

Bradfield Parish Council

Council Meeting

held at the Council Offices, Mill Lee Road, Low Bradfield, S6 6LB
29th October 2025 at 7pm

Present: -	(Chairman)	Councillor T Vickers
	(Oughtibridge)	Councillor T Barrow
	(Stannington)	Councillor J Morton
		Councillor P Baker
		Councillor C Carter
	Councillor P Roberts	
	Councillor S Shepherd	
	(Worrall)	Councillor J Paszek
		Councillor J Westwood-Gray

In attendance: 1 member of the public

25164. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Cole, Powell and Southwood.

25165. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no items of exclusion.

25166. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no items of business.

25167. PARISHIONERS QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS

There were no items of business.

25168. CHAIRS REPORT

- a) The Chair reported the sad passing of Mr Michael Bancroft earlier this month. Mr Bancroft was first elected to Bradfield Parish Council in 1973 and served until his retirement in April 2007. He held the position of Chair in 1975/1976, 1998/1999, and 2003/2004, and was awarded the Freeman's Honour in 2002 in recognition of his dedicated service to the Council and the Parish. Members expressed their condolences to his family.
- b) The Chair informed Councillors that Councillor Clark has formally tendered his resignation from Bradfield Parish Council with immediate effect. The Council expressed thanks for Nigel's service to Bradfield Parish Council, and he will be greatly missed. The Clerk undertook to send a gift of appreciation of his service to the Council.
- c) The Chair suggested that the next Citizens Award Ceremony be dedicated to the volunteers involved in the poppy's installation in October 2025. It was proposed that the volunteers be invited to the Council Chamber to receive certificates in recognition of their contribution, and that the monetary award be used to support the poppy event for the following year.

25169. CLERKS REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE

- a) The Clerk noted receipt of an email from a member of the public enquiring about potential funding options for a Park Run. The Clerk undertook to obtain more information.
- b) The Clerk noted an email from Stannington Carnival updating Councillors on the Stannington Playground Improvement Project. The project cost has increased from £40,000 to around £120,000 due to ground conditions and the appointment of a Project Officer. They sought clarification on the status of the grant previously agreed in principle by Bradfield Parish Council.
- c) The Clerk noted an update from Andrew Male regarding parking issues in Low Bradfield. Councillor Barrow stated that this falls under SCC's remit and should not be funded by Bradfield Parish Council. Councillor Baker suggested contacting the Peak Park Planning Department for assistance with the request to SCC.

- d) The Clerk informed Councillors of an email from a trustee of a local youth football club, conveying the team's apologies for holding organised training sessions in Coronation Park.
- e) The Clerk informed of an email received from Inspector Ross Masters stating he's got a temporary promotion to Inspector at Snig Hill Police Station and acting Police Sergeant Chris Shepherd will be managing the local Neighbourhood Policing Team.

25170. MINUTES OF MEETINGS

- a) Proposed by Cllr. Westwood-Gray, seconded by Cllr. Barrow and
RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 24th September 2025 be confirmed.
- b) Proposed by Cllr. Shepherd, seconded by Cllr. Baker and
RESOLVED: That the minutes of Assets, Community and Environment Committee meeting held on 8th October 2025 be confirmed.
- c) Proposed by Cllr. Shepherd, seconded by Cllr. Baker and
RESOLVED: That the minutes of Finance & Staffing Committee meeting held on 8th October 2025 be confirmed.

25171. FINANCE

- a) The report received from the Finance Officer was noted.
- b) Proposed by Cllr. Shepherd, seconded by Cllr. Westwood-Gray and
RESOLVED: That the September 2025 income and expenditure accounts be approved.
- c) Proposed by Cllr. Shepherd, seconded by Cllr. Baker and
RESOLVED: To authorise payments for signature as per the schedules tabled at the meeting.

25172. CIVILITY AND RESPECT

Councillors considered a report from the Clerk relating to signing a Civility and Respect Pledge and the adoption of a Dignity at Work policy. It was also noted that individual Councillors could sign a Statement of Assurance to go alongside the Pledge.

Proposed by Cllr. Vickers, seconded by Cllr. Barrow and

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council -

- a) Adopt the Dignity at Work policy as presented.
- b) Sign the Civility and Respect Pledge

25173. PLANS FOR CONSIDERATION UNDER THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT

A schedule detailing the applications received was tabled. Six planning applications had been received from Sheffield City Council; none were received from PDNPA.

25174. MEMBERS' REPORTS

- a) Cllr Carter reported a complaint from a local horse owner regarding fallen stone walls around High Bradfield and Jane Lane, believed to be due to stolen stone. He advised the resident to contact South Yorkshire Police and noted an increase in fly-tipping incidents within the Parish.
- b) Cllr Westwood-Gray expressed her warmest thanks to all those involved in the recent Poppies for Parish initiative, including Cllr Morton for her assistance in information gathering. Cllr Westwood-Gray commented that it was wonderful to see the communities come together for such a worthy cause. The Clerk, on behalf of all members and staff, conveyed sincere thanks to Cllr Westwood-Gray for being the driving force behind the Poppies for Parish initiative.
- c) Cllr Shepherd reported that tipping of soil has resumed at Loxley Driving Range and noted a recent near health and safety incident involving a horse and vehicle, caused by the road not being swept of mud from the site. He also noted that the tonnage appears to be exceeding the amount permitted in the original planning application.

.....Chair