



BRAMLEY UPDATE

December 2025

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

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- Tuesday 9th December Afternoon – Openreach Customer Drop In session – Bramley Library Car Park
- Tuesday 9th & 16th December – Christmas Crafts at Bramley Library – 3.15 – 4.30pm
- Thursday 11th December – Full Council meeting and Planning Review committee meeting 7.00pm- Bramley Village Hall meeting room – All welcome
- Brighten Up Bramley sessions - Sunday 14th & 21st December – 11.00am – Bramley Library Car Park.
- Saturday 20th December – Bramleyhem Outdoor Nativity – 4.45pm at Summerpool house.

WHAT'S HAPPENED?

Bramley Parish Council News:

Bramley Parish Council would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We would like to thank everybody who was involved in the Christmas Lights switch on event, which was a huge success and the village is looking beautiful!

Well done everyone, we appreciate all your efforts.

- **Missing Bus Stop Shelter opposite ASDA** - in February this was hit by a vehicle. Despite repeated chases and pressure, the install date received from Waverley is now February 2026. WBC have cited procurement issues as the reason for the lengthy delay.
- **Fuel Leak** - following reports of odours, fuel on the ground and continuing connectivity issues Chair Austin has requested an update meeting with all parties. Latest updates [here](#).
- **Upcoming 20mph public consultation** Surrey County Council have held initial meetings about increase road safety in the area via 20mph zones. Cllr Deanus and Chair Austin initially suggested Snowdenham

Lane, Central High Street and Station Road (including offshoot roads), plus extension of the 30mph zone heading north on the A281 towards Gosden Common for public consultation. More details to follow in early 2026.

- **Eastwood Road playground** - we are delighted to see the children enjoying the space. Phase 2 including a refurbishment of the football area is in the planning and quote collection phase. Consensus feedback is to include goalposts but also to ensure that the space is prioritised for younger children.
- **Chestnut Way Playground** - WBC has now confirmed refurbishment of the football area is taking longer than planned and WBC has passed on apologies for the delay. It is likely new grass will be re-laid, weather permitting. The playground area has seen some replacement of damaged parts, but no refurbishment is presently planned.
- **Bramley Bowls Club** - the parish council acquired the site of the bowling club in July of this year on condition it was retained as a green space for the recreation and enjoyment of residents. The plan is to maintain the bowling green for croquet, bowls and other lawn games, and to install picnic tables at one end, plant shrubs along the sides and also install some adult exercise equipment where the clubhouse (which is unsafe and needs to be demolished) now stands. At the last council meeting it was agreed that two councillors should develop a proposal to put to residents. This work is ongoing.
- **Mill Lane Pond** - a new purchaser is resolving insurance concerns, so for public safety a 3ft fence has been placed on the water line. BPC is working constructively with the new owner, including re-siting of the bin and bench to maintain use and enjoyment of the lake view.
- **Gosden Common** - BPC has recently undertaken work to improve security, including new locks and strengthening the bunds which will be sown with wildflowers in time for Spring. The Pavilion car park has also been improved.
- **Parish Budget** - BPC is currently working on the 2026 budget, If you have any views on work please attend our next Council meeting or email us.
- **Local Government Reorganisation** - On 28th October Government confirmed Surrey will be reorganised into two unitary authorities, West and East. Elections will be held May 2026. For more information click [here for Surrey CC's updates](#) or here for [Waverley BC's latest update](#).

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

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Parish Councillor Vacancy

If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor please email the Parish Clerk clerk@bramleyparishcouncil.gov.uk.

Applications need to be received by 5th January 2026.

For more details about the role please see [here](#).

Openreach in Bramley - Tuesday 9th December

Openreach will be holding a community drop-in session on 9th December in Bramley car park from 11.30am onwards. Openreach will be happy to answer any queries or concerns - either to do with the fuel leak or the fibre build which is being completed over the next 12 months.

News from Bramley Business Network

Please think local when planning your shopping for the Christmas period. Enjoy the High Street Christmas Lights! We would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Check out www.discoverbramley.co.uk for more information.

News from Bramley Village Society

Brighten up Bramley sessions in December on Saturday 6th at 2pm, Sunday 14th at 11am and Sunday 21st at 11am. Meeting in the Library car park. Join us with a spade and gloves to help keep the village looking good.

New village map signs, produced in conjunction with Bramley Business Network and the Parish Council, are now on order with funding from the Fete Committee and the Asda Community Compensation Fund.

News from Bramley Library

Christmas Fun - we have lots of festive activities planned for December with prizes and treats galore so pop into the library and join in the Bauble Hunt, decorate our tree or write a letter to Santa. We will also be offering mince pies and gifts for adults too!

Christmas Crafts – there will be two after school drop-in sessions for busy fingers on **Tuesday 9th and 16th** from **3.15 - 4.30pm**.

Rhymetime continues every Friday morning between 11-11.30 (not just term time!).

The **Hearing Aid Clinic** has been paused until another volunteer is found to take it over.

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

News from Bramley Infant School

The end of term is nearly in sight and school is full of hustle and bustle. We have had a new club, Rocksteady join school, and the children have been rocking out in their newly formed bands in the hall! We look forward to Christmas shows and performances, church services and festive school trips such as when the Y2's go and see the Wintershall travelling crib. For more info on what we get up to here at Bramley please take a look at our weekly newsletters on our website <https://www.bramley.surrey.sch.uk/main-school/weekly-newsletters>

News from St Catherine's School

Prep School – Interactive Open Event Year 3 -6 - Monday 5th January 2026 – 2.00 – 4.00pm.

Organ Recital - Tuesday 13th January 2026 – 4.30pm – no need to pre-book tickets.

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

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

GuildfordYoga opens more classes at Bramley Village Hall

Tuesday mornings mixed ability classes - 9.45-11am

Tuesday mornings yoga therapy classes - 11.15am-12.45pm

Full details can be found on the GuildfordYoga website <http://www.guildfordyoga.co.uk> or by emailing luci@guildfordyoga.co.uk

Bramleyhem Outdoor Nativity – Saturday 20th December – 4.45pm at Summerpool House

Please click [here](#) for all the details

The Nativity at Wintershall - 18-21 December

For more details see [here](#).

News from Holy Trinity, Bramley

December weekly Sunday Services:

8.00am – Bramley Book of Common Prayer

9.30am – Bramley Parish Eucharist

Christmas Services

24th December - 4pm Crib Service – All are welcome, if children would like to dress up we also have costumes.

11.30pm Midnight mass – joint service with St Andrew's Grafham.

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

News from St Andrew's Grafham

December weekly Sunday Services 11.00am

Carol Service - 22nd December – 6pm – Followed by mince pies and mulled wine.

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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