

USEFUL INFORMATION

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The Parish Council meetings are held in the Methodist Chapel school room at 7.30pm on the third Tuesday of each month, with a summer break in either August or September. All are welcome to attend. Agendas and Minutes can be found at bradleyvillage.org and in noticeboards at the village playing field and village hall.
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BRADLEY NEWS

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20mph speed for all village roads consultation

Bradleys Both Parish Council is concerned about the road safety in the village, having heard from members of the community. Residents may be aware that the 20's Plenty for North Yorkshire campaign has been calling for a default 20 mph speed limit across all North Yorkshire towns and villages. This can also lead to reduced congestion, vehicle pollution and noise.

In 2023 North Yorkshire Council agreed not to take a blanket approach to speed limits and rejected calls for 20mph limits as the new default across our towns and villages, opting instead for a tailored approach based on community consultation. NYC stated they will ultimately review speed limits across all roads in the county, prioritising those with the highest speed limits outside schools and then those on remaining roads.

One solution is to convert the existing 30mph zone in the village to a 20mph zone so that the village has a uniform speed limit of 20mph. There are pros and cons to this; on the one hand the Welsh experience suggests that 20mph limit reduces road casualties dramatically but, on the other hand, it may be difficult to enforce.

Before the Parish Council prepares and submits a further application for a village-wide 20 mph zone, we are asking residents to share their initial views on whether they would support this.

Please let the Parish Council know your views (for or against) and any experiences you may have had on village roads by sending these to bradleysbothparishcouncil@gmail.com

Chair's update

As I write this, the days are lengthening and there is more than a promise of spring in the air. That is a reminder that the Bradley Environmental Group (formerly Bradley in Bloom) have arranged a full programme of events for the coming gardening year although, sadly, they have had to abandon their plans for a repeat of the open garden day this year. They hope to repeat it in 2026. The Parish Council has continued to deal with the issues I have mentioned previously, in particular RN Wooller's development of the Skipton Road site and the canalside site on the old coal stray. There has been little progress to report on either site although Northern Power now say that just after Easter they will start work on diverting and undergrounding the overhead power cables near the canalside site, which is a prerequisite for any further work there. Other issues which have concerned the Parish Council relate to the condition of the roads in the village and, in particular, the roadside drains. Many of the drains are choked with debris and fail to provide the intended run-off of surface water. Attempting to persuade North Yorkshire Council's (NYC's) highways department to take action has proved difficult but we persevere. We urge residents to report incidents of blocked roadside drains on the NYC website at [Roads and pavements | North Yorkshire Council](#) (you may have to open a free account with NYC to do so).

Roadside parking is also becoming an increasing issue: there have been incidents in the village where ambulances have been unable to gain access to patients' houses and where parking of high sided vehicles obscure necessary sight lines at junctions. There are also problems in Skipton Road around the school at dropping-off and picking-up times. The Parish Council is reluctant to ask NYC to double yellow line some of these areas because they provide necessary parking for residents which is not available elsewhere. However, it would be helpful if residents could consider these issues, and their neighbours, when parking their vehicles.

The Parish Council is also considering proposals to enlarge the 20 mph limit to cover the entire village (i.e. the current area of the 30 mph limit). It would be helpful for us to have your views on this subject. Please see the front page. So far, no-one has come forward to take on the role of running the annual village show. It would be a pity if this long-standing institution is allowed to perish and time is running late for arranging a show this year. If anyone is prepared to undertake this task, please would they speak up now!



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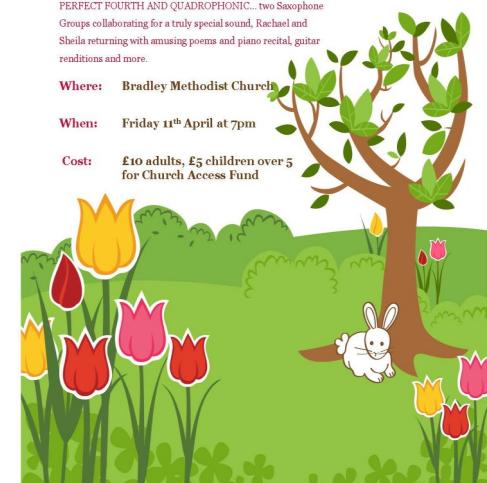
A Spring Serenade

Featuring HELEN singing MUSICALS THROUGH THE AGES,
PERFECT FOURTH AND QUADROPHONIC... two Saxophone
Groups collaborating for a truly special sound. Rachel and
Sheila returning with amusing poems and piano recital, guitar
renditions and more.

