

## **Appendix A**

### **Chairman's report – presented by Cllr Tony Durrant**

2018/19 has been an eventful year for the community.

There are a number of reports to follow which detail the key matters however, by way of an appetiser I will summarise as follows:

- ASB and development has caused disruption on a number of occasions. The main culprits are known to the authorities. The police have responded well to many 101 reports. It is important to keep reporting on 101, difficult and time consuming as it is at times, it is the mechanism for getting action. Of, course 999 is still there for real emergencies.
- We have 3 developments on the go at the moment with Persimmon at Minchens lane being the most problematic when resolving issues. However, we are not letting them off the hook at any time.

The other two are causing issues with site traffic parking and movement of lorries using the unauthorised routes through the parish. We are in almost constant communication with planning enforcement to stop the unauthorised activity. If you see anything untoward then let us know and also contact Enforcement officers at BDBC.

On a more positive side, we have been busy allocating our reserves to community projects to assist them. These are the grants that we have made to support initiatives in the community:

- Bramley Youth Club - £9545 to fund the youth workers for the year
- Bramley School Association - £1000 towards the school fete (and we were acknowledged in the programme)
- Tadley Citizens Advice - £1500 towards running costs
- Bramley Cricket Club - £1867 for hire of the cricket roller
- Bramley School Association - £1000 towards the fireworks event
- Children in Need Rickshaw Challenge - £100
- Bramley WI - £1000 towards the cost of keynote speakers for the year
- Muddy Fingers – £2000 towards setup costs of raised beds and fencing
- Royal British Legion - £100 towards the cost of a new Standard, plus the annual £200 donation for the poppy wreath
- Clift Meadow Trust - £3500 towards the 2019 fete
- Royal British Legion – £750 to the Silent Solider campaign
- St Michaels Hospice - £100 in memory of Phyl Davies
- Beacon event costs – £2881 (includes the cost of the bench)
- Bramley PCC - £200 to the Xmas Lunch initiative

We've also spent the following on security measures:

- £4872 for the CCTV at Clift Meadow
- £180 for the storage cabinet for CCTV at Clift Meadow
- £240 for the maintenance contract for CCTV at Clift Meadow
- £5601 for the new car park barrier at Clift Meadow
- £911 deposit for extra CCTV at Clift Meadow
- £1316 hire and collection of concrete blocks at Bramley Green Road

- Our safe route to school project continues and is currently with HCC for review before it can move to the next stage.
- Air quality monitoring continues near the level crossing and we are in discussion with BDBC on the matter. It is disappointing that they have been less than supportive and are spending taxpayer money on checking our data, the source of which is amongst the best monitoring systems available.
- We have seen the welcome arrival of 3 new Parish Councillors to our happy band and they have quickly taken on key responsibilities and are making a positive difference – Cllr Oborn (Village Hall representative), Cllr Munday (Planning and Development), and Cllr James (Allotments and Burial Ground).

Of course, the old stalwarts are still here and we continue to do our best for this community. We cannot always please everyone but we do our best with limited powers and resources we have to support the community.

- We attend Borough Council meetings (planning, funding, cabinet, and other as necessary) giving freely of our evenings to make sure Bramley is represented.
- The level crossing brings its own problems and we have posted the results of a very recent meeting with Network Rail on our website.
- The Neighbourhood Plan has assisted us in a few matters but regrettably some Councillors and officers at the Borough are not giving it the consideration required in their deliberations. We have made representation to the Borough and are supported by our ward Councillors. The next step is to take our concerns to Government and communicate with the appropriate ministers and their departments.
- On the subject of our ward Councillors, we congratulate Nick Robinson on his re-election and he and Venetia Rowland continue to give us tremendous support.
- The Parish boundary changes were shelved by BDBC for this year but next Mays' elections will see them implemented. Updates on this will be posted on our website and social media.
- A big thank you goes to fellow volunteer councillors and organisers of the various clubs and events for the huge and often unsung contribution they make to this community.

By way of recognition for the huge and unpaid efforts of my fellow Councillors we introduced a small award for the Bramley Parish Councillor of the year and it gives me great pleasure to announce the Cllr Ansell is this year's recipient. It was a close-run thing but he just snuck in as the winner. He is not able to be here as his work demands on his time are considerable. Despite this, he devotes significant time and effort to specific projects and to the community as a whole.

## **Appendix B**

### **Accounts – presented by Maxta Thomas (Clerk and RFO)**

Income for 2018/19 increased somewhat with the 16% increase of the precept. This was the first precept increase in 2012/13, and equated to an average increase for £6.00 per year per household. This increased funding enabled the Parish Council to continue maintaining and protecting the Parish, and to continue assisting our community facilities. As the Chairman noted, the Council has granted nearly £26,000 in the last year to a range of community organisations and initiatives. The Council has also continued to work on the security of our open spaces, with a further £13,000 expenditure on such items. For the coming year, the Council's focus will remain on supporting the local community wherever possible. The Safe Route to School project continues, with support from the Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council Local Infrastructure Fund, and two other projects with support from this fund are in the

pipeline – a new purpose built storage facility at Clift Meadow (this project is part funded by the Parish Council), and a refurbishment of the play park at Clift Meadow. The Council finances will be monitored closely, as ever, so that we may use our funds in the most cost-effective way possible to ensure value for money for the community.

