



## Committee Membership

### Plans Committee

Cllr Susan Cuthbertson  
Cllr Claire Darling  
Cllr Sandy MacPherson  
Cllr Jack Rickard  
Cllr Jennifer Souter  
Cllr Andrew Walbank ©

### Awards & Projects Committee

Cllr Heathcliffe Bowen  
Cllr Mike Gibbons  
Cllr Henri Murison  
Cllr Jack Rickard  
Cllr Mike Ridgway ©  
Cllr Joanne Sugden

### Management & Staffing Committee

Cllr Heathcliffe Bowen  
Cllr Steve Butler ©  
Cllr Mike Gibbons  
Cllr Libby Packett  
Cllr Jennifer Souter  
Cllr Joanne Sugden

### Community Fund Committee

Cllr Brian Mann ©  
Cllr Mike Ridgway  
Cllr Joanne Sugden

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## Ilkley Parish Councillors 2015 - 2018

### CHAIRMAN: Cllr Brian Mann

#### Ilkley North

Cllr Brian Mann 602262  
Cllr Libby Packett 817450  
Cllr Joanne Sugden 607013

#### Ilkley West

Cllr Heathcliffe Bowen 600762  
Cllr Stephen Butler 608234  
Cllr Mike Ridgway 601117  
Cllr Jennifer Souter 602485

#### Ben Rhydding

Cllr Susan Cuthbertson 607503  
Cllr Mike Gibbons 605313  
Cllr Sandy MacPherson 431168  
Cllr Jack Rickard 602467

#### Ilkley South

Cllr Henri Murison  
Cllr Claire Darling 609058  
Cllr Andrew Walbank 608079

### VICE CHAIRMAN: Cllr Andrew Walbank

19 Owler Park Road LS29 OBG  
The Granary, Carters Lane LS29 0DQ  
Myddleton Cottage, Langbar Road LS29 0ED

8 Woodlands Rise LS29 9BU  
46 King's Road LS29 9AT  
19 Ghyll Wood LS29 9NR  
2 Curlew Close LS29 9DG

11a Cardan Drive LS29 8PH  
Apt 3, 19 Low Beck LS29 8UN  
33 Wheatley Lane LS29 8BW  
29 Wheatley Lane LS29 8BW

17 Wharfedale Drive LS29 8QB  
20 Middleton Road LS29 9EX  
9 Kimberley Street LS29 8JU

### REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Bandstand Management Committee  
Churches Together Ilkley (CTI)  
Coronation Hospital  
Coutances Town Twinning Committee  
Darwin Gardens Trust  
Friends of Ilkley Lido  
Friends of Ilkley Moor  
Friends of King's Hall  
Ilkley & District Good Neighbours  
Ilkley & District Road Safety  
Ilkley Business Forum  
Ilkley Fairtrade Group  
Ilkley Flower Show  
Ilkley in Bloom  
Ilkley Senior Citizens  
Keighley & Ilkley Voluntary Community Action  
Parish Liaison Meetings  
Tourism Partnership  
Wharfedale Festival of Performing Arts  
Yorkshire Local Councils Associations (YLCA)

Cllr Souter  
Cllr Mann  
Cllr Gibbons  
Cllr Mann  
Cllr Mann / Cllr Walbank  
Cllr Rickard  
Cllr Darling  
Cllr Gibbons, Cllr Souter  
Cllr Sugden  
Cllr Gibbons  
Cllr Ridgway  
Cllr Mann / Cllr Darling  
Cllr Souter  
Cllr Sugden  
Cllr Butler  
Cllr Mann  
Chairman, Vice-Chairman & Clerk  
Cllr Butler  
Cllr Gibbons  
Chairman & Clerk

### PARISH COUNCIL PROJECT MANAGERS

Allotments Cllr Walbank  
Christmas Carol Service Cllr Mann  
Car Parking & Traffic Cllr Ridgway  
Neighbourhood Plan Cllr Mann

Cemetery/Riverside Paths Cllr Darling  
Christmas/Jubilee Lights Cllr Souter  
Concert on the Grove Cllr Gibbons

### WARD COUNCILLOR SURGERIES

Councillor Mike Gibbons (Con)  
Councillor Martin Smith (Con) &  
Councillor Anne Hawkesworth (Ind)  
are at Ilkley Town Hall on 05/12/15,  
09/01/16, 06/02/16 and 05/03/16  
between 11:00am and 12:00noon.

