Bradfield Parish Council

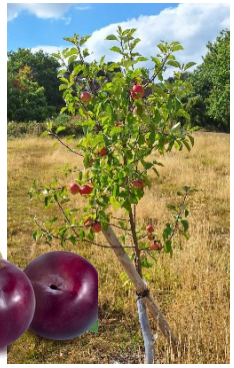
As we move towards the autumn months, it feels like a good time to reflect on what our parish has achieved over the summer and to look back at some of the many fantastic community projects and events that have taken place across Bradfield Parish this year.



Cllr Tom Vickers
Chair, Bradfield Parish Council

Firstly, I'd like to highlight a particularly positive success story from our community orchards.

Both our orchards at Dungworth Park and Low Bradfield have produced a fantastic harvest of apples and plums this year. In fact, there was such a plentiful crop that we were able to put out the fruit for parishioners to enjoy, with fruit being made available at the duck pond in Low Bradfield.





It is wonderful to see our green spaces giving something back to the communities that value and cherish them so much. Despite the exceptionally warm summer, the orchards have flourished, and I'm incredibly proud to see these projects beginning to deliver exactly what we hoped they would. Looking ahead, we intend to continue developing our community growing projects year on year, ensuring that we remain conscious of the importance of our green spaces while also exploring how they can be productive, sustainable and beneficial to our parishioners.

I also had the pleasure of welcoming and formally introducing Will Gowers as the new Priest at Bradfield Church.

I'm sure many of you will have already had the opportunity to meet Will, and I look forward to working with him on a variety of community projects in the future. I have no doubt that he will make a fantastic contribution to the parish and wish him every success in his new role.



NEW PATH AT CORONATION PARK

We're pleased to have installed a new path at Coronation Park, providing improved access to the outdoor exercise equipment.

The new path has been designed to make it easier for parishioners to reach and enjoy the equipment, helping to make the area more accessible and welcoming for everyone.

We hope this is a great addition to Coronation Park and that residents will enjoy using the improved facilities.

Your Parish Council – working to improve our local community.





November 2026

Summer in the Parish

Summer has, as always, brought with it a wonderful programme of community events. Our annual galas and carnivals have once again taken place across the Parish, with Stannington, Oughtibridge and Worrall all hosting hugely successful events. They were incredibly well attended and, more importantly, were great examples of the community spirit that exists right across Bradfield Parish.

The exceptionally warm and dry summer has, unfortunately, also brought some significant challenges, particularly the increased risk of wildfires. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our local gamekeepers, farmers and emergency services for the tremendous work they have done in responding to these incidents and helping to keep our communities and countryside safe. Their dedication, often in incredibly difficult conditions, should not go unnoticed.

As many of you will be aware, our Safer Parking campaign has also continued throughout the summer. This remains an important piece of work for the Parish Council, and we will continue to build on it going forward. Our Parish is a beautiful and much-loved place, and we all have a responsibility to ensure that we use it respectfully and safely. By working together, we can help to protect the character of our villages while making sure our roads and public spaces remain safe for everyone.

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

This month, our local Parish Councillors have also attended Remembrance services across the Parish, including those in Oughtibridge, Worrall, Bradfield and Stannington. It was a personal honour to lay the wreath at the Stannington Cenotaph on behalf of the Parish Council. I am also incredibly proud of our Parish Poppy Project and the many community volunteers who give their time to install the poppies throughout the Parish, alongside Cllr. Jane Westwood-Gray. This year, we have also been able to add the names of fallen heroes from within our Parish to the poppies displayed throughout our communities, providing a particularly meaningful way of remembering and honouring those who gave their lives in service.

These events are a real reminder of what makes our Parish so special. From large scale community celebrations to smaller local initiatives, there are countless examples of residents coming together, volunteering their time and creating opportunities for others. As a Parish Council, we are incredibly proud to support these activities wherever we can.

Festive Season

Finally, looking ahead towards the festive season, I'm pleased to confirm that the Bradfield Parish Council Memory Tree and Letters to Santa will once again be taking place this Christmas. More information will be available in due course, but if you would like any further details, please contact the Bradfield Parish Office.





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