The annual return figures will be published on the Parish Council website in the very near future.

## **Appendix C**

### **Borough Council – written by Cllr Venetia Rowland**

“It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the epoch of belief, it was the epoch of incredulity, it was the season of light, it was the season of darkness, it was the spring of hope, it was the winter of despair”

I think that Charles Dickens was a man of our times and this sums up really what the year has been like in the wider context.

The boundary review took place, the new wards drawn up, the all-out elections planned and then all change! This has created a vacuum in my opinion as everyone holds their breath. My fellow ward councillor was re-elected but across the borough there were many changes. I personally think that this is a reflection about how people feel with the uncertainty in the country. However, I have always said that the reason I stood as borough councillor was about my community so let's get on to that.

I have been a regular attendee at the Development and Control Committee by way of calling in planning applications that the Parish Council has felt are not in keeping with the Neighbourhood Plan. I feel very strongly that communities should have a voice in planning and feel that this is not given enough weight in committee. I have registered my opinion, once again, with the Portfolio Holder and the Chair of DC. It is my pleasure to support the Parish Council and will continue to do so.

I voted on retaining the bins on a weekly basis, in the rural communities we don't get much for our council tax but at least we get our bins collected, well most of the time with the new contractors still needing time to “bed in”.

I voted too on a Labour motion with regard to public transport. With BDBC 's Horizon 2050 vision I can't not see how the aims of getting people to give up their cars to cut pollution works with cuts to our bus services? There is a disconnect surely. I arranged a meeting with Cllr Humby of HCC and we are looking at being more creative with the route of the Number 14 bus and looking at S106 funding which could support the hourly timetable. Whilst it will never be perfect we deserve a better service.

Whilst I could go on about lowest council tax, new retail development within Basingstoke, the ice rink, etc. I think these things bubble along in the background. I would like to assure Bramley residents I am here to serve and whilst I don't always get the result we all hope for at least I try.

## **Appendix D**

### **County Council – written by Cllr Rhydian Vaughan**

**Background** - Hampshire's population is 1,370,700 (2017) the third most populous county in England (85% is rural and 15% urban). 123,000 live in the Winchester District. Hampshire CC maintains 5400 miles of roads, 4300 miles pavements, 133,000 streetlights, 481 schools, 45 libraries, 16 care homes for older people, 9 residential homes for children and young people, 24 Household Waste Centres and 5 Country Parks. Every year 94% of all household waste is diverted from landfill (40% recycled) and powers 50,000 homes. Hampshire has an 80% employment rate (UKA 73.9%) and 3.5% unemployment rate (UKA 5%).

**Budget** - The population of over 75 year olds will rise by 30 per cent over the next seven years - an extra 5,500 people a year who may well need social care support, to varying degrees. The 2.99% increase in Hampshire's council tax will generate an additional £18 million. HCC council tax remains the 2nd lowest in England.

HCC's capital programme is a significant investment in Hampshire's infrastructure, delivering schemes totalling £491.6 million between 2019 and 2022 and providing a boost for the local economy:

- £160 million of investment in new and extended school buildings in Hampshire in the period 2019/20 to 2021/22 to ensure there is a school place for every child in Hampshire
- £122 million for structural maintenance and improvement of roads and bridges in Hampshire over the next three years
- £72 million for integrated transport schemes including £9 million specifically focused on walking and cycling improvements
- £94 million for major improvement of school and other County Council buildings over the next three years.

However since 2008, HCC has lost £476 million in Government grants and budget cuts from Central Government. We are required to produce further savings of £80 million for the years 2020/2021.

**School Admissions** - 98.4% of children in Hampshire have been offered a place at their top three preferred primary school.

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**Road Maintenance and Operation Resilience** - Over 5300 miles of road are maintained by HCC. £10m is invested annually on planned maintenance on top of government funding. The first of Hampshire's brand new Dragon Patchers has arrived to help repair the county's roads, damaged by the winter weather. The County Council has bought two Dragon Patchers for exclusive use in Hampshire

Sites of road works and road maintenance are listed on the HCC website where problems can also be reported: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance>

**Connect to Support Website** - (<https://www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/home>) is a useful resource providing information about all aspects of independent living, such as advice about mental and physical health, help and support for carers, and equipment to help people manage at home. The website and app also includes:

- A directory of local services, activities, charities and helplines to supporting individuals with specific needs
- A directory of Care Quality Commission-registered home care agencies that can provide personal and nursing care in people's homes
- A directory of registered care homes and nursing homes in Hampshire.

**Hampshire 2050 – a vision for the future** - This commission of inquiry was set up to guide and contribute to the future prosperity, quality of life and protection and enhancement of the character and environment of Hampshire.

The Commissions themes are;-

- Demography and Societal challenges
- Economy
- Work skills and lifestyles
- Environment and quality of place
- Mobility, connectivity and energy
- Rural
- Cross- cutting themes (youth, digital, deprivation and diversity)

Please see Hantsweb for further details.

