



BRAMLEY UPDATE

February 2026

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

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- Thursday 13th February - Full Council meeting and Planning Review committee meeting 6.30pm- Bramley Village Hall meeting room – All welcome
- Tuesday 17th – Thursday 19th February – Free Maths tuition at Bramley Library – see below for full details.
- Bedtime Stories with cocoa and biscuits – Bramley Library - Thursday 19th February 6.00-6.45pm
- Wednesday 25th March - Bramley Showcase, 8pm at Bramley Village Hall -- see below for full details.

WHAT'S HAPPENED?

Bramley Parish Council News:

- **Library Green upgrade** - on 10th February the overgrown fir trees will be felled ready for new trees to be planted as part of a wider project to landscape the area. More detail below.
- **New signs** - BPC and BVS hope you enjoy the new signs installed in the village, and notice boards which are undergoing rolling restoration / replacement.
- The **Park Drive application (WA/2025/00581)** for 26 homes previously refused in 2025 has now been appealed by the applicant - to add further comment and review the appeal documentation click [here](#). BPC has submitted further comment following review of appeal docs and retains its objection.
- **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](#).
- **Licence application Building A, Combe Farm Buildings, Alldens Lane – application by Pickle & Winch Ltd for a new premises licence - 31141** (formerly known as the Hilltop kitchen). Bramley PC has

objected to this application primarily on public safety grounds. Deadline for comments Expected to proceed as a Hearing in early March.

- **Missing Bus Stop Shelter opposite ASDA** - finally an installation date of 3rd March (weather and permits permitting) - a year after we lost it!
- **Eastwood Road playground** - Phase 2 including a refurbishment of the football area on track for installation for spring.
- **Chestnut Way Playground** - WBC re-turfed the area in early December and installed Heras fencing around the goal area to prevent use while the new turf becomes established. WBC has requested the fencing remains a couple more weeks.
- **Mill Lane Pond** - a new purchaser has installed a 3ft fence on the water line for safety reasons. BPC is working with the new owner to re-site the bin and bench to maintain use and enjoyment of the lake view.
- **Bramley Sports Pavilion** - Bramley Sports subcommittee are coming forward with options analysis and a recommendation to improve long term sports offer in the parish.
- **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 May 2026. For more information click [here for Surrey CC's updates](#) or here for [Waverley BC's latest update](#).
- **Fuel Leak** - following reports of odours in December 2025, fuel on the ground and continuing connectivity issues Chair Austin has requested an update from WBC and other stakeholders. Latest official updates [here](#).
- **Upcoming 20mph public consultation** Surrey County Council have held initial meetings about increasing road safety in the area via 20mph zones. We are awaiting more detail and a scope of proposed work.

Planning Appeal - Park Drive Application WA/2025/00581

The applicant has appealed previously refused application. To review the submitted appeal grounds and supporting documentation click [here](#). Bramley Parish Council is currently reviewing the appeal documentation and will share comments for submission in due course. Any comments made on the existing application will stand, but we would encourage you to review the additional information provided and submit additional comment to the Planning Inspectorate. The appeal reference is APP/R3650/W/25/3376467.

Re-landscaping the Area in Front of Bramley Library

We are pleased to announce the next phase of works to enhance the green space in front of Bramley Library. Following the installation of uplighting and supporting connections last year, the upcoming phase will include:

- Retaining the newly refurbished Jubilee sign
- Installing new benches
- Repairing the flagpoles
- Planting indigenous trees that are more in keeping with the character of a traditional English village

As part of these improvements, the two existing fir trees will be removed. These trees have grown too large for the site, and the necessary permission for their removal has been obtained. They will be replaced with more appropriate planting as part of the wider landscaping scheme.

We appreciate residents' patience while these works are carried out over the coming weeks and thank you for your understanding as we improve this important community space.

