

Bingley Monthly Market - fine food & local produce

Bingley Town Council are proud to announce that following a successful pilot scheme in 2018 and consultation with residents, there will be a market in Bingley on the first Saturday of every month from April to December between 9.00 a.m. and 1.00 p.m.

The markets will provide a range of high-class stalls selling a variety of produce, including some exciting new food stalls, as well as entertainment.

Make a regular date to come down and enjoy the market.

6th April, 4th May, 1st June, 6th July, 3rd August, 7th September, 5th October, 2nd November, 7th December.



Market stalls in Bingley

Your Bingley: our future – have your say



Bingley Town Centre by Terry Roberts

Work is underway on the initial draft of a new Neighbourhood plan for Bingley.

A Neighbourhood Plan contains policies that reflect a shared vision for a community and enable residents to influence planning decisions in their area. A Plan also enables a parish to receive 25% of any Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) charged on new development.

Bingley Town Council's Neighbourhood Plan Working Group, which comprises councillors and non-councillor residents, have created some initial policies including housing, economic development and conservation of our heritage and green spaces.

The work done so far will be exhibited at the Annual Town Meeting (details below), available on the website and consultations will take place later this year.

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Grants success

Bingley Town Council have awarded £31,781 in grants for community projects since 2016, helping a diverse selection of local community groups to improve the amenities and leisure opportunities on offer. See inside for more details and how your organisation can apply.



Top: Enjoying the new projector at Cottingley Community Centre. Bottom: Walkers Are Welcome received a grant to host the Regional Conference

Annual Town Meeting of Bingley Town Council

Thursday 7th March. 6.30 p.m. at Cottingley Community Centre.

This is your chance to see, hear and comment on what the council have been doing in the past year. Come along and see how grants have been used and hear from community groups on their activities which have been supported by Bingley Town Council.

Dear residents

Welcome to this final newsletter of the current Bingley Town Council.

In this edition, we provide you with a summary of what's been achieved since the council was created from scratch in April 2016. Markets, litter picks, new litter bins and grit bins, information maps, seasonal floral displays and Christmas lights are just some of the projects. I'm really proud as I get out and about in our parish of the contribution and difference the council has made to Bingley in a relatively short space of time and would like to thank those who joined the campaign for its creation back in 2013/14.

As we head towards a new financial year, you can be confident that Town Council staff and councillors work very hard to give value for money and to provide services and items that our community wants. For 2019/20 the precept will once again



be one of the very lowest in Bradford district - details are to the right of this page.

On a personal note, thank you to the many people who have offered much appreciated encouragement and advice since I became Chair in 2016.

Elections to the Town Council will be held in May and if you'd like to serve your community and get involved, please consider standing.

Cllr Ros Dawson,
Chair of Bingley Town Council

Precept for 2019/20

The council set its budget for 2019/20 at the full council meeting on 22nd January. Anticipated expenditure in the year is £234,713, and the precept for the year for a Band D property will be £20.00 (£16.31 in 2018/19).

This means the precept in the Bingley Town Council area is still one of the lowest in Bradford District and represents excellent value with much progress and many projects achieved by the council for our community. More information about precepts in Bradford District can be found here: <https://www.bradford.gov.uk/council-tax/general-council-tax-information/council-tax-bands-and-amounts/>

The Big Lights Switch On and Christmas Fayre



Top: The winning Christmas light.
Bottom: Switching the lights on. Photos by Michael Revill, Bingley Camera Club.

The winning design in the Children's Christmas Light Competition was by Jasmine Stross of Eldwick Primary School. Congratulations Jasmine!

Notice of elections

Thursday 2nd May 2019

All council seats in Bingley wards will be open for election in May 2019. The council was set up in 2016 and all councillors were elected for a term of 3 years in the first instance.

From May 2019 councillors will be elected for a term of 4 years.

Don't forget to register to vote.

To find out about how you can become a councillor, please see www.electoralcommission.org.uk



Office/toilets conversion project

The project to take over the now closed toilet block in Bingley from Bradford Council and transform it into offices for the Town Council and two standard accessible toilets continues to make progress. Two meetings have now been held with project managers Bowman Riley, who are now finalising the designs for the project and preparing a planning application

Solicitors for the Town Council and Bradford Council are continuing to work to agree the terms of the Community Asset Transfer (CAT) of the toilet block. Once the CAT has been agreed and the necessary planning permission has been obtained, the Council will be agreeing a revised business case and putting in an application for borrowing approval.

