersh Common Road, Wonersh	Surrey Highways	Road closed between 9:30am and 3:00pm for surface dressing works.

12th - 13th June	Birtley Road at Chestnut Way	BT	Multi-way traffic signals
17th - 19th June	Bramley High Street from Old Rectory Close to The Coombes	BT	Multi-way traffic signals
17th - 23rd June	Thorncombe Street	BT	Road closed
27th - 28th June	Bramley High Street at The Coombes	Thames Water	Multi-way traffic signals

You can find more information on these and other roadworks on the Surrey County Council website at www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roadworks-and-maintenance/roadworks.

Bramley Fete 2019

Bramley Fete 2019 was a really enjoyable day out – greatly helped along by some balmy weather and a fantastic community-wide effort.

Members of Bramley Fete Committee would like to extend their thanks to everyone involved – all those who manned a stall, sold Grand Draw tickets, parked cars, helped set up / take down or donated their time in any way. They hope everyone who attended had a fantastic time, thank you for coming.

There is still time to apply for a donation from 2019 Fete proceeds – all Bramley village charities, clubs and organisations are eligible for donations from Fete funds. Requests should be made no later than Friday 14th June by email to bramleyfete@gmail.com or in writing FAO Jane Austin to April Cottage, 19 Linersh Wood, GU5 0EE.

The AGM of Bramley Village Fete Association will be held in Holy Trinity Church Parish Room on Wednesday 19th June at 7:30pm. A representative of each organisation applying for funds should attend the AGM in case there are any questions.

Wey and Arun Trust

The Wey and Arun have been planning to extend the canal and have put plans together to build a piece of the canal from Hazels bridge to just past the bridge at Run Common on the Downs Link. The Trust is holding a consultation event for you to look at the plans and discuss with them any ideas you have about them. The consultation event will take place in the meeting room at Bramley Library from 11:00am until 1:00pm on Saturday 22nd June.

Changes at local Recycling Centres

You may not be aware that Surrey County Council has recently made changes to their waste and recycling service:

- Since 7th May the Cranleigh Recycling Centre will now only accept recycling. This is a trial whilst SCC reviews alternative options for maintaining an effective service and to see if it helps residents recycle more waste. Any non-recyclable waste is no longer accepted at this site. For information on what you can take to this site, see www.surreycc.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/community-recycling-centres/cranleigh.
- At most other centres (including Witley and Guildford), you now have to pay for disposing of any waste arising from the construction, alterations or repair of households. This type of waste is considered non-household or DIY waste. To give you an idea of what the charges are, it costs £4 to dispose of 1 bag of rubble, bricks, soil, tiles, etc; £50 to dispose of a carload of these items or a mixed load including these and other chargeable materials. It costs £12 to dispose of 1 single sheet of plasterboard. There is an online petition in place to try to stop this new charging scheme – see petitions.surreycc.gov.uk/Recycle-Charge/?fbclid=IwAR3dgM7TChCT82vuNNk_G87ukj_aLEZsW7CCF7WSgV87GhzWh6_zUjssNII for more information and to sign the petition.

Update from Bramley Library

Thank you to everybody who donated books for the fete and to those who bought them. We had a very successful and enjoyable day. But if you couldn't make the fete and THRILLERS are your genre then do pop into the library where we have a special sale of good as new recent hard backs.

Summer school holidays are approaching and that means the return of the popular Summer Reading Challenge, this year with a theme to commemorate the first lunar landing. More details in July's newsletter.

Bramley Music

On Saturday 6th July at 7:00pm in Holy Trinity Church, Bramley there will be a concert on the theme Country Gardens with Harlequin Chamber Choir, in support of the DEC East Africa Appeal. Picture your favourite English Country Garden scene, and that is where the music of Harlequin will transport you, with many beautiful songs about flowers – with particular emphasis on roses – and other delights of nature. Composers represented include Saint Saens, Elgar, Britten, Finzi, Chilcott, Lauridsen, Meador and Ed Sheeran. Harlequin is directed by Amy Bebbington with flautist Susie Walsh, 'cellist Annelies Scott, and accompanist Margaret Roberts. The wonderful acoustic of Bramley Church provides just the setting for this summer concert. Tickets are £10 (students and under 18s £5) and are available in person in advance from Robertsons in Bramley High Street, or they can be reserved via stuartwhite@waitrose.com / 01483 892645, and they will also be available at the door. There is a free glass of wine or soft drink in the interval. What better activity can there be than spending a summer evening listening to beautiful music while supporting a hugely worthwhile cause in the process?!

Drawn Together By Art

Local artist Mary Hainline will be staging an exhibition of her paintings at Guildford Cathedral from 18th June to 15th August 2019 (except 15th-19th July). She will be there herself on Friday 28th June from 12:30pm to 2:30pm and Wednesday 10th July from 10:30am to 12:30pm. If you're not aware of Mary's work, she paints using a variety of media. Her free brush work and powerful use of vibrant colour reflect her love and joyful enthusiasm for life. See www.maryhainline.com or www.guildford-cathedral.org/events/art/drawn-together-by-art-2019 for more information.

Update from Holy Trinity church

The next Parish Lunch will be held in the Parish Room, at 12:30pm on Sunday 9th June. Please e-mail office@holytrinitybramley.org.uk or phone 890042 to reserve a place. The cost is £5 per head for two courses (excluding drinks), payable on the day.

The next Messy Church will be on Saturday 29th June from 4:00pm to 6:00pm. Play, story, craft activities, singing and a cooked evening meal for parents and children. There is no charge, but a donation towards the cost of craft materials and food would be appreciated.

For all other regular activities and services at Holy Trinity, visit www.holytrinitybramley.org.uk.

Wonersh U3A

The headline news for June is a new Beginners class in Tai Chi starts on Tuesday afternoons in Wonersh Memorial Hall. This complements the very popular Improvers and Intermediate sessions held at Lawnsmead Hall, Wonersh on Tuesday mornings. Tai Chi has many health benefits – with practice one should retain fitness, strengthen limbs, and improve flexibility and balance. Other regular fitness sessions include Pilates on Monday mornings at Lawnsmead Hall, Table Tennis in Bramley Sports Pavilion on Wednesday 19th and a Country Walk on Tuesday 18th starting at Sandy Lane, St Catherines in Guildford.

The month's coach trip is on Wednesday 26th to historic Knebworth House in Herts, with pick-up points in Bramley. As usual, a number of other Wonersh U3A activities this month are based in Bramley, including Woodcarving on Friday 21st, and Art on Friday 28th, both at the Village Hall.

There are also French sessions at Lawnsmead Hall, on Friday 7th and 14th plus Latin at intermediate or advanced levels on Thursdays in Godalming. Book Club is on Monday 8th in the Selwyn Room at Wonersh Parish Church, and Bridge is on Tuesday 18th at Lawnsmead Hall. The pub lunch for June is at the Red Lion, Shamley Green on Wednesday 12th.

Newcomers from all local villages are welcome at any meeting. Information on the full list of Wonersh U3A activities for the retired and semi-retired can be obtained from Cilla Morris on 01483 892348 or by visiting <https://u3asites.org.uk/wonersh>.

Bramley Update is usually circulated between the 4th and 7th of each month. If you have a contribution to the content of a future issue, please send it to bramleyupdate@gmail.com by the end of the preceding month.

Details about future events taking place in Bramley and its immediate vicinity are welcome, as are news items that would be of interest to residents of Bramley. Adverts for job opportunities and information about events outside of our area will not be published.

Best wishes

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