

## New summer markets success



Fresh breads & pastries for sale at Bingley summer market

The new summer markets are a great success with lots of positive feedback.

As well as longstanding favourite traders, including fish and cheese sellers, the markets have brought

new offerings to Bingley including artisan bread and crafts. Free face-painting for children and entertainment all add to the fun and community atmosphere.

The markets are a response to requests from residents to revive the town's market, which had dwindled to one or two stalls. To create the markets, the Town Council has joined forces with Yorkshire Farmers Markets, a not-for-profit enterprise which runs markets across the county.

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Face painting at the market

## Royal thanks

Cllr John Goode enjoyed a right Royal day out as a guest of the Queen at a Buckingham Palace garden party. John, one of Cottingley's three town councillors, was invited to tea at the palace in recognition of his long service to the community. As well as being a key member of Cottingley Community Association, John leads many of the Town Council's horticultural projects, is part of the new summer markets team and is also helping to revitalise Bingley and Crossflatts railway stations through the Action Stations group. Thanks for all you do John and hope you had a grand day out at the palace!



Cllr John Goode at Buckingham Palace

## Welcome to Bingley!

Two much-needed signboards have been placed in the centre of Bingley to help visitors find their way about town and highlight some of our attractions.

Produced by local designer Jess Wright Graphics and J G Fabrications, the boards feature a stylised map of the town centre, directions to the Five Rise Locks and pointers to the outlying parts of the parish, with images of attractions such as Myrtle Park and the Prince of Wales Park. The

boards are positioned by Bingley Railway Station and in Jubilee Gardens and are the first step in the Council's efforts to promote Bingley as a destination for visitors and businesses.



New Bingley visitor signboards

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## Meet your Councillors

**Bingley Town Council will be present at each of the following events:**

### **Bingley Show**

Saturday 21st July

### **Bingley Saturday Markets**

4th August and 6th October

### **Bingley Business Expo**

Wednesday 19th September

### **Bingley Christmas Lights Switch On**

Saturday 24th November

Do stop by and say hello. Let us know your ideas and concerns.

Keep up to date with Bingley Town Council events on our website: [www.bingleytowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.bingleytowncouncil.gov.uk)

## Neighbourhood Plan Working Group

The Neighbourhood Plan Working Group continues to meet regularly to consider all aspects of life for Bingley residents now and to plan for the future of Bingley.

At the meeting of 19th June the group discussed the Project Plan for Bingley, an update on heritage and green spaces issues and housing stock and projected figures from Bradford Council for housing development until 2030.

The group comprises both Councillors and members of the public. Currently members are: Councillors Dawson (Chair) Hardman (Vice Chair) Beckwith, Owen, Quarrie, M Wheatley and residents: Mr J Dekker, Ms P Gibbons, Mr G Lakin, Mr T Meggit, Mr D Pearson, Mr T Urwin, Rev M Weaver and Mr S Williams.

As at all Council meetings, there is the opportunity for members of the public to attend and to speak in the Public Participation section.

The next meeting is on 23rd July at Cottingham Cornerstone Centre.

## Chair's Welcome

Hello and welcome to this second special Annual Report edition of the Bingley Town Council newsletter.

This year, the Town Council has continued to deliver more of the projects you want to see including Christmas lights, floral displays and revitalising the market.

A particular highlight was the Annual Town Meeting in April, an uplifting event when many members of organisations which have received grants from the Town Council came together to share information about their activities:

- The Friends of Bingley Pool reported progress on their proposal to keep open this vital facility by transferring it into community ownership
- Bradford Council explained our town's new emergency plan, created through collaboration with the Town Council
- The Chamber of Trade provided

insight into business in Bingley and its ongoing work with the Town Council to help our town thrive.

At £16.31 (per Band D household per year), Bingley's precept is the second lowest of the 19 parish councils in Bradford District. This report explains how we've spent our community's money over the past 12 months. There's still much to do: we're working on re-providing Bingley with public toilets and creating a Neighbourhood Plan – amongst many other projects.

