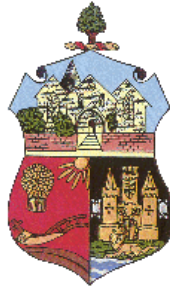


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## BRAMLEY UPDATE

July 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](mailto: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 9<sup>th</sup> July - Bramley Parish Council Meeting - 6.30pm- Bramley Village Hall Meeting Room – All welcome
- Brighten up Bramley volunteer sessions – Sundays 12<sup>th</sup> , 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> July at 10.00am – see below for more details.
- Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July - Villages Wednesday Club AGM – 7.30 - Blackheath Village Hall – All Welcome.

### WHAT'S HAPPENED?

#### Bramley Parish Council News:

- **Exciting Changes at Bramley Sports Pavilion!**  
If you've visited Gosden Common recently, you may have spotted the improvements taking place at Bramley Sports Pavilion. Phase 1 of our redevelopment is now complete, creating a safer, more welcoming and accessible facility for everyone. This is just the beginning, with exciting plans already in place for Phase 2 to transform the pavilion into an even better community hub for Bramley. The pavilion isn't just for our resident clubs – cricket, stoolball and table tennis – it's available for community groups, meetings and activities too. To enquire about hiring the pavilion, please contact the Parish Clerk.  
We're also keen to welcome new faces onto the field! Bramley Cricket Club and Bramley Stoolball Club are particularly looking for more women and girls to come along, have a go and enjoy being part of a friendly and inclusive club. Whether you're a complete beginner or returning to sport, we'd love to hear from you.  
Watch this space – there's much more to come as we continue to develop the pavilion and Gosden Common into a thriving community space for sport, wellbeing and bringing people together.

- **SGN gas pipe replacement work on A281** continues heading north towards Shalford. The latest update from SGN can be found here: [Shalford and Bramley | SGN Your gas. Our network.](#)
- **Bramley Parish Council planning committee** is dealing with a number of planning applications and appeals including:
  - o **Park Drive application for 26 houses** – the appeal has been dismissed, which means that the application is refused.
  - o **Land South East of Birtley Rise Planning in Principle application for 9 mobile homes** – a residents' meeting was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> July, attended by circa 150 local residents who unanimously objected to the application. You can view and comment on the planning application [here](#).
- Our next meeting will be held on 9<sup>th</sup> July at 6.30pm

## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

### News from Bramley Helping Hand

#### Run: BRAMLEY COMMUNITY STORE

We'd like to thank you for all of the generous donations you've made so far, it really does help the families we are supporting in Bramley!

Thank you to Costcutter and St Catherine's Prep School for their support with donations

We are currently running low on many items, and we are once again in need of your donations, which can be dropped off at Cost Cutter.

Priority items needed:

Tinned fruit

Squash

Rice

Tea

Biscuits

Tinned Vegetables

Treats- sweets, biscuits etc

Tinned meat

Toiletries

Cleaning products

Thank you so much!

### News from Bramley Village Society

Brighten up Bramley volunteer sessions will be held on Sunday 5th July meeting at 10am at the Old Railway Station, and on Sundays 12th, 19th and 26th July at the same time, location to be confirmed..

Please contact Liz ([lizsutherland73@gmail.com](mailto:lizsutherland73@gmail.com)) or look at the BVS [website](#) for updates.

### Villages Wednesday Club AGM 30<sup>th</sup> July

The Villages Wednesday Club will be holding its Annual General Meeting in Blackheath Village Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July.

This wonderful Club for our local elderly community provides a sociable day out each week with lunch, refreshments and entertainment, and most of all friendship and company. Do come along to find out about us and what we do, and you may have some fresh ideas to contribute too. All welcome!

### Bramley Library

Fancy passing a couple of hours in the peace and quiet of the library? Need a workspace with printing and photocopying facilities? Want to read a newspaper on a comfy sofa with a coffee?

Bramley Library is looking for Support Volunteers to work alongside our experienced volunteers and allow our lovely library to stay open.

Can you help? Contact Ops Team at [bramleylibrary@gmail.com](mailto:bramleylibrary@gmail.com)

Bramley Library are also looking for a new Rhymetime leader. Rhymetime takes place every Friday from 11.00 - 11.30am for babies and toddlers. If you think you can help do, call in at the library and leave your details.

It's that time of year again - the summer holidays are almost here, and so is the Summer Reading Challenge! The Challenge launches on Saturday 4th July so you can get a head start before school finishes. We're excited to say the Challenge is slightly different this year, in that children can choose their own reading goals. They still get rewards, of course - stickers, bookmarks, temporary tattoos, wristbands, and, of course, a certificate when the whole Challenge has been completed.

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

### **News from Bramley Infant School**

It has been a great final half term at Bramley Infants; despite the hot weather we have been enjoying learning and play. We have had sports day recently which is always a great event. We wish all the community a lovely summer break and we wish our Year 2 children all the success at their new school.

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

### **News from Holy Trinity, Bramley**

July weekly Sunday Services:

8.00am – Bramley Book of Common Prayer

9.30am – Bramley Parish Eucharist

July Tuesday Services:

8.45am – Morning Prayer

### **Trinity Toddlers - Wednesdays (in term times)**

10 to 11.30am in the Parish Room

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

### **News from St Andrew's Grafham**

Sunday Services at 11.00am 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> July

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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