To read the minutes of our January meeting please visit our [website](#)

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

News from Wey and Arun Canal Trust

Wey and Arun Canal Trust are felling a number of very tall dead poplars and ash trees down by Singh Concrete Ltd. We know no one, including ourselves, like felling trees but once they are dead, they become very dangerous and just fall over as happened two weeks ago. We will be clearing them on Wednesdays.

Also, behind Birtley Courtyard we will be clearing the temporary footpath across the canal now everyone can walk over the bridge. We apologise if this inconveniences anyone.

News from Bramley Village Society

Updated Village Maps

New sign boards with revised and updated village maps have now been installed at the old Bramley and Womersley station, the Library forecourt, and on the Downs Link behind Windrush Close.

This was managed jointly by Bramley Village Society and Bramley Business Network in consultation with the Parish Council.

Funded from the ASDA village compensation scheme together with a grant to the BVS from the Fete Committee.

Maps redrawn & artwork by Silverback Studios. Signs and installation by Guildford Signs.

Do have a look!

Brighten up Bramley

No volunteer sessions during February. We will restart in March with tidying up in the Eastwood Road play area.

Bramley Showcase - Wednesday 25th March - 8pm at Bramley Village Hall

The annual event for local clubs, societies and organisations to engage with both new and existing residents to explain what they do and recruit new members.

Come and enjoy a complimentary glass of wine, Bramley cider, or soft drink and meet your fellow locals on a convivial evening.

If you run a club or society in or near Bramley and would like to take a stall at Showcase, please contact us via bramleyvillagesociety@gmail.com.

SCC Consultation: application to divert public bridleway and footpath no. 270, Bramley

Surrey County Council has received an application from the Wey and Arun Canal Trust to divert part of public bridleway and footpath no. 270 (Bramley) as shown on the attached plans [here](#) & [here](#).

News from Bramley Library

Half Term at Bramley Library

FREE Maths Tuition

Help with GCSE Maths, A-level Maths and A-level Further Maths is available in Bramley Library with one of our volunteers (by appointment only during opening hours) on

Tuesday 17th February

Wednesday 18th February

Thursday 19th February

To book a one-hour slot, sign up at the library desk.

Bramley Knit Wits - Tuesday 17th February 1-3pm - All welcome

Bedtime Stories with cocoa and biscuits - Thursday 19th February 6.00-6.45pm

Suitable for 4-8 years olds (no under 4's please) accompanied by an adult

FREE - Sign up at the library

Rhymetime - Friday 20th February 11-11.30 - For babies and toddlers

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

News from The Four Villages Wednesday Club

The Four Villages Wednesday Club are looking for a new assistant manager, if you are interested, please see [here](#)

News from Bramley Infant School

We are now almost half way through the school year, it is wonderful to see how much the children have learnt and grown since September. We have still been learning about our value of Perseverance. Next half term sees us learning more about value of Koinonia, how the children are a part of the community of their school but also the wider community of Bramley and the wider world. For more info on what we get up to here at Bramley please take a look at our weekly newsletters on our [website](#)

News from St Catherine's School

Informal Concert - Tuesday 27th January 2026 at 7.00pm - Lower Atrium – no need to pre- book tickets.

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

News from Bramley Music

Sunday 22nd February at 4pm come to Holy Trinity Church, Bramley to hear Elif Cansever (violin) and Firoze Madon (piano) from the Royal College of Music. Our annual Rising Stars concert is called 'Anticipating Spring' and features Beethoven's cheerful and uplifting Spring Sonata, as well as music by Tartini, Debussy and Kreisler.

Tickets are £15 (students and under 18s £5) available online from stuartwhite2023@gmail.com / 01483 892645 or in person (cash only) from Robertsons in Bramley High Street There is a free glass of wine, a free programme, free parking, and you will be supporting charity – how can you resist?!

News from Holy Trinity, Bramley

February weekly Sunday Services:

8.00am – Bramley Book of Common Prayer

9.30am – Bramley Parish Eucharist

February Tuesday Services:

8.45am – Morning Prayer

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

News from St Andrew's Grafham

February weekly Sunday Services at 11.00am

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

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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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