Above all, the Town Council provides a voice, speaking up on issues that matter to our community.

Next May sees elections for new town councillors so if you're interested in representing your area and making a difference, do start thinking about it now.

Best wishes, Ros

Cllr Ros Dawson,  
Chair of Bingley  
Town Council



## Bingley Bloomers Making Bingley Beautiful

Bingley Bloomers, the green-fingered ladies from Five Rise Frocks W.I., have been hard at work for the last year transforming the Jubilee Gardens, Market square and Swimming Pool area. The much neglected entrance to Bingley Swimming Pool has been enhanced by a beautiful blue and white themed bed. Most of the plants used have been provided by Bingley Town Council, with some additions from W.I. members.

The group meet every Wednesday to clear, weed, plant and water the flower beds and Market square planters.

They have even found a long hidden and forgotten flower bed under an overgrown hedge!



Bedding plants at Bingley Pool

Their work is highly appreciated and we hope they continue to improve our town centre for all to enjoy.



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Cllr Ros Dawson, chair of Bingley Town Council and leader of the markets team of councillors and volunteers, said: "Many residents told us they want a thriving and vibrant market so the council has delivered. The turnout and support so far has been brilliant and we hope will continue for the other markets this year."

The summer markets concept is based on feedback from a survey carried out by Bingley Town Council last year, in which over 600 people



Shopping at Bingley Summer Market took part, as well as research and guidance from NABMA, the National Association of British Market Authorities of which the Town Council is a member. This year's markets are a pilot and will be evaluated in the autumn.

The next Bingley summer markets take place in Bingley market square on 4th August and 6th October.

## Toilet Update

The Council is committed to re-providing public toilets in Bingley town centre, following the closure by Bradford Council of the facilities in Jubilee Gardens from 1st April this year. The proposed project – to convert the site and provide two standard accessible toilets and a permanent office space for the Council – has slowed since February as the Council has had to focus on formally responding to a legal request from a resident that a Changing Places facility (a table, hoist and other facilities for people with complex disabilities) should be included within the development.

Having taken legal advice and carried out consultation with potential users of a Changing Places facility, the Council has committed in principle to providing a Changing Places facility in Bingley and specifically to pursue investigations into installing a facility in Bingley Swimming Pool, not as part of the development of the Jubilee Gardens site. The Friends of Bingley Pool are in favour of the proposed Changing Places facility in the Pool.

Additional information needed to move forward the Changing Places facilities includes an equipment specification and costings for the installation and insurance cover.

In parallel, the Council is seeking an initial costing for project



Notice on the toilets

management of the Jubilee Gardens development. Quotations for the work will be sought and specific companies will be approached, including local companies that have shown interest, as well as opening up the project to a wider base. Advice is to be sought from the Yorkshire Local Councils Association on the tendering process.

If you are interested in tendering for this work, please email [enquiries@bingleytowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@bingleytowncouncil.gov.uk) by 24th August.

## New Councillor

Welcome to our newest Bingley Town Councillor, John Brazendale (Labour), who won the recent election and, along with Cllr Mike Wheatley (Labour), now represents Crownest Ward which covers Charles Street, Mornington Road, Belgrave Road, parts of Park Road, Hall Bank Drive and adjoining roads.

**NEW for 2018** Take time to enjoy **BINGLEY** .....  
**SUMMER MARKETS**

- Fresh and local produce
- Crafts and artisan products
- Face painting for children

1st Saturday of the month  
**2 June, 7 July**  
**4 August, 6 October**  
**9am - 3pm**

**BINGLEY MARKET SQUARE**

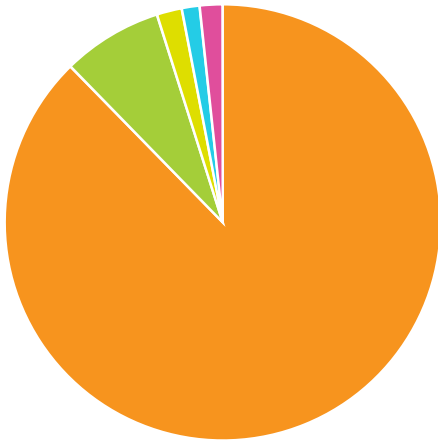
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# How Your Money Was Spent