### MP SURGERIES

Kris Hopkins MP now holds surgeries at  
Ilkley Town Hall. Surgeries are held  
every Tuesday and on some Saturdays.  
Surgeries are by appointment only.  
Please call 01535 201108.

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# Ilkley Parish Council Newsletter

## Parish Council Meeting Dates

All meetings are held  
in the Council  
Chamber at Ilkley  
Town Hall at 7:30pm.

### Full Council

There is a meeting of  
Full Council *usually*  
on the first Monday of  
each month. The next  
meetings are:

14th December 2015  
4th January 2016  
2nd February 2016

### Plans Committee

15th December 2015  
5th January 2016  
26th January 2016

### Awards & Projects Committee

21st December 2015  
15th February 2016  
11th April 2016

Local groups and  
organisations are able  
to apply for awards  
from Ilkley Parish  
Council. Please contact  
the Clerk for more  
information on how to  
apply including the  
rules and criteria.



*Elected to represent the residents of  
Ilkley and Ben Rhydding*

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LS29 8HB

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<http://parishcouncil.ilkley.org>

Office Hours: Monday – Thursday  
10:00am – 1:00pm

## Message from the Chairman

Welcome to this winter edition which is  
the first journal of this new council. We  
were elected in May for a four year term  
and we got off to a bad start losing a  
much respected councillor after only two  
days into the session. Paul Kitching will  
be missed, not only by the Parish Council  
but also by many organisations in the  
town.

The subsequent by-election in the Ben  
Rhydding ward led to Susan Cuthbertson  
joining the council and we now have a full  
complement of councillors. I believe that  
the five women and nine men making up  
the team are reasonably representative  
and have wide interests and experience  
across the political and community  
spectra.

We are a festival town. In late May, the  
long-running Wharfedale Festival of  
Performing Arts ran in various venues  
across the town. This was followed in  
August by the Summer Festival which  
culminated with the Parish Council's now  
traditional "Last Night of the Proms". The  
highlight of October was the literature  
Festival which brought many celebrities  
and visitors to the town. Now that we are  
into late winter, the Ilkley Arts Festival is  
in full swing. I could also mention the  
Beer Festival and the newly established  
Film Festival. All these events bring a  
vibrancy to the town and I sincerely thank  
all the organising teams for their efforts  
on our behalf.



The Chairman of Ilkley Parish Council,  
Councillor Brian Mann and his consort  
Mrs Sylvia Mann at Ilkley Flower Show.

Of concern at the moment is the fate of  
the Manor House. The Parish Council is  
working along with the Civic Society and  
the Friends of the Manor House to seek  
community use for the building. An  
approach is about to be made to the  
owners, Bradford Council, to seek a  
tenancy at will agreement whereby  
volunteers look after the asset and  
organise "pop-up" events such as  
exhibitions, displays and meetings. We  
can but hope that our approach is  
favoured and we see life once more in  
our iconic building.

As Autumn turns to winter, we see the  
approach of the festive season. I wish all  
our residents well with a happy time to  
come and I look forward to leading the  
Council and the town into 2016.

*Councillor Brian Mann*





## Public Participation at Parish Council Meetings

Did you know that members of the public and press are entitled by law to attend all meetings of the Parish Council? Early on in each meeting there is a Public Participation slot at which any member of the public is able to speak about an item on the agenda. Individuals are able to speak for a maximum of five minutes. Agendas are published three working days prior to each meeting and can be viewed on the Parish Council's website or in the notice board outside the Town Hall.

Please note that only items on the agenda can be discussed by the Council. If you have an issue which you would like the Parish Council to consider at one of its meetings please contact the Clerk to the Council.



## Ilkley Arts Trail 2015

Ilkley Parish Council were pleased to grant Ilkley Arts with an award of £7,400 to fund display stands, design and printing of the programme, t-shirts for volunteers, venue and equipment hire and website development costs. Ilkley Arts used Ilkley Town Hall as one of the venues for the first time this year. Councillor Brian Mann said "We are really excited to have the Art Trail using the Town Hall for such a wonderful community event. Let's hope this is the start of the town hall being used more creatively in the future."