Where: Bradley Methodist Church

When: Friday 11th April at 7pm

Cost: £10 adults, £5 children over 5
for Church Access Fund



BUSINESS DIRECTORY

The Parish Council is compiling a free A-Z directory for local residents to be able to contact local tradespeople. If you would like to add your details to the directory please get in touch.

Email: bradleysbothparishcouncil@gmail.com

Businesses must live, or have a strong connection, to Bradley and have their own insurance.

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The Parish Council would like to revive the village football club (which closed its doors earlier in the year) if it is possible to do so. The playing fields were left to the Parish Council by Harold Green to use as a playing field and area of public recreation in perpetuity. The more use that can be made of the playing fields, in accordance with Mr Green's wishes, the better.

In relation to the playing fields, the Parish Council have been considering the future of a small body known as the 'Recreation Ground', a registered charity whose only asset is a balance in its bank account of £11,400. The origins of the charity are obscure and, ideally, the Parish Council would like to make this money available to maintain both the playing fields and the car park adjacent to the village hall which is now used partly for car parking and partly by the Bradley Environmental Group. It formed part of a larger piece of land which was left to the Parish Council in 1921 by the Duke of Devonshire to be used as a playing field. That never happened, possibly because the site slopes away quite steeply to the north, and the greater part of the site was sold in the 1960s. The charity's assets would provide a useful addition to funds for maintaining both pieces of land. The Parish Council would be interested to hear from members of the local community with their views on this proposal.

Finally, the Parish Council is considering a small modification to the Neighbourhood Development Plan so as to designate an area of land to the east of College Road stretching up to and including Sweet Croft as an additional Local Green Space. A public consultation on this proposal will open shortly and, once again, comments on this proposal from the local community will be welcome.

Edward Coulsen, Chair—Bradleys Both Parish Council

Update on the Playground Redevelopment

The redevelopment of the playground is very much still ongoing, the Parish Council is waiting for a further quote for the equipment and installation. We are also hoping that funds can be obtained from various sources but this is all going to take time.

Rest assured it is still very much an ongoing project and we will keep you informed and ask for your help with fundraising further down the line. If you would like to be involved when things move forward, please get in touch by emailing bradleysbothparishcouncil@gmail.com

CONGRATULATIONS TO BRADLEYS BOTH COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Head teacher has shared this on the school's Facebook page. "We are thrilled to be able to share that Bradleys Both has achieved the National Whole School Wellbeing GOLD Award. Staff and children have worked hard alongside five other YCAT primary schools and the award has been given in acknowledgment of our school's participation in the Raising Attainment with Wellbeing Programme (RAwW): Putting wellbeing at the heart of learning, teaching and leadership.

Our school focused on improving children's independence, resilience and thinking skills. This was supported by staff improving their awareness of the well-being of individual children and the development of our sensory garden area last year. Staff received training on attachment and trauma and helped to identify cultural capital opportunities to broaden and extend the children's understanding to celebrate cultural diversity and difference.

While each of the YCAT schools focused on different priorities we also worked collaboratively to improve understanding of trauma and attachment, develop a staff and well-being strategy and shared good practice across the YCAT Trust of schools.

We are really proud that Bradleys Both has achieved this award and it is a testament to everyone's hard work and collaboration in supporting our children and staff's mental health and wellbeing. Very Well done everyone!