## RECEIPTS

YEAR OPENING FIGURE £83,235

- Precept **£135,340**
  - Council Tax Support Grant **£11,462**
  - Bradford Council Allotment Support Grant **£2,874**
  - Allotment rent **£2,049**
  - Neighbourhood Plan Grant **£2,608**
- Total £158,553**

**2017 - 2018**

## PAYMENTS

- Salaries and staff costs **£43,932**
- Subscriptions **£2,438**
- Office costs and administration **£25,301**
- Elections **£5,755**
- Seasonal, including Christmas lights **£9,546**
- Neighbourhood Plan **£4,223**
- Allotments **£1,563**
- Emergency (including grit bins) **£4,745**
- Green & Clean (including floral displays) **£12,515**
- Tourism & Regeneration **£2,899**
- Grants **£12,860**

**Total Expenditure £125,777**

With VAT rebate of £7,663

**Carry forward into 2018-2019 £108,348**

Small amounts of rounding have been allowed in these figures

## GRANTS TO COMMUNITY GROUPS

### Friends of Bingley Pool

**£5,880**

Feasibility study

### HALE

**£1,940**

Project for young people to reduce risk of grooming

### Gilstead Village Society

**£500**

Contribution towards defibrillator

### Bingley Belles

**£500**

Start up of women's community cycling

### Cottingley Community Association

**£369**

Christmas lights

### Bingley Juniors AFC

**£720**

Football kits for Bingley children

### Cottingley Village History Society

**£451**

Display equipment

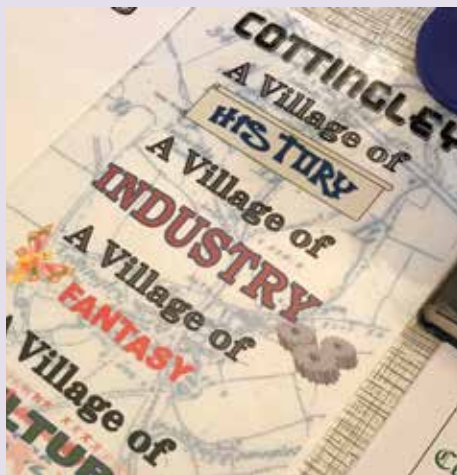
### Action Stations

**£500**

Publicity and plants

**Bingley Amateur Operatic Society £2,000** towards a feasibility study

(£2,000 awarded to Bingley Park Run, awaiting start date)



Clockwise from left: Staff from HALE helping young people in Bingley, Bingley Belles launch flyers, Cottingley Village History Society leaflet

If you have any queries about this information please contact the Town Clerk.

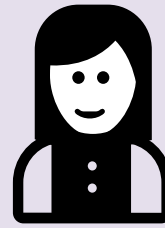
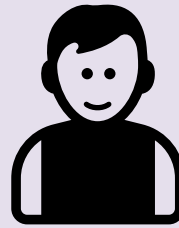
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# Grants to community groups

The Council's Finance and General Purposes Committee has approved three more grants totalling over £3,000 to local community groups.



## Bingley Camera Club

Bingley Camera Club was awarded £500 towards the cost of a replacement laptop, to be used to display photographs on club evenings and during inter-club activities. It will be important for the smooth running of the Yorkshire Photographic Union annual exhibition which the club will be hosting in 2019 and will bring photographers from across the region to Bingley.



Bingley Camera Club members on an outing

## St Ives

A grant of £835.60 was awarded to the Friends of St Ives towards the cost of spring-flowering, native trees and shrubs to be planted along a pathway in Betty's Wood at St Ives. This is to mitigate the effects of the recent felling of over 1,000 trees owing to the presence of a disease called Phytophthora Ramorum.



Betty's Wood where the Council grant will pay for new planting



## Bingley Congs Cricket Club

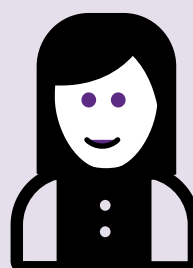
£2,000 is being contributed towards the cost of providing car parking at Bingley Congs Cricket Club in Beckfoot Lane. The Club has recently built a new club house on its site, and proper hardcore car parking facilities will enable the building to be used for meetings and social events in the winter months. The grant is conditional on assurances that no planning permissions are needed and that the car park surface is of a suitable material for a flood zone.

Left: Bingley Congs in action!

The deadline for the next batch of grant applications, for small grants of up to £500 or larger grants of up to £2,000, is 1st October.

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.



**Can we help your community group grow & flourish?**

**Apply for a grant before 1st October.**



## Green & Clean News

The summer floral displays provided by Carlton Nurseries went into position in early June and the various planters and baskets are attracting many positive comments. The Council is delighted to have been able to extend provision beyond central Bingley to include Cottingley, Crossflatts, Eldwick, Gilstead and Poplar House. Enhancements in the town centre include additional tubs in Main Street and Jubilee Gardens and larger-sized baskets on the 'ornate' lamp-posts at the market square.

Thanks to the local gardening groups and village societies who put the bedding plants supplied by the Council to good use in various other public spaces.



Town Council summer floral display 2018

This includes the Action Stations group, which, in addition to planters at both Bingley and Crossflatts railway stations, is busy creating its Five-Rise-themed garden at Bingley complete with a canal boat planter.



Action Stations Five-Rise garden taking shape

## Littering

The Town Council supported Plastic Free Bingley with their first community clean-up on the canal towpath on 12th May and was pleased to present an assembly on littering to pupils at St Joseph's Catholic Primary School on 25th May. Following the fruitful litterpicking session in Cottingley in April and on the canal towpath on 16th June, the total number of sacks filled on Council-run litter picks now exceeds 600. The Town Council is also starting to look at planning for a proposed 25% cut in Bradford Council's cleansing services in the parish from April 2019.

**Next litter pick is 11th August**  
**See Bingley Town Council website and facebook page for details.**

## Forum

Around 30 people attended the Green and Clean Forum at Cardigan House on 9th June when discussion included the possible establishment of a Friends of Myrtle Park group. Jeff Nutter and Lynda Chadwick of the Friends of Prince of Wales Park kindly provided very valuable information about how to successfully run such groups. Rachel Shimbles outlined the Plastic Free Bingley campaign group, and there was discussion of other issues such as



Green & Clean Forum at Cardigan House

growing edible plants for free consumption and the usual sharing of information from the groups attending.

*Bingley Town Council wishes to clarify that the article about the work of Action Stations in the last edition of the newsletter was written by the Chair of Action Stations, Bingley and Crossflatts.*

## Action on dog fouling

Letters are currently being distributed to a number of roads in Crownest and Gilstead Wards where dog-fouling has been identified as a particular problem. Residents are asked to ensure that they pick up after their dog where relevant and to report those who they see offending.

The letters are being followed-up with door-knocking to encourage involvement. Councillors and members of the Green and Clean sub-committee are being helped by members of the former Bingley Green Dog Walkers group, now relaunched as 'Towards a Dog Poo Free Bingley'.



## Policing issues

Residents might be interested to note that there is a Police Contact Point in Bingley Library every Thursday from 1 pm to 3 pm, when police officers will be on hand to answer queries from members of the public.

The current Shipley Neighbourhood policing team is headed up by Inspector Julie Deacon, who is joined in Bingley Central and Bingley Rural by PS 190 Andy Rollett, PC 979 James Surtees and PC 5703 Cath Gallimore and supported by PCSOs 523 Debbie Williams, 520 Rob Parker and 74 Niel Holmes in Bingley ward and PCSOs 167 Gary Fletcher, 255 Paul Alwood and 349 Sarah Bower in Bingley Rural.

If you wish to report a concern to the Police, you can contact via telephone - 101 or, e-mail [shipleynt@westyorkshirepnn.police.uk](mailto:shipleynt@westyorkshirepnn.police.uk) or via the website [www.westyorkshirepolice.uk/report-it](http://www.westyorkshirepolice.uk/report-it).

## Calling all schools! Christmas lights competition!



Bingley Christmas lights

Bingley Town Council are holding a competition for schools in Bingley to design a Christmas light decoration. This will be placed on the lamppost at the corner of the market square

in Bingley for the Christmas Lights display in 2018.

The competition is open to children in Year Four and Five of Primary School. Entries can be in any media and schools are asked to select the best three for entry to the Bingley - wide competition. All Primary Schools in the area have been contacted

The closing date for entries is Friday 12th October. Entries can be made any time before then.

The first three entries will receive a certificate and the winning school will receive a plaque. The overall winner will receive a prize and will be invited to join the Big Lights Switch on at the Bingley Christmas Fayre on Saturday 23rd November. The winning design will be made by the Festival Lights Company.

Please contact Councillors Mark Truelove or Helen Owen for further details.

## Priestthorpe Annex

Since its creation, Bingley Town Council has campaigned for a good outcome for the former technical school, known as Priestthorpe Annex, a derelict site on Mornington Road that has caused so much concern for many years.

The Town Council was saddened to find out last year that this once magnificent building has been allowed to get into such a state of disrepair that demolition is the only option. Now, Bradford Council, which acts as the trustees of the building, has agreed that the Annex is to be sold to developers and it is likely to be replaced by housing. The sale does not have any conditions attached, for example, about the type and quality of any scheme, which is in the Canal Conservation Area, or a time frame for delivery.

In the 19th century, Bingley's forebears built the Technical School for the educational benefit of the townspeople. The Town Council hopes the school's new owners will embrace that spirit, particularly as so many voluntary groups in Bingley work hard to improve our community. The Town Council welcomes investment in our town and will fully support new owners who act responsibly and deliver a quality scheme that enhances the area.

It's estimated the former Technical School has been sold

for around £250,000 and the Town Council has been reassured by the Trustees that the entire proceeds will benefit Bingley and views will be invited on how the proceeds should be distributed. In addition, the plaque commemorating the building's founders will be preserved.



Priestthorpe Annex Founders' stone

# Bingley Town Council Diary

All formal meetings are open to the public.

Everyone is welcome to attend.



Date	Time	Event
14 July	12:00	Cottingley Fun Day
20 July	12:00	Green and Clean Sub-Committee Meeting, Town Council Office, Cottingley Cornerstone
21 July	10:00	Bingley Show
23 July	18:30	Neighbourhood Plan Working Group, Cottingley Cornerstone Cafe
31 July	18:30	Full Council, St Wilfrid's, Gilstead
4 Aug	09:00	Bingley Summer Market, Bingley market square
8 Aug	18:30	Finance and General Purposes (F&GP) Committee, Cottingley Cornerstone
14 Aug	18:30	Planning Committee, Cardigan House
28 Aug	18:30	Full Council, Bingley Scout Hut, Sycamore Avenue, Bingley
10 Sept	18:30	Events, Marketing and Communications Sub-Committee, Bingley Methodist Church
11 Sept	18:30	Planning Committee, Cardigan House
12 Sept	18:30	F&GP Committee, Cottingley Cornerstone
25 Sept	18:30	Full Council Venue tba

Further information, all agendas and minutes and each councillor's attendance record at full council meeting are on [www.bingleytowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.bingleytowncouncil.gov.uk)

You can also add your organisation's event to the online calendar.



View from Druids Altar Rocks, St Ives Estate, Bingley by Paul Payne



The woods at St Ives, Bingley, by Paul Payne

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