Green and Clean Forum news

The year started with two Green and Clean Forum events in quick succession. The first, on 13th January, began with a brief outline from Jane Stone about the work of the Plastic Free Bingley campaign group. She drew attention to the Terracycle units in various locations in Bingley. These are units for hard-to-recycle materials not currently recyclable through Bradford Council. Locations are:

- Biscuit and cracker wrappers: Bingley Library
- Beauty products: Boots, Main Street
- Toothpaste tubes, toothbrushes and toothbrush packaging: Co-op, Bingley

The main speaker was Edith Grooby, Bradford Council's Recycling Manager. Edith spoke about the do's and don'ts of recycling in the district and described the challenges faced by Bradford Council in finding a market for some of the types of rubbish we throw away today.

The meeting was pleased to hear that Bradford Council is itself awaiting delivery of Terracycle units

for recycling crisp packets. There will be one at the household waste site and possibly others in schools and the library. Edith also referred to the Recycle Now website - <https://www.recyclenow.com/local-recycling> - where you can enter your postcode to get a list of local recycling facilities.

At the second event, on 2nd February, George Corbett, Project Officer with Bradford Council's Parks Department, presented information on the Incredible Edible scheme that started in Todmorden. A group of Forum members also presented their own initial ideas on an edible planting project in Bingley which were discussed with enthusiasm by those present.

As usual, it was great to hear from local groups, such as those taking action in Prince of Wales Park, Jerr Wood and Myrtle Park and our village societies. The Town Council has again ordered reduced-price summer bedding plants from Bradford Council for our local groups to plant in their own areas.

Don't forget to keep an eye on the Keeping Bingley Beautiful Facebook page, which aims to act as an online forum for green and clean enthusiasts.



Winter floral displays throughout Bingley

Winter planning

Fourteen new grit bins have been installed in locations around Bingley, thanks to Bingley Town Council in collaboration with Bradford Metropolitan District Council. In addition, Lady Lane, Crownest Road and Marley View will now be included on Bradford Council's gritting routes.

The programme will be assessed over the winter and more bins will be considered for next year.

Please look out for elderly neighbours who may struggle to get to their nearest bin and offer to help if you can.



New grit bin in Bingley

Litter picks in 2019

Dates for the Council's community litter picks in the coming year have now been agreed by the Green and Clean sub-committee.

The remaining dates are as follows: (Saturdays unless otherwise stated):

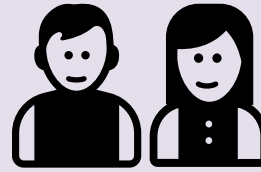
- **Fri 22nd/23rd March**
- **27th April**
- **8th June**
- **10th August**
- **12th October**
- **7th December**

Everybody is welcome.

See Bingley Town Council website and facebook page for more details.

Grants to community groups

Grants totalling over £30,000 have been awarded to local community groups since the Town Council scheme started in 2016. The latest grant was for £500 for a new group to support those with dementia in Eldwick. Here are a selection of some of the others...



Can we help your community group grow & flourish?

Apply for a grant before 31st May 2019

Bingley Camera Club

Bingley Camera Club were awarded £500 towards a laptop which will be used at the Yorkshire Photographic Union Exhibition. This prestigious event will be held at Bingley Arts Centre from May 4th - 19th 2019.



Myrtle Park. Photo Terry Roberts

Action Stations



Bingley Station garden with barge planter

A Five Rise Locks themed garden is under construction at Bingley railway station, thanks to Bingley and Crossflatts Action Stations group.

The group was given a grant of £500 for perennial and biennial plants for the garden and for printing and design of leaflets.

Friends of St Ives

A fantastic team of volunteers turned up in January to help replace trees in Betty's Wood at St Ives Estate. Trees were purchased with a grant of £835.60 from Bingley Town Council.



New trees at Betty's Wood at St Ives

Bingley Little Theatre Community Cinema

Since its inception the Community Cinema at Bingley Arts Centre has proved to be an instant success. Each showing has attracted a full house and extra screenings have been added. The scheme received £300 towards marketing costs in October 2018 from Bingley Town Council.

It is a very welcome addition to the cultural and social life of our town.



