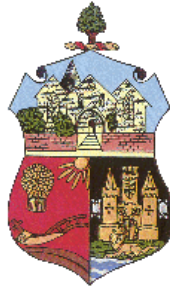


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BRAMLEY UPDATE

April 2026

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

Welcome to Bramley Update! Something you'd like to put into the next edition, or comments about what you'd like to see in it? Email bramleyupdate@gmail.com.

Friends or family in Bramley? Think they'd like to see this email? Please suggest they subscribe (see below). Do you belong to a society or club? You can use this to publicise your events. There's no charge for subscribing or contributing to Bramley Update.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- Thursday 9th April- Bramley Parish Council Annual Assembly - 6.30pm- Bramley Village Hall – All welcome
- Brighten up Bramley volunteer sessions - Saturday 11th, 18th and 25th April at 2pm, meeting point tbc.
- Thursday 16 April from 7.00pm to 8.00pm Bramley Fuel Leak Public Update Meeting - St Catherine's Auditorium, Bramley.
- Thursday 16th to Saturday 18th April – Agatha Christie play, The Hollow at Bramley Village Hall – see below for full details
- Saturday 16th May – Bramley Village Fete – 12.00 – 16.00 – Gosden Common.

WHAT'S HAPPENED?

Bramley Parish Council News:

- **Library Green upgrade** - new trees have been planted. The area will be subject to further landscaping in the coming weeks. Thank you to BVS for all their work to date.
- **SGN** has amended its [35 week programme of pipe replacement work on the A281](#) between Bramley and Shalford so work will now start on the 20th April from Clockhouse Lane and head northwards. SGN will return to replace the gas main close to the roundabout in the summer break in order to minimise disruption to schools.
- **Bramley Fuel Leak Update meeting - 16th April 7.00pm St Catherines School.** Chaired by Sir Jeremy Hunt MP. Update from EPS environmental consultants, Openreach and Thames Water.
- **Gosden Sports Pavillion** - BPC confirmed funding from CIL for upgrade works to enable compliance as part of a wider long term regeneration and improvement project is under consultation.

- **Unstead Lane unlawful development** - the appeal for this site has been dismissed by the Planning Inspectorate. The applicant is required to reinstate the site by 31st December 2026.
- **Licence application Building A, Combe Farm Buildings, Aildens Lane** – application by Pickle & Winch Ltd for a new premises licence - 31141 A licence has been granted
- **Missing Bus Stop Shelter opposite ASDA** - still missing! It is ready for installation - BPC and local Councillors are chasing.
- **Potholes** - have all been reported and chased. Please help us if you see a pothole by reporting it using Surrey's online reporting tool [here](#)
- **New Noticeboards** - we hope you like the new notice boards which are being installed across the village.
- **Local Government Reorganisation** - On 28th October Government confirmed Surrey will be reorganised into two unitary authorities, West and East. Bramley will fall into the West District. Elections will be held 7th May 2026. For more information click [here](#).
- **Upcoming 20mph public consultation** Surrey County Council have held initial meetings about increasing road safety in the area via 20mph zones. Residents will see speed strips in various locations as options are being assessed. We expect a proposal to come forward for consultation in the coming months.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Bramley Fuel Leak Public Update Meeting - Thursday 16 April from 7.00pm to 8.00pm - St Catherine's Auditorium, Bramley.

The meeting will provide residents with an opportunity to receive updates directly from:

- Asda and its environmental consultants
- Openreach
- Thames Water

News from Bramley Business Network

This is a plea for you to SUPPORT Bramley Businesses and Services during the upcoming lengthy roadworks. Please shop on our High Street and use our pubs, cafe, restaurant, salons and services whenever you can. It means a lot. Follow Discover Bramley on Instagram and visit our website www.discoverbramley.co.uk for lots of helpful information.

Bramley Village Fete

This year Bramley village fete will be on Saturday, 16th May from 12:00-16:00 at Gosden Common, Bramley GU5, and we'd love to spread the word to as many people as possible.

The fete is a great fun afternoon for all ages, with games and activities for children, live music and dancing, loads of food & drink stalls, a prize draw with great prizes including £300 cash and a 40" TV, the famous Bramley tug-of-war, and a wide variety of local stalls. It's a great way to spend an afternoon while raising funds for local charities.

What's in Store?

Live music - from local schools and bands; dancing encouraged!!

Delicious food & drink - all tastes catered for from bbq and Thai to waffles and ice cream, plus great coffee and a beer tent to keep you refreshed!

Amazing stalls - browse and shop loads of crafts, gifts, and local produce. Remember to bring your own shopping bags!!

Grand draw & raffle - amazing prizes to be won!

Famous Tug of War - Cheer on the teams or take part in this legendary village tradition!

Rides, games & activities - Fun for all ages, with classic fairground games, races, kids' entertainment, and much more!

Many stalls accept cash and card, but some smaller vendors, charity donations, and fun activities may be cash

only, so bring some notes and coins as well!

Free entry; look out for more details on Instagram and Facebook [@bramleyvillagefete](#)

Neighbourhood Points of Contact – Join our village team

We're looking for friendly, community-minded residents to become Neighbourhood Points of Contact — a new volunteer role designed to help keep Bramley connected, informed, and looking out for one another.

These are not enforcement roles. They're simply local people who care about their street and want to help make our village an even better place to live.

We currently have volunteers for the following roads:

Brambles Park

Eastwood Road

Fisher Rowe Close

High Street

Linersh Wood

Mill Lane

Riverside Drive

Windrush Close

If you would like to volunteer for your road please email clerk@bramleyparishcouncil.gov.uk

If you are vulnerable, please register with your utility suppliers

- For gas & electricity register [here](#)
- For Thames Water register [here](#)

News from Bramley Village Society

Brighten up Bramley

We are going to meet on Saturday 11th, 18th and 25th April at 2pm, meeting point tbc so please email (lizsutherland73@gmail.com) or look at the BVS [website](#) for updates.