North Yorkshire Community Messaging is a free email messaging service from North Yorkshire Police providing news and updates on policing matters that are relevant to you

and your local community. Sign up and receive email alerts about policing activity and initiatives in your local area as well as crime prevention advice and information. Find statistics for crime in your local area at www.police.uk

Contact Information:

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- 2 Ring 101 to report incidents or provide information. Please report incidents at the time they occur if possible.
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BRADLEY METHODIST CHURCH
FUND RAISING EVENTS (for all)
SPRING/SUMMER 2025

1st Tuesday in every month...Soup and Sandwiches

11.30am to 1.30pm...£4...includes dessert, coffee or tea...for Access Funds

1st Saturday in every month...Coffee mornings

10am to 11.30am...£2...home-made produce for sale...for general church funds

Friday 11th April...Musical Concert ...a Spring Serenade

7pm...for Access Funds...Acts include: **Perfect Fourth and Quadrophonic** (as seen at Bradley Chapel and Bradley Show amongst other venues)...i.e. two saxophone groups joining together for a truly special sound. **Helen** (previously Bradley Chapel and Bradley Show) singing **Musicals through the Ages**. **Sheila and Rachael** return to Bradley Chapel with recitals of **amusing poems and a piano rendition**. **Guitar music** and more. NOT TO BE MISSED...AN UPLIFTING EVENING OF ENTERTAINMENT! £10 adults, £5 children over 5. Tickets on the door and at shop.

Saturday 3rd May...VE Day themed Coffee Morning and Afternoon Tea...10am to 11.30am and 2pm to 4.30pm...home made products/cakes...for Church and Access

Saturday 10th May...Christian Aid Coffee morning

10am to 11.30am...£2...home-made produce for sale...for Christian Aid

Tuesdays from 13th May (in Summer months)...Drop-in-Café and Little Library

Church Hall, 1pm to 3pm...hot drinks and biscuits... book swap...donations for Access

Saturday 17th May...Bradley Does Bake Off 12 noon to 1pm-Bring dishes to hall... 1pm to 3pm- villagers view, taste and judge dishes... Refreshments served in Hall... 4pm results announced...for Access Fund.

Saturday 7th June...Teas for Bradley Open Gardens **CANCELLED**

In Church Hall...12 noon to 5pm...sandwiches, cakes and afternoon tea...for Access Fund

Friday 1st August...Yorkshire Day Celebrations

Yorkshire themed Teas in the Hall with Yorkshire themed activities for adults and children...for Access Fund

23rd August ...Malham Show Cream Teas

Served at Malham chapel...11am to 4pm...for Access Fund

Sunday School held every Sunday, meet in the schoolroom from 10.15am

The next Messy Church will be an Easter Workshop Friday 4th April 3.30 onwards



BRADLEYS BOTH WI

Bradley Village Hall, Lidget Road

We are delighted to invite you to our **April, May and June** meetings

These are open events where everyone is welcome

Come and meet us and enjoy one, or all, of these fabulous, fun evenings

Monday 14th April

AGM and WINTED Bring & Buy Sale

Free entry

Following our AGM we are holding a

WINTED Bring & Buy Sale Fundraiser

We will be selling ladies and gents clothing, bric a brac and books

Low prices, High quality – come along and grab a bargain

AGM 7.30 pm, WInted from 8 pm

Monday 19th May

BAKER MIKE – BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

£5 Entry – Refreshments included

We are very excited to welcome back kitchen legend, BAKER MIKE

Enjoy a baking masterclass and sample delicious treats

as Mike regales us with tasty tales of

THE HISTORY OF BISCUITS

Doors open at 7.00 pm, Demo starts at 7.30 pm

Monday 16th June

MORRIS DANCING MAYHEM with the FLAGCRACKERS OF CRAVEN

£5 Entry – Refreshments included

Enjoy an evening of Morris Dancing magic with

The Flagcrackers of Craven

A performance, presentation and participation event

Prepare to be entertained!

Doors open at 7.00 pm, Flagcracking starts at 7.30 pm

BBWI meet every 3rd Monday of the month at the village hall

We love to welcome new friends – come and meet us!

For more information email secretarybradbothwi@gmail.com

Bradley Environmental Group

House sparrows, starlings, house martins and swifts were once a common sight across UK towns and villages, but, following declines in breeding populations, they are now red listed and some have disappeared from many areas. Those of us who are old enough can remember when these species were a common sight in Bradley. Sadly, they are now rarely seen in numbers. Habitat loss and collapse of insect populations has contributed to a massive decline over the last 50 years.

