



Ilkley Parish Councillors 2015 – 2018

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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)

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Cllr Mann
Cllr Gibbons
Cllr Mann
Cllr Mann / Cllr Walbank
Cllr Rickard
Cllr Darling
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Cllr Butler
Cllr Gibbons
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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 2nd April 2016
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.

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
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Cllr Henri Murison
Cllr Jack Rickard
Cllr Mike Ridgway ©
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Management & Staffing Committee

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Community Fund Committee

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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:

4th April 2016
9th May 2016
6th June 2016
4th July 2016

Plans Committee

19th April 2016
10th May 2016
31st May 2016
21st June 2016
12th July 2016

Awards & Projects Committee

5th April 2016
23rd May 2016
25th July 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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Message from the Chairman

What an incredibly wet winter we have had; we must all feel sympathy with all those who have suffered damage and trauma during this period. We do live in a steep-sided valley with a significant river flowing through so in extremes of weather, we must endure the consequences. Fortunately, our four bridges survived intact despite the raging river levels.

The same steep-sided valley and the river flowing through provides delights in better weather and with Spring around the corner we have much to look forward to flowers, blossom, walks on the moor and by the river. The dark days will soon be forgotten. However, the dark days may soon be compounded. Currently, the Bradford Local Plan is stating that there will be 2500 new houses built in the valley by 2028 (200 for Addingham, 1000 for Ilkley, 700 for Burley and 600 for Menston). Our planners seem to have given little thought to the impact on roads, schools, parking and infrastructure in general or the impact of such development on the environment. In fairness to the planners, the drive to increase our housing stock has come from central government. The Bradford Local Plan is currently undergoing main modifications and is subject to scrutiny by a government inspector. We anticipate publication later in the year.

Sylvia and I recently attended the inaugural Ilkley Business Awards dinner at the Kings

Hall. This was organised by the Ilkley Business Forum and provided a vibrant and sparkling backdrop for the many awards to individuals and companies alike.



Congratulations to IBF for this initiative which will help to promote LS29 as a good place to do business and create jobs. The Parish Council has been instrumental in bringing together individuals and organisations which have submitted a scheme for the development of the Manor House and the associate cottages for community use. This is currently with Bradford Council so watch this space!! Our budget has been set for 2016/17 and shows an increase of 9.8% over the previous year and whilst no one likes an increase, every penny of this tax will be spent for the benefit of the town. I wish you all a happy time amongst the flowers in spring weather in our beautiful valley.

Cllr 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.

Clarke Foley Centre News

The Parish Council's Chairman, Councillor Brian Mann officially opened the new and much-improved front entrance to the Clarke Foley Centre on Saturday 23rd January 2016. The centre is now easily accessible by all members of the community thanks to this £40,000 project. The Parish Council were very pleased to award the Centre £4373 to fund the cost of the new automatic doors.



Cllr Mann, The Lord Mayor of Bradford, William Varley (Clarke Foley Centre) & Ilkley's Town Crier, Isabel Hogan.



HM Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations in Ilkley

The Parish Council is now well underway with its plans for the Queen's 90th birthday celebrations in June 2016. It is hoped that the Council will hold a street party on The Grove during the afternoon of Sunday 12th June 2016 followed by a celebration concert at St Margaret's Church in the evening. Please 'save the date' and come along to join in the fun! The Parish Council will publish more details nearer the time.

Dan's Den at Christchurch

Dan's Den is 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! Story time is every Monday at 2pm. Happy Hands Craft is every Thursday morning 10:30 – 11:30 and Lego in the Den is every Wednesday 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 in Bloom

Ilkley in Bloom will be holding their local competition again this year with judging taking place in early August.

The 8 categories are:

- * **Front gardens visible from the road**
- * **Community Gardens – gardens where the residents are responsible for the upkeep of their grounds (gardeners can be employed)**
- * **Accommodation Providers**
- * **Pubs/Restaurants**
- * **Nursing/Retirement Homes**
- * **Commercial Premises with Gardens**
- * **Commercial Premises with tubs/baskets.**

Those who have entered before will be contacted by Ilkley in Bloom, but if any residents would like further information about the categories they fell would be of interest to them please contact Kate Brown on 604521 or Lorraine Hockey on 600869.

Ilkley Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) News



Keighley Area Neighbourhood Policing Team welcomes a new Inspector following the recent retirement of Inspector Susan Sanderson after 30 years' service. The Parish Council welcomes Inspector Rhees-Cooper to his role. Inspector Rhees-Cooper has 26 years of police experience and has previously led a Neighbourhood Policing Team in South Bradford. He has worked in various roles in Bradford throughout his career.

Shed theft remain a priority in Ilkley for the Neighbourhood Policing Team so please make sure that any valuable items such as bicycles and power tools are secured properly in your sheds and outbuildings.

The team has an increased the number of officers working through the night to make our streets safer and make it more difficult for individuals to commit crime during the hours of darkness. The Keighley ward area now has five operational teams providing 24/7 cover supported by NPT Ward Officers and PCSO's who work closely with the Council Ward Officers.

During the next few months the Police will be running a campaign to tackle speeding and anti-social driving. Inspector Rhees-Cooper would encourage you all to join the Online Watch Link (www.owl.co.uk/wyp) to receive regular information from your local NPT and to become a friend of Keighley NPT on Facebook. The team will also be able to answer your questions using this medium. You can also contact the team by dialing 101 for all non-emergency matters. Always dial 999 in an emergency.

Ilkley Fine Food & Local Produce Market

Following a substantial public consultation the very first Ilkley Fine Food and Local Produce Market took place on Sunday 6th March 2016. The Chairman of the Parish Council, Councillor Brian Mann had the pleasure of opening this wonderful new event.

The market is held on South Hawksworth Street (behind the Black Hat) and will take place on the first Sunday of each month. There are 19 stalls at the market some of which are reserved for charities and local start-up businesses. The Parish Council were pleased to be able to provide an award of £1167 to fund the cost of a gazebo and other equipment for the use of local start-up businesses to help them get off to a great start in business in Ilkley.



What's On in Ilkley

Ilkley Contemporary Medicine Festival – Kings Hall & Winter Garden, 2nd & 3rd April 2016

Ilkley Antiques and Collectables Fair – Clarke Foley Centre, 3rd April 2016

Ilkley Concert Club – Kings Hall and Winter Garden, 14th April 2016

Ilkley Carnival – East Holmes Field, 2nd May 2016

Ilkley Cancer Research Race for Life (5k) – East Holmes Field, 22nd May 2016

Aegon Ilkley Trophy – Ilkley Lawn Tennis & Squash Club, 11th – 19th June 2016