Bring work gloves and a spade and join us to keep the village looking good!

Agatha Christie play, The Hollow at Bramley Village Hall – 16th -18th April

Step into a classic Agatha Christie whodunnit in an intimate, in-the-round staging at Bramley Village Hall that surrounds you with the action.

The team behind major Guildford productions, Something Fantastic creates ambitious and joyful community theatre and donates 20% of proceeds to local MS charity The Samson Centre. Tickets £15 click [here](#).

Open Garden - Pentire, Snowdenham Lane, Bramley GU5 0AT

Friday 8th May to Sunday 10th May, from 10am to 5pm

Mary Hainline is again opening her idyllic Walled Victorian Garden and is looking forward to welcoming you. Admission is free.

Art and gifts available to buy, plus tea, cakes and raffle with all donations going to the West Surrey Branch of the Motor Neurone Disease Association.

For further information contact:

Mary Hainline - call: 01483 898 626 / email: maryhainline@gmail.com

Website: www.maryhainline.com

News from Bramley Library

We are very pleased to announce that the Defibrillator has been relocated to a cabinet on the exterior wall by the library entrance. This means that it is now available 24/7 thanks to a kind donation from the Fete Committee.

As the fete is fast approaching, the library volunteers are now ready to collect and sort your good quality saleable books for the bookstall. Please only donate:

- Books in good condition
- Recent paperback fiction
- Children's books (fiction and non-fiction)
- Young Adult books
- Non-fiction (biography, memoir, history, gardening, cookery, child care, photography, wellbeing, travel, etc)

As storage space is limited we are only accepting books during April.

The Easter Egg Hunt continues during the holidays. Everyone wins a prize!

For our regular activities, opening hours and to hire our meeting room please visit our [website](#)

Annual Plant and Cake Sale on Saturday 9th May

Saturday 9th May – Open Garden at Summerpool House (on mini roundabout), Bramley.

10am to 12 noon - Teas, Coffee and Raffle in aid of Holy Trinity Bramley and St Andrew's Grafham

Queries to Ann Campbell 01483 893234

News from Bramley Music

Come to Holy Trinity Church on Sunday 10th May at 7pm for 'Moonlight Serenade' - a piano recital by Ashley Fripp, who has performed in many prestigious concert halls worldwide. He will bring to Bramley a programme to include Beethoven's famous 'Moonlight Sonata', and music by Debussy, Rachmaninoff and Liszt. Supporting local charity Hallow Project, tickets are £15 (£5 under 18s and students), in person (cash only) from Robertsons in Bramley High Street, or online from Stuart White (bramleymusic2012@gmail.com / 01483 892645). There is a free drink in the interval and programmes are free - come and support your local concert series and a worthwhile charity at the same time!

For more details click [here](#)

News from Bramley Infant School

It was a lovely end to the Spring term at Bramley Infants, we came together as a school community at Holy Trinity Church for our Easter Service. The children read, sang and shared poems with their families. We are proud of how well they did

This half term, we are exploring the value of 'truthfulness' as we start the final term of the school year.

If you want to find out more about our school please do look at our [website](#)

News from St Catherine's School

Senior School – Open Event -Thursday 19th March 2026 - 9.00 – 12 noon

The school recently held a weaving event with the local community, students and parents. For all the details see [here](#)

Please visit their [website](#) for more information

St Catherine's School PTA May Fair – Saturday 9th May

The St Catherine's Prep School PTA are hosting a May Fair at the St Catherine's Prep School, on Station Road in Bramley, on Saturday 9th May from 10:30-1:30. Entry is £5 per person and pre-school children are free. Entry includes mini golf, face painting, garden games, craft activities, soft drinks, live music, and nail painting. There will also be fun fair rides, candy floss, food and coffee cans, cakes & bakes, Pimm's tent, plants and seedlings stall, book fair, raffles and much more!

Bramley Golf Club are offering 90 minute Taster Sessions on the dates below:

Saturday 11th April 2pm - 3.30pm (Women)

Tuesday 14th April 6pm - 7.30pm (Women)

Thursday 16th April - 10am - 11.30am (Women)

Tuesday 12th May - 6pm - 7.30pm (Mixed)

Thursday 14th May - 10am - 11.30am (Women)

Saturday 16th May - 2pm - 3.30pm (Women)

A combination of range and short game area with our Head Pro Nick English.

All equipment provided just wear comfy clothes and trainers. £20 per session.

Book now sarah@bramleygolfclub.co.uk or call Sarah on 01483 892696 – option 2

Soroptimist International Surrey Hills

We're a friendly local group of women who belong to a worldwide organisation supporting women and girls locally, nationally and globally. You're welcome to join our meeting and learn more about our female-focused projects on Monday 20 April at the Baptist Church Hall, Queen Street, Godalming (7.30 pm for 7.45 pm). Or get in touch and learn more about us over a coffee near to you. Further details on any of these meetings, please email sisurreyhills@gmail.com. or take a look: www.sigbi.org/surrey-hills or www.facebook.com/surreyhillsoroptimists/ .

News from Holy Trinity, Bramley

April weekly Sunday Services:

8.00am – Bramley Book of Common Prayer

9.30am – Bramley Parish Eucharist

April Tuesday Services:

8.45am – Morning Prayer

Sunday 12th April – 12.30am Parish Lunch (booking required by Thursday – list at the back of the church)

Visit their [website](#) for church and community information.

News from St Andrew's Grafham

April weekly Sunday Services at 11.00am

26th April – Blessing of the Lambs Morning Prayer

Please see the [website](#) for more details.

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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