This year's event was bigger and better than ever with more visitors than previous years knocking on artists' doors and studios to see the original art of 44 artists on show in 24 venues around the town. Organiser of the Trail, Sarah Thomas, commented "We've had some lovely feedback. The Trail has become an expected diary event – and one that continues to grow in reputation and enjoyment for so many people". The launch event at the Town Hall on 6th October got the Trail off to a great start with over 70 people attending. Ilkley Arts has been granted Charitable status by the Charities Commission which will make an enormous difference to how Ilkley Arts will develop over the coming years. To keep up to date with the Trail for 2016 events follow @IlkleyArts on Twitter or Ilkley Art Trail on Facebook.

## Dan's Den at Christchurch

Dan's Den at Christchurch is a new not-for-profit soft play facility in Ilkley. It has now been open for around 4 months and has been a great success! Last year, Ilkley Parish Council were very pleased to be able to provide an award of £1637 to fund the coffee machine in the new kitchen at the Den.

Dan's Den is now open 9:30am – 5pm during the week (closed Tuesday and Sunday) and is open 9:30am – 1pm on Saturday mornings. Party bookings are now being taken for Saturday afternoons.

There are lots of activities to take part in too! Happy Hands Craft is every Thursday morning 10:30 – 11:30 and Lego in the Den is every Wednesday from 4th November at 3:30pm – 4:15pm.

As a not-for-profit organisation, Dan's Den is very reliant upon its volunteers who help with a range of tasks including serving customers and running activities with the children. If you would be interested in volunteering contact **01943 603903** or pop in for a chat!



## Ilkley Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) News



Keighley Area Neighbourhood Policing Team has informed Ilkley Parish Council that thefts from sheds and gardens are becoming more common in the area. Please ensure that property in gardens and sheds is secure. Bicycles and power tools are a particular target for thieves.

Another concern for the Police has been the number of burglaries and attempted burglaries occurring due to a large number of UPVC doors being fitted with Euro Cylinder locks. Some offenders have found a way of overcoming these locks. Residents are advised to seriously consider upgrading their locks. If you would like further advice and information on this matter you should visit West Yorkshire Police's website or call 101 to speak to your local Crime Prevention Officer. Burglaries increase during the winter months. Remember: Always lock your doors and windows even when you're in, never leave keys in the lock or by the door and make sure valuables can't be seen through a window (including the chargers!) and always switch your alarm on if you have one.

A number of thefts from vehicles have also taken place in recent months. Several thefts have occurred at Cow and Calf Car Park and Darwin Gardens Car Park. These thefts have involved handbags, cameras and sat nav equipment being stolen from vehicles including the boot of cars. The Parish Council is currently looking in to the installation of warning signs for the two car parks to warn walkers of the potential danger.

Bradford Council are undertaking a wide-ranging consultation and they would like you to tell them: What things matter most to you and your community or business? What things matter less and could be stopped or changed? What you and other people can do differently to help?

Bradford Council have so far had to make savings of £170m and it is expected that further reductions of £100m will be required.

Your comments will form a fundamental part of the Council's decisions.

For more information visit: [http://www.bradford.gov.uk/bmdc/community\\_and\\_living/new\\_deal](http://www.bradford.gov.uk/bmdc/community_and_living/new_deal)

## Recognising & Remembering Ilkley's Heroes

At the Council's Annual Meeting in May the outgoing Chairman, Councillor Andrew Walbank awarded Ilkley's World War II veterans with a Certificate of Merit in recognition of their outstanding contribution during the war. Certificates were given to Mr T. Walker, Mrs J. Lloyd, Mr G. Goodyear, Mr F. Fairbourn, Mrs D. Hobbs, Mr G. Hodges, Mrs D. Morley, Mr C. Holden, Mr F. Roscoe, Mr R. Watkins Mrs R. Hill and Mrs G. Bowen.

Ilkley Parish Council also held the annual Remembrance Parade and Service in partnership with Churches Together Ilkley and the Royal British Legion. Once again a great number of people attended the service to pay their respects and remember Ilkley's servicemen and women who had lost their lives whilst serving their country.



## What's On in Ilkley

**Ilkley Arts Federation Festival**  
– 6th November 2015 until 20th December 2015  
(Full programme available from Ilkley Visitor Information Centre)

**Ilkley Christmas Lights Switch On**  
– 28th November 2015 from 3pm on The Grove

**Carol Concert**  
– 5th December 2015 from 3pm at the Bandstand on The Grove

**Concert of Christmas Music**  
– 11th December 2015 at Christchurch

**Holly Ball**  
– 18th December 2015 at Kings Hall & Winter Garden