**Member Grant Awards 2018/19- Calleva Division**

<i>Amount (£)</i>	<i>Recipient</i>	<i>Detail</i>
1'000	Sherfield on Loddon	Speedwatch equipment
1'000	Stratfield Turgis	Gate barrier

300	Silchester	Beacon brazier
1'000	Bramley	Little Apples playground re-furb
1'000	Neighbourcare	Transport supporting independence
1'000	Sherborne St John	Speedwatch equipment
1'000	Stratfield Turgis	Defibrillator
1'700	Stratfield Saye	Church re-furb contribution

**Transport & Local issues** - The 14 bus service remains a work in progress. I am meeting with the Executive Member for Transport on 14<sup>th</sup> May to seek ways of making it a better (and therefore better utilised) service.

The road junction design at the railway and what to do with the substantial sum of money set aside for a crossing over the railway are also works in progress.

## Appendix E

### **Air Pollution monitoring report – presented by Cllr Iain James**

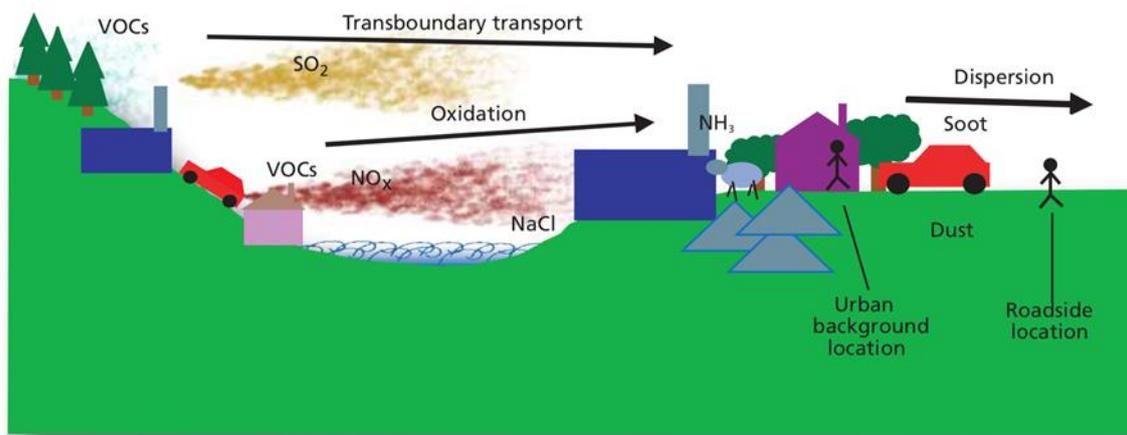
#### **Overview**

- An air pollution sensor (AQ Mesh) has remained in fixed position close to level crossing on C32 – since July 2017 the Parish council have been independently monitoring air pollution at the busiest junction in the village
- The Borough council have commissioned an independent consultant to assess our data
- They have also installed a far lower tech pollutant tube which only measures NO<sub>2</sub>, this is at the same location as the Parish Council sensor

#### **Measuring 2019**

- The 2 most important pollutants we measure are Nitrogen Dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>) & Particle Matter (PM10)
  - The concentration of NO<sub>2</sub> is measured in micrograms in each cubic metre of air (µg m<sup>-3</sup>). A microgram (µg) is one millionth of a gram. A concentration of 1 µg m<sup>-3</sup> means that one cubic metre of air contains one microgram of pollutant. To protect our health, the UK Governments set two air quality objectives for NO<sub>2</sub> in their
- [www.defra.gov.uk/environment/airquality](http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/airquality)
- Air Quality Strategy:
  - **The hourly objective**, which is the concentration of NO<sub>2</sub> in the air, averaged over a period of one hour. This is designed to make sure that we are not exposed to high concentrations of NO<sub>2</sub> for short periods of time. High concentrations can arise in episodes, which are usually associated with particular weather conditions.
  - **The annual objective**, which is the concentration of NO<sub>2</sub> in the air, averaged over a period of a year. This aims to protect us from being exposed to NO<sub>2</sub> over a long time.
- Particulate matter is classified according to its size and this classification is used in concentration measurements. For example, PM10 is – to a good approximation – the concentration of particles that are less than or equal to 10 µm in diameter; similarly PM2.5 describes the concentration of particles that are less than or equal to 2.5 µm in diameter.
- <https://uk-air.defra.gov.uk/assets/documents/reports/ageg/pm-summary.pdf>

Figure 1. Sources of particulate matter.



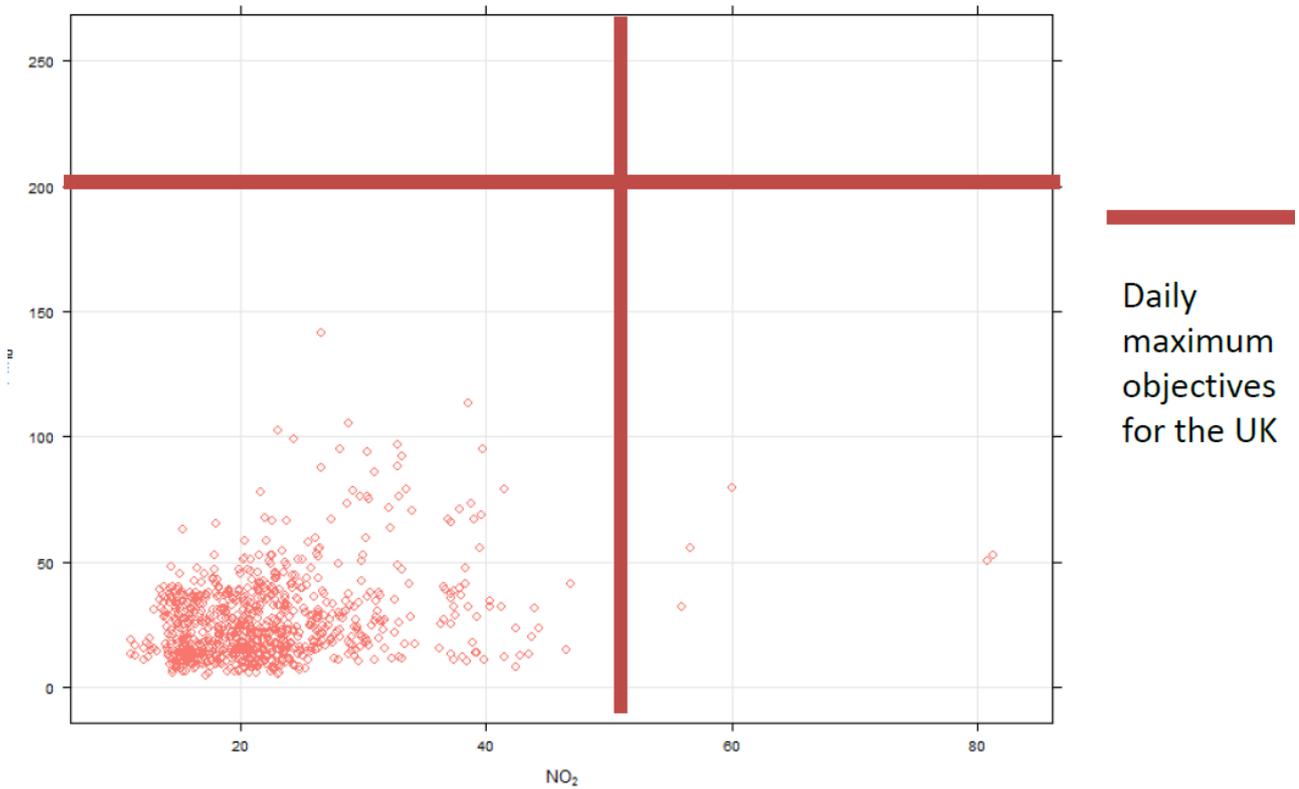
Data – Daily averages 2019

NO<sub>2</sub> at 1820150 for 2019



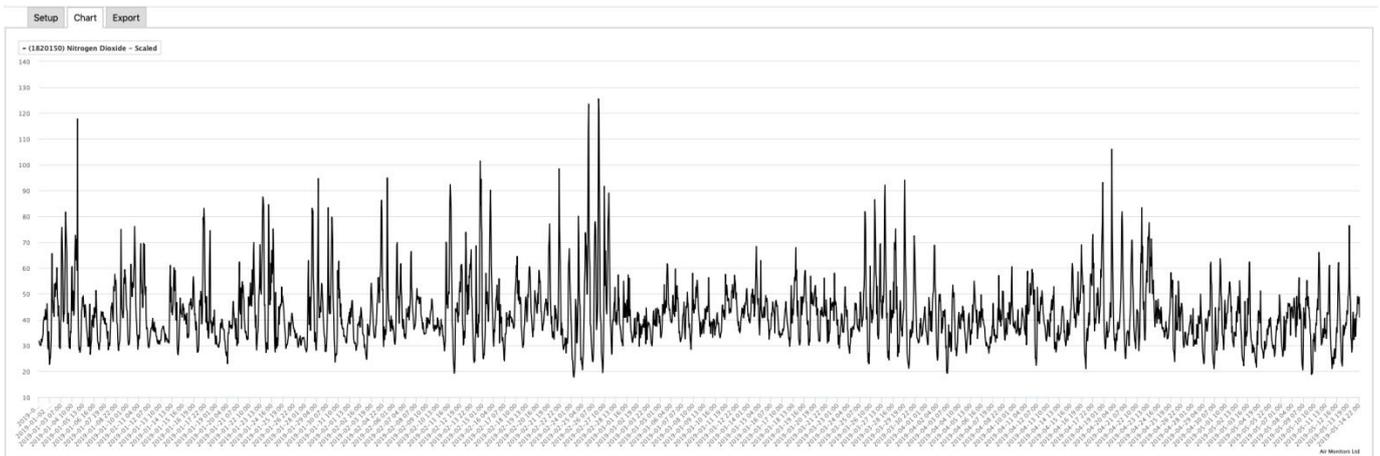
## Data -

Scatter plot of NO<sub>2</sub> vs. PM<sub>10</sub> at 1820150 for the period 01/01/2019 to 14/05/2019

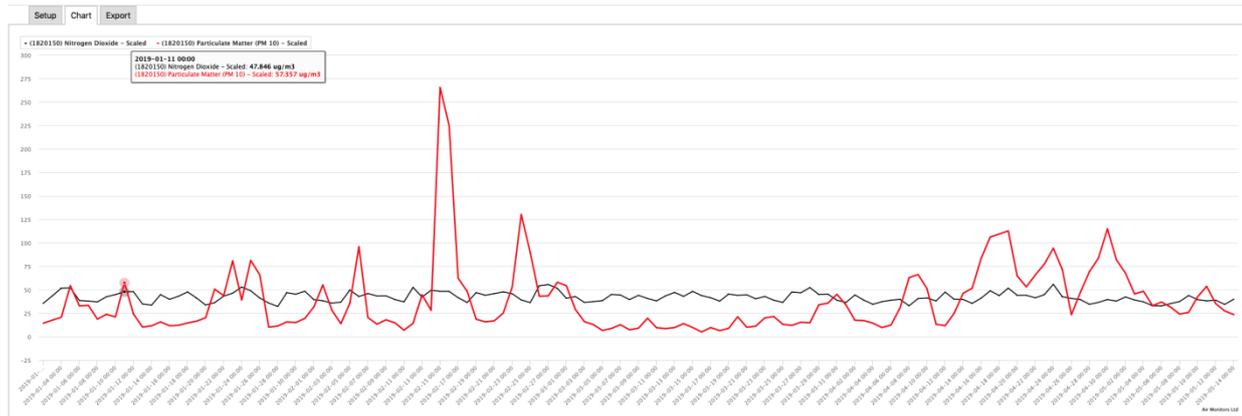


## Data – 2019 Daily averages NO<sub>2</sub>

The yearly average currently in 2019 for Bramley with NO<sub>2</sub> is 42.07 ug/m<sup>3</sup> – therefore Bramley monitoring station is indicating values **exceeding** the UK Air Quality Strategy objectives for NO<sub>2</sub>



## Data – 2019 Daily averages NO<sub>2</sub> & PM10



### **Appendix F**

#### **Allotments & Burial Ground – presented by Cllr Iain James**

**Allotments** – The allotment site remains very popular in our community. All 24 half plots are fully occupied and actively cultivated. The saggy and broken fencing has been replaced and the site given a general tidy up. We now have 12 people on the allotment waiting list. With new allotments on St James Park due when the developers finish, we hope we can get more people accommodated. There are also allotments planned at Razors Farm when that completes and it is expected that these will also be popular with the new residents.

**Burial Ground** - Water table levels at the burial ground continue to be monitored. The levels are still above where they need to be so burials in St James church yard continue to be suspended. Alternative arrangements with Sherfield on Loddon are being explored.

### **Appendix G**

#### **Clift Meadow Trust – presented by Simon Gill**

##### **CLIFT MEADOW CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR 2018**

Clift Meadow continues to thrive as a focal point for the village. The Trustees numbers have grown with volunteers coming forward to join; we have an excellent caretaker in Chris 'Jingles' Smith who has worked tirelessly to ensure that Clift Meadow is seen to be open and available to the villagers, and we are getting closer to establishing a calendar of events for the year that are well supported and have a place in the village. We continue to fulfil our aim of providing recreational space for the village but attracting new users remains a key challenge.

Our finances are in reasonable shape. We have 3 months running costs in the bank which is a good cushion to have built up, but the cost of maintaining both buildings remains consistently high despite best efforts to reduce this. Capital improvements are being made. We have been awarded LIF funds for a new storage facility underwritten by the financial support of the Parish Council. The current facility is far too small and too full. Larger storage will allow us to target new clubs and offer them better facilities than previously. Further improvements have been the replacement of the ancient motorised external shutters at the Pavilion with new hand operated retractable internal window shutters. Service costs on the previous shutters ran to thousands of pounds per annum and I can't remember when all were working at the same time! We are aware that the windows are now exposed to potential vandalism and shall monitor closely throughout the summer with a view to replacing the shutters at Brocas Hall which are notoriously temperamental. On the subject of vandalism the new storage facility will be of a far more robust structure than the present one which was subject to casual vandalism from teenagers but also targeted by travelling criminals, who successfully broke into the storage and the Pavilion last year. To heighten security the Parish Council are installing CCTV on the pitch side of Clift Meadow thus

affording us 360 degree views. In conjunction with the police we were able to identify some of the perpetrators of the vandalism who were referred to a children's court. A number of Trustees and Councillors were present at hearings at the Basingstoke police. We shall have to wait until the summer months to see how much of a deterrent each of these actions has been.

Our major concern is attracting users into the Halls. It is a constant balancing act to maintain competitive pricing while also meeting the costs of maintaining the buildings. Until new users are forthcoming the emphasis is on the Trustees to run and manage other events throughout the year. Our headline event is the Village Fete which has been generously supported by the Parish Council once again. Those of you that came last weekend we hope you enjoyed yourselves. We have traditionally run the Fete with St James Church but their ongoing commitment may not be there for future years. The planning of the Fete is a major undertaking and doubles the annual workload for those Trustees involved. While we all agree that it provides a very important opportunity for the village to congregate for one day of the year, the sheer amount of time taken up in planning the Fete deflects attention away from work we could be doing on Clift Meadow. In time a separate Committee for Clift Meadow and the Fete is the only way that we can keep this important village fixture in the calendar.

Other notable events have been the Easter Egg Hunt, The Christmas Fayre and the Fireworks at which Clift Meadow were able to work with the school to reinvigorate this hugely enjoyable evening. Stand by for our new joint event with the School in the summer.

The core rationale for Clift Meadow has been to provide leisure activities for the village. Originally cricket was seen as the principal activity but for a variety of reasons this has fallen into decline, so much so that there is no village cricket anymore. I wrote in last year's review that we shall try to reinvigorate cricket in the village. We see no quick fix to this but have embarked on a partnership with Old Basing Cricket Club. The first and most important aspect of this partnership was to ensure that the pitch was playable. Equipped with a new roller financed largely by the Parish Council work on the square is now up and running. We await initial reports as to the state of the pitch. This summer we have a number of spaces available at Old Basing's summer cricket academy which will be advertised at the school. If we can progress young cricketers through the summer academy and into Colts teams maybe in the future those Colts will form the nucleus of a Bramley team. Many other clubs continue to thrive on and around Clift Meadow and I want particularly to mention Muddy Fingers - a great initiative which we are willing success upon.

In terms of aims for the next twelve months there are two initiatives we need to tackle. We have a fair amount of work to do encouraging day time users and in enhancing our digital awareness. Both projects that will take time but plans are afoot. We have more Trustees currently than I have known during my eight years of involvement and it's time to start putting that workforce to use. With the continued growth of the village I would like to think that more Trustees and users will be forthcoming and that Clift Meadow remains an essential focal point for the village.

## **Appendix H**

### **Bramley Youth Club**

**Bramley Youth Club – The Overview** - For those who are unaware, Bramley Youth Club is located in the centre of Bramley on Clift Meadow Park in the Brocas Hall every Thursday throughout the year. We were seeing approximately 30-50 young people on a weekly basis but because of the Community Changes in Bramley, unfortunately, numbers have dropped and we are currently seeing 10-20 young people. The youth club is well known within the community, providing a fun filled safe zone trusted by both the young people and their families.

This past year has seen structural changes; with the departure of Roxy Mills, so staffing is now Colette Bibby and Jan Neighbour and a volunteer Derek Newland. Basingstoke Young Carers (who were a project of BVA) has now become an independent charity and are now including Bramley Youth Club within their youth provision. We have also developed our Young Leader Programme with four Young Leaders

attending on a weekly basis as part of the Duke of Edinburgh Award, giving our older members the responsibility and work experience to help with their own personal development. The increase of admissions to £2 provides free squash or hot drinks (season dependant) and biscuits. We will also looking into recruiting local volunteers, progressing the Young Leaders Programme and provide more activities for the wider community. With the support of the Bramley Parish Council, who not only have supported another year of funding for this Youth Club, we are extremely thankful for all donations from our supporters and look forward to another fun filled year with Bramley Youth Club. For more information and too see the club in full swing please head over to our Facebook page @BramleyYouthProject.

**April 2018 - April 2019** - The club has 2 clubs; 4-5:30pm (yrs 4,5,6) and 5:30-7pm (yrs7,8,9) with activities, keeping on trend with all the latest crazes and celebrating the youth club at various different points throughout the year.

**Young People** - These youth clubs accommodate for those who are aged 8-13 (school years 4-9). We very rarely have issues between the young people. We see on average around 20 young people a week, due to the wider community change within Bramley.

**Activities** - All of our activities are planned in advanced with a selection of outdoor games, arts and crafts and party celebrations throughout the year. Many of the weekly activities utilise the equipment we have currently. The youth clubs are run 48 weeks out of the year and during the summer holidays, we attempt to open up a summer programme to siblings, cousins, family members and friends of our young people to help generate more interest and raise additional funds during this time. The youth club has also worked in partnership with Muddy Fingers, creating raised flowerbeds.

**Marketing and Social Media** - Bramley Youth Clubs has its own Facebook page, and have 172 followers. We aim to post weekly on our Facebook page and based on the insights tool provided, our posts reach between 50-80 people each week. We get many interactions, comments and regularly receive enquiries regarding the youth club through the messenger application.

**Finances 2018-2019** - We have had to replace replacement equipment, like footballs, basketballs, rackets, stationary etc. and have used the increase in admissions from £1 to £2 per person and to cover these resources and equipment. All admissions, tuck money and donations contribute to the running of the youth club, hiring of the venue and replacement tuck.

**Future** - The future for Bramley Youth Club has so much potential and the availability to increase to accommodate the young people of Bramley. We will be continuing to use Facebook as a means to communicate with the parents and the young people on a weekly basis. We will also continue to use this platform to advertise more for the wider youth community avents in Bramley, highlighting all the local agencies and support for both parents and young people in and around the Basingstoke and Deane area. In addition, we will be continuing to support the community in Bramley and will aim to participate in annual events. We will be attending the Bramley School Association Summer Fayre 15<sup>th</sup> June to raise awareness of the Youth Club.

The most important thing for Bramley Youth Club is to continue to support these young people, provide fun filled activities weekly, in a place they feel safe and support the local community.

Finally, we would like to say massive 'thank you' for Bramley Parish Council's support.

## **Appendix I**

### **Village Hall Trust – presented by Gareth Jones**

#### **Village Hall usage – 'Business as usual'**

- Usage has remained steady: regular users have occupied the Hall for an average of 317 hours per month compared to 323 hours in the previous FY
- Regular users are split equally between community and commercial hirers (19 each)
- There was slight increase in the number of children's party bookings but a 50% fall in the number of adult party bookings year on year.

- The Hall is in use for an average of 548 hours per month. The limitation on bookings remains configuration of space and management of lettings during 'noisy' events.

### **Financial situation**

- Income for FY18/19 amounted to £44,734 (£39,426 in FY17/18) of which fundraising efforts brought in £3,483 including £800 raised in the annual Mistletoe Fayre.
- Expenditure in FY18/19 was £49,932 (£39,118 in FY17/18). This sum includes the payment of £5,262 towards the cost of architects drawings and other services in support of the grant application for funding of the extension project. Excluding that cost, we would have made a small surplus of £64
- Efforts to bear down on costs for utilities, insurance and gardening have been successful but building maintenance costs have increased as a consequence of a number of issues with an ageing building and its systems.

### **Key developments**

- Successful bid for grant funding from Hampshire CC and from B&DDC for the extension project; completion of tender competition and selection of contractor (to be announced)
- Selected contractor is available to commence works on 15 July; bulk of the work will be undertaken during quieter summer months.
- Potential opportunity to achieve funding for resurfacing of the car park and improvement of external drainage issues (with appreciation of the support from BPC in this matter)
- Successor to Philp Lewis appointed as Chairman of the Trustees; we wish to place on record our appreciation of all of Phil's efforts as a Village Hall Trustee over the past 5 years.

## **Appendix J**

### **Bramley Church and PCC – presented by Rev. John Lenton**

Mr Chairman, members of the Parish Council, thank you for your invitation to report on the past year at the church. As I look back over the year, I'm conscious yet again of God's grace and kindness to all of us here in Bramley. He has blessed us with a beautiful, historic church building, whose fabric is in good order, thanks to the hard work, generous giving and careful maintenance of this and previous generations; He has given us the wonderful facility of Cross House, with its large hall and a variety of rooms to use for multiple different purposes; and He enables us to serve this community with weddings, baptisms and funerals in addition to our regular worship services.

2018 marked the centenary of the end of the First World War, and we fully expected that our Remembrance Service would be particularly well attended. However, we were also conscious that the capacity of the church to hold large numbers would be strained to the uttermost – and that we would be in danger of breaching fire regulations. We succeeded in working out how to relay the service to the hall in Cross House, with a live feed of both sound and vision to the screen in the main hall. As a result, nobody had to be turned away, and our attendance for the occasion totalled 270, a record number for a single service at St James, with more than 70 people in Cross House. We have plans to do the same again this year, with an improved sound system to make it easier to hear what is going on.

I often thank God for guiding us into running three Sunday morning services, each of them providing a different style of worship to suit people's different preferences. The fastest growing service is the one we call Sunday@nine, with upbeat music, children's groups and coffee and pastries offered before, during and after the service. Sunday@nine has particular appeal to young families with children, but all of our services seem to be enjoyed by those who attend them, and on a good Sunday, we are drawing in 90-100 adults and children in the course of a morning. Of course, we would always welcome more people to come along, so please do join us if you can.

As a church we are committed to serving the Bramley community, not just in leading worship, but also

for its welfare. The most obvious and regular evidence of that is of course the Bramley Magazine, edited by Rachel Barclay-Smith and distributed free to every household in Bramley, and growing in circulation as the new housing developments are occupied by new residents. But more than that, a little group of church members committed themselves to preparing and serving lunch in Cross House on Christmas Day for anybody in the Bramley community who might care to come and join them. There was a very positive response to this initiative from the whole community, and we would like to thank the Parish Council for contributing generously to the cost of the meal. We plan to do it again this year, positioning it as a chance for those attending to help others in the Community, which we believe may draw many more people in.

On behalf of the Church, I would like to thank the Parish Council publicly for making two significant grants this year to Cross House, first of all for a new floor polisher for the big main hall, and secondly for the upgrading of the fire safety standards of windows and doors throughout the building. We are very grateful. This year Cross House celebrates 25 years since it opened its doors, and we shall be marking that with an exhibition and services of thanksgiving on 14 July, followed by a church BBQ. Cross House is a facility that is available for use by the entire community, not just church members, and we hope that these investments will make it an even more inviting and attractive venue for people in the area.

In closing, let me remind everyone about the Bramley Music Festival which will be running in the church for 3 nights, from 13-15<sup>th</sup> June, with some great artists performing and wine and canapes after the performance. I encourage everyone here to get their tickets soon.

## **Appendix K**

### **Police and Neighbourhood Watch – written by PCSO Emma Page**

#### **Basingstoke Rural East**

**How to contact your Police Team** - Bramley and Sherfield is part of the Basingstoke Rural East area. Incorporated in these areas (in line with the Police system) are Bramley and Sherfield-on-Loddon. The Neighbourhood Policing Team work from Tadley Police station. The Inspector is Hannah Luchesa who has taken over from Inspector Paul Pressley. The PCSO is Emma Page, she can be contacted at [emma.page@hampshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:emma.page@hampshire.pnn.police.uk) or [Basingstoke.Rural.Police@hampshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Basingstoke.Rural.Police@hampshire.pnn.police.uk). There are two PC's, Lee Stanbrook and Kerstan Studd.

If you would like to know what is happening in your area, you can access Hampshire Alerts which circulate details of crimes and suspicious activity reported in your area.

<https://www.hampshirealert.co.uk>

In addition a newsletter is produced at the end of each month. If you would like to be added to the distribution list then please liaise with PCSO Emma Page.

If you are a victim of crime and the incident is not happening, then report the incident by calling 101. Alternatively you can email details of the crime to <https://www.hampshire.police.uk>.

If you have information about criminality but wish to remain anonymous then contact crime stoppers. Crime stoppers is not the police. The telephone number is 0800 555 111.

**Neighbourhood priorities** - Neighbourhood priorities are reviewed every three months. The priorities are identified by the community who are asked to complete a short on line survey. The monthly newsletter will update what the neighbourhood team has done to address the priorities, alternatively you can get updates on line at <https://www.police.uk>.

***Message from Inspector Luchesa: "Many thanks to all of you who helped us with our recent Community Priorities Survey. We received 634 replies, which is an amazing return. Many of you remain understandably very concerned about burglaries, theft from motor vehicles and criminal damage within***

your local area. I accept that these are areas that we must be fully aware of, but I am also aware that reporting of all three types of these offences appears to be lower than the figures in our last quarterly review.

In making a decision on what type of crime we should focus on in your local area, I have to use the resources I have in the most effective way I can. I also have to look at what our own, wider priorities are and what our current crime figures tell us about crime in Tadley Central, Tadley South, Pamber, Silchester, Bramley and Sherfield. While crimes of violence or serious harm still remain relatively low in Basingstoke, our principal focus, as you may well be aware, centres on preventing the most serious types of **violent offences**, whether they are linked to knives, drugs, domestic violence, the sexual and criminal exploitation of children and the protection of other types of vulnerable people, such as those who are repeatedly being reported as missing.

Given this, I have decided that focus for this quarter (May to July) in Tadley Central, Tadley South, Pamber, Silchester, Bramley and Sherfield will aim to reduce the overall number of **violent offences** resulting in injuries to victims. Please do continue to report all types of crime. Your local beat officers will continue to act to reduce the number of all types of offences in your local area and we will continue to monitor any emerging trends in offences."

**Rogue traders** - This is an issue that is frequently reported to us. If you know somebody who is vulnerable then please keep an eye on who is visiting them. Trades people who COLD CALL which is selling goods and services at your door have to offer a 14 day cooling off period. They should also provide a contract with the company name and address on it.

People should be cautious when buying something at the front door and should STOP and question if they even need the work doing. Many people suddenly decide to have work done that they had never considered having done. Often they are told that the work needs doing because it is dangerous or an emergency. If somebody is told there is something wrong with their roof, or their trees need cutting then don't get it done there and then.

Get quotes from several reputable sources and preferably get quotes from a recommended trade's person. The following links could be helpful:

- <https://www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk/>
- <https://www.hants.gov.uk/business/tradingstandards>

**Selection of Incidents reported from 01/05/18 – 15/05/19 (in total there were 265 incidents there were classified as crimes by the Home Office during this period).**

	Bramley	Sherfield-on-Loddon	TOTAL
Burglary	16	9	25
Theft from Motor Vehicle	10	5	15
Theft of Motor Vehicle	4	2	6
Assaults	48	12	60
Criminal Damage	53	9	62
Public Order	19	3	22
Drug Offences	5	2	7
Suspicious Incidents	61	11	72
ASB (Community & Environmental)	61	14	75
Action Fraud	0	0	0

**Community Speedwatch** - Speedwatch has a team in Bramley. If you would like to become a volunteer, please contact [emma.page@hampshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:emma.page@hampshire.pnn.police.uk) for more information.

**Immobilise** - Register your valuables to help reduce property crime and improve the chances of getting

them back in the event of theft or loss. Further information can be found at: [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com)  
**What number to ring?** - Call 101 to report anything non urgent including suspicious people, vehicles or activity. Go with your gut, if it doesn't feel right then it probably isn't. Please provide as much info as you can. Descriptions, vehicle details including registration numbers.  
Call 999 in an emergency (Is it happening now? Life and/or property at risk? Suspect on scene?)