Bradley Environmental Group is dedicated to creating spaces where insects thrive.



We have carried out tree planting and meadow creation in an attempt to increase insect populations, because they are vital pollinators and food to many species.

Bradley gardens and surrounding farm land has the potential to expand biodiverse habitats. The three 'C's' of Cores, Corridors and Carnivores largely encapsulate the conservation rationale behind our endeavours. Our aim is to reverse extinction trends, revive the Parish's ecology and mitigate climate change.

Badgers are another endangered UK species vital to healthy ecosystems. They have been in the British Isles for at least 250,000 years and are essential ecosystem engineers, maintaining soil health and habitats for other wildlife through their excavation activities and by dispersing plant seeds. Our thanks to Craven Badger Group for the following article:

Badgers (*Meles meles*)

Badgers belong to the Mustelidae family with otters, pine martens, stoats and weasels. Adults weigh 10 – 12 kg and are 90 cm long. They have anal scent glands for marking territory and themselves. Badgers have powerful front legs for digging underground. Their skull is strong with a hinged jaw connected by powerful muscles which make for a mighty bite. It is this feature that makes badgers a target for dog fights and persecution.

Badgers live in clans, underground in chambers located at the end of tunnels, excavated by their front legs. The chambers are lined with dry grass, leaves, bracken and moss. Bedding is changed quite regularly, sometimes left outside to air before being reused. A bundle of bedding is scraped together, tucked between chin and chest and then trundled backwards to the sett. Obstacles prove no barrier: they can move over or under say, a fallen log, with barely any bedding lost. The tunnels and sett entrances are kept clean and clear of debris. A sett can have one or multiple entrances, but this is not an indication as to the number of badgers within. Setts are found in many different habitats from woodland to flat grassland, the coast to the moors.

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In the Dales they may be found in limestone pavement. Occasionally a day bed will be found where the badger has curled up to sleep outside in a pile of bedding.

Mating usually takes place spring to autumn. Eggs are fertilised but not implanted into the womb until about December, if conditions are right. The sows will mate with different boars, including with those from bordering clans. So, a sow can have 3 cubs born in February with 3 different fathers. Cubs are born blind, approximately 12cm, pink with silky white hair. Eyes open at 5 weeks, they emerge from the sett at 8-10 weeks and are weaned at 14 weeks.

Badgers are omnivorous, with earthworms being the main food source along with slugs, beetles, fruits, seeds and occasionally, carrion.



Bradley Environmental Group events to summer 2025

Saturday 26 April 2025 - We have a table at Skipton Eco Day at Skipton Town Hall, organised by Rotary from 11.00 to 16.00 hrs. The event aims to promote environmental awareness and inspire the community to take action for a healthier planet. There will be representatives from local bee keepers, wildlife groups and, in collaboration with Beyondly, a clothes swap. Lots of activities and talks for all ages. Please come and see us.

Sunday 27 April 2025 - We are holding our annual fundraising plant sale at Bradley Village Hall with herbaceous, tomato, herb and vegetable plants for sale. In the village hall there will be an art show, colouring table and butterfly activity for children. Outside in the community garden, we will officially open the new hut and there will be a children's bug hotel workshop. Liz Hunt is kindly holding a gardeners' question time and you are invited to send your question to our email address beforehand, or ask Liz on the day. Photos will be helpful, either on your phone or email to us. Refreshments will be available for sale.

Thursday 1 May 2025 - Bradley Gardening Club will welcome Dee Venner to talk about The National Gardens Scheme. Arrive from 19.30 for a 19.45 hrs start at Bradley Village Hall. Raffle and refreshments.

Thursday 5 June 2025 - Bradley Gardening Club will welcome back Sheila Johnson and Roger Burnett to talk about their favourite UK gardens. Arrive from 19.30 for a 19.45 hrs start. Raffle and refreshments.

Thursday 3 July 2025 - Bradley Gardening Club garden visit – details to follow.

For more information please contact info@bradleyinbloom.org or call 07823 347561