

# BRAMSHALL NEWS



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South Staffs Water

### **Road Closures**

#### **Revised Schedule**

The works along Stocks Lane have been delayed, but should have been completed by Sunday 21st November.

Due to feedback from local businesses, the works along Stone Road will not commence this year; the projected start date is from February 2022. This will allow sufficient notice for local businesses.

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[www.bramshallparish.org.uk](http://www.bramshallparish.org.uk)

## A Letter to The Village

Hello everyone in Bramshall; it has been over 12 months since I last came around with the post for the village & surrounding areas. The reason, if a few of you did not know, was that my left knee collapsed on me in Bramshall last August, and it has taken a long time to get it sorted out (especially with the Covid situation we have all had to deal with). Anyway, I am now all good and fixed in that leg after undergoing my 3<sup>rd</sup> knee operation, but I now have a small problem in my right knee!! I am experiencing a slight degree of loosening in the side of it – this is not serious and does not require any surgery on it. But my surgeon has said that if I were to continue with the physical work I have been doing over the years (especially getting in and out of the van so many times) that my right knee would not hold up to the job. With this in mind I have, unfortunately, taken the decision to retire from Royal Mail. I won't say goodbye as I will, hopefully, have a walk around the village from time to time if that's OK with everyone, so hoping still to see a lot of you around. Bramshall has always been a massive part of my life, I was born here at Small Farm, Dagdale Lane, and later on it was an honour to bring the post & parcels around the village; for me this became more than a job but a way of life. It's gutting to leave you all, but I just cannot take the risk with my knee after just having another operation. Some of you I have got to know as friends, but then everyone has been so kind and generous, and asking about my health and well-being; and I thank you all so much for that, for me it has been a great pleasure to see you all on a daily basis. So, I wish you all the very best for the future, your retiring Postie, Phil.



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### AUTUMN

Autumn is a season,  
And there really is no reason,  
Why it cannot be enjoyed as others are.

The leaves are changing colour,  
And the days are getting shorter,  
And a cloud or two blocks out the evening star.

We have enjoyed our summer's pleasures,  
Now endure these Autumn hours,  
Before Winter comes a creeping from afar.

by Mrs N. Smith



# Church News

The Uttoxeter Area of Parishes  
Parish Church of St. Lawrence Bramshall

Vicar Revd John Lander  
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## Services for December

5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.00am	Holy Communion
12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	4.00pm	Carol Service
19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.00am	Holy Communion
	4.00pm	Christingle
24 <sup>th</sup> Dec (Christmas Eve)	11.15pm	Midnight Eucharist
25 <sup>th</sup> Dec (Christmas Day)	10.00am	Holy Communion

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### Sidespersons Rota:

5 <sup>rd</sup>	Mrs L Corbishley
12 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs SA Lander
19 <sup>th</sup>	Mr R Jones
24 <sup>th</sup>	Volunteer
25 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs SA Lander



The December session for 'Funday School' will be held on Sunday 5th December commencing at 11am.

Hopefully, everyone will be able to join in the Christingle service on Sunday 19th December Commencing 4.00pm

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### 100 Club Results: November

1 <sup>st</sup>	No 102	Hopkinson family	£30
2 <sup>nd</sup>	No 116	Keith Gibbons	£25
3 <sup>rd</sup>	No 156	Amanda Wilkes	£20
4 <sup>th</sup>	No 18	Sarah Newbold	£15

## From the Registers

Funeral:

Friday 12th Nov

Andrew James MURRAY

Baptism:

Sunday 14th Nov

Archie Rodger HUGHES



Pictured left is Archie with his parents Ashley & Sarah, and big brother Jack.



### Carol Service

We will be holding our traditional service of Readings & Carols for Christmas on Sunday 12th December at 4.00pm, at which service we will be delighted to welcome members of the Alton Handbell Ringers who will be playing for us. The Hamper Draw and the Big December 100 Club will take place at the end of this service.



### Sunday 19th December

4.00pm Christingle Service

A lovely family time to be reminded of the importance of Christmas, and to help build up to the big day. This service is in support of The Children's Society. We plan to conclude our service with a walk to a nativity scene in a surprise location.

**Due to the popularity of the Carol and Christingle services, it is requested that those who wish to attend should contact Revd. John in advance as there will be a limit on the number of seats available while Covid remains circulating at these present levels.**

# DIGGING INTO THE PAST

## BRAMSHALL PARISH PCC MEETING

A Parochial Church Council meeting was held on May 6<sup>th</sup> 1930 in the Bramshall Parish Hall at 8pm.

Present: The Vicar Rev. W E Charlton (in the chair)

Rev. R.J. Philp

Mesdames Goodwin

Messrs Whittaker, Bentley (Churchwardens) J C DeVille, Lindop, Bloor, Adams, Potter.

**Minutes** - The minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

**Accounts** - The accounts of the past year were presented showing a balance in hand of £48.1.1. This was considered very satisfactory.

**Resignation** - Mrs Potts tendered her resignation from the Church Council. The Vicar remarked how grieved they all were that Mrs Potts had been obliged to take this step on account of illness and it was agreed that the Secretary send a letter of sympathy.

**Elections** - The Council were elected as follows:

Mesdames: Loverock, Goodwin, Lindop

Messrs Whittaker, Bentley, Martin, Woodward, Statham, Buckley, T.Durose (Grange) R. Bloor, Fradley Snr, Fradley Jnr and Ernest Whittaker.

Secretary - Proposed by Mr J C Deville and seconded by Mr Whittaker (Warden) that Mr Lindop be appointed Secretary for the ensuing year – carried unanimously.

**Quota** - It was agreed to pay the Quota of Ambition for this year £13.

**Insurance** - A circular from the Ecclesiastical Insurance informing us that they were now able to make a reduction of 25 per cent in the premium to take effect from next renewal date. It was decided to take advantage of this and to raise the Insurance of the Church fabric and contents from £2000 to £4000.

**Sunday School Treat** - Rev. R J Philp asked for a small grant for the Sunday School treat - the sum of five pounds be granted. In memory of his Mother Mr Bloor kindly offered the sum of one pound in addition to the sum granted of five pounds. This was accepted and he was warmly thanked from the chair and the Council also were grateful.

**Special Measure** - Proposed by Mr Whittaker and seconded by Mr Bloor that the Wardens and Secretary have power to spend up to five pounds without calling a Council meeting.

**Ruridecanal Representative** - Mrs J C DeVille was elected Ruridecanal representative in place of Mrs Whittaker who had resigned.

A Vestry meeting was held immediately after the PCC meeting on May 6<sup>th</sup> 1930

Present: As above and in addition to the PCC meeting the following attended: Messrs Durose, Goodwin, Potter and Adams.

**Vicars Warden** - The Vicar intimated that his Warden, Mr Whittaker wished to resign. He thanked Mr Whittaker for the invaluable help during his year of office and for the thorough conscientious way he had carried out his duties. He now had pleasure in nominating Mr J.C. DeVille as his Warden which Mr DeVille accepted.

**Peoples Warden** - The Secretary proposed and seconded Mr Whittaker that Mr Bentley be elected Peoples Warden – carried

**Sidesmen** - Mr Bloor proposed Messrs Fradley Jnr, Searle, Lindop, Mr Whittaker seconded.

**Easter offering** - The Vicar gave his Easter offering £3.1.0 to the needy of Bramshall, namely Mrs Potts 10/-, Mrs Millwood 11/-, Mrs Dobson 10/-, Mrs Webberley 10/-, Mr Wheat 10/-, Mr Locker 10/-.

**Churchyard** - The Churchyard was discussed and was decided to call a special meeting.

W E Charlton 16/4/31

## **BRAMSHALL PARISH PCC MEETING**

A Parochial Church Council meeting was held on May 31<sup>st</sup> 1930 in the Bramshall Parish Hall at 8pm.

Present: The Vicar Rev. W E Charlton (in the chair)

Rev. R.J. Philp, Rev. F. Need

Mesdames Loverock & Goodwin

Messrs J C DeVille, Bentley (Churchwardens) Martin, Statham, Goodwin, Blore,,

Fradley Snr, Fradley Jnr, Adams, Searle, Lindop.

**Insurance** - After discussing and voting on the necessary details for the increased Insurance of the Church Fabric amount, the following items were decided on:

Building included heating apparatus, lamps or electric light fittings and windows of plain (not stained or painted) glass of church £3,100

On Seats, Pulpit, Reading Desk, Font, Reredos, screens, plate and embroideries, textiles fabric, printed music and books and all other church fittings and furniture not otherwise specifically mentioned here in £600

On window of stained glass or painted including wire guard and fitting belonging thereto £200

£3,900

On the organ	£150
Bells and clock (inc. fittings belonging thereto)	£200
	<b>Total <u>£4250</u></b>

**Window Guards** - It was moved by Mr Martin and seconded by Mr Statham that the Secretary be empowered to deal with wire guards for stained glass window up to five pounds.

**Estimates for Gates** - Proposed by Mr J C DeVille and seconded by Mr Blore that the Secretary procure estimates and illustrations or sketches of wood and iron gate 9ft 6" also arch to carry lamp in the centre.

**Price of tarmac** - Proposed by Mr DeVille, seconded by Mr Fradley Jnr that Secretary get prices of tarmac suitable for church walks. This the Secretary promised to do.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting was fixed for June 13<sup>th</sup>. There being no other business the meeting closed with prayer.

Signed J H Statham

## **BRAMSHALL PARISH PCC MEETING**

A Parochial Church Council meeting was held on June 13<sup>th</sup> 1930 in the Bramshall Parish Hall at 8pm.

Present: Rev. R.J. Philp,

Mesdames Loverock & Goodwin

Messrs Whittaker Snr, Whittaker Jnr, Statham, Bentley, Blore, Fradley Jnr, Adams, & Lindop.

An apology for inability to attend was received from Mr J C DeVille (Warden).

**Vice Chairman** - It was proposed by Mr Whittaker and seconded by Mr Bentley that Mr Statham be elected Vice Chairman of Bramshall Church Council, there being no other nominations it was carried unanimously. Mr Statham accepted same, and immediately took the chair.

**Entrance Gates** - After the Council had spent considerable time looking at illustrations and sketches of iron and wooden gates Mr Whittaker proposed and Mr Adams seconded that three of the council be appointed and empowered to purchase a gate either iron or wood which they thought most suitable after viewing same, price to be no more than £30 pounds included lamp and fittings. Proposed by Mr Whittaker and seconded