Bingley Community Cinema poster



Riverside Riding for the Disabled

Congratulations to the Riding for the Disabled who received a grant of £1500 in July 2018.

This is what they have to say, 'We are so grateful for the grant we received from Bingley Town Council as it enabled us to immerse our riders in the early stages of competition. We were extremely lucky to qualify three riders and two artists for the prestigious Riding for the Disabled National Championships and they all brought rosettes home. We were very proud of them and they were a credit to the group. We now have Sponsored by Bingley Town Council on our RDA competition team hoodies which everyone looks very smart in.'

Top: Riding in Bingley. Bottom: Grace's memory board from her riding experience

Cottingley Village History Society

Cottingley Village History Society received a grant of £451, which was used to buy display screens, A boards and sign holders for the Cottingley Heritage Centre. The centre is open to visitors from 6th April to 28th September on Saturdays from 10.00 a.m till 12.00 noon.



Cottingley Village History Society display boards

Restoration of organ at Cottingley Town Hall

Cottingley Town Hall received a grant of £2000 towards the restoration of this historic instrument in October 2018.

The work will be undertaken just before Easter, However, a couple of actions have been taken to make the organ more widely available to the local community.

There was a free concert on 2nd February 2019 with four local organists playing their own choice of light music. The building will be open from 10 a.m. to 12.00 noon throughout April to September with an open invitation to come and



Cottingley Town Hall organ pipes

listen or chat to one of the organists with an opportunity to try out the instrument. In response to an article in the February edition of the Bingley Monthly mailing one local musician has already visited and enjoyed an afternoon of playing and intends to repeat the experience.

Cottingley Christmas Lights

Cottingley Community Association received a grant of £1782 for new Christmas lights in the village.



Cottingley Christmas Lights. Photo Jeremy Double



Working towards a dog poo free Bingley

Towards a Dog Poo Free Bingley

Towards a Dog Poo Free Bingley continues to do excellent work in the town, encouraging dog owners to keep our pavements clean, with the help of a grant of £150. You can even download posters from their Facebook page or from www.bingleytowncouncil.gov.uk.

Trinity Community Kitchen

Trinity All Saints Primary School received a grant of £2000 to help the development of a Community Kitchen. This will be used by school pupils and community groups to encourage healthy eating and provide cooking experience. We look forward to seeing the kitchen in action.



Developing Trinity Kitchen

The deadline for the next batch of grant applications, for small grants of up to £500 or larger grants of up to £2000, is 31st May 2019.

Smaller organisations may apply for a donation from the Town Council

of up to £100, and applications are considered once a month.

Details of both the grants and donations schemes can be found in the documents section of the Town Council's website, and potential

applicants are asked to discuss their proposal in good time with the Clerk before applying.



Bingley Town Council Diary

All formal meetings are open to the public.

Everyone is welcome to attend.



Date	Time	Event
26 Feb	18:30	Full Council, Crossflatts Community Centre, St Aidan's Square, Crossflatts
28 Feb	18:30	Town Centre and Regeneration Sub-Committee Meeting, Cottingley Community Centre
1 Mar	10:00	Green and Clean Sub-Committee Meeting, Council Office, Cottingley Community Centre
5 Mar	14:00	Emergency Planning Sub-Committee, The Small Office, Cottingley Community Centre
7 Mar	18:30	Annual Town Meeting, Cottingley Community Centre
12 Mar	18:30	Planning Committee Meeting, Cardigan House
13 Mar	18:30	F&GP Committee Meeting, Cottingley Community Centre
26 Mar	18:00	Full Council, St Wilfrid's, Gilstead
1 Apr	17:00	Events, Marketing & Communications Sub-Committee Meeting, Cottingley Community Centre
9 Apr	18:30	Planning Committee Meeting, Cardigan House
10 Apr	18:30	F&GP Committee Meeting, The Board Room, Cottingley Community Centre
30 Apr	18:30	Full Council, venue to be confirmed
2 May	7:00	Local Elections
14 May	18:30	Annual Meeting of the Council, Cardigan House



Bingley from Five Rise Locks by Terry Roberts

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It provides a useful update on all the Council's activities as well as advance notice of upcoming projects and events. You can sign up to it via our website www.bingleytowncouncil.gov.uk.

Apologies to Councillor Andrew Quarrie, (Bingley Central and Myrtle Park) for the misspelling of his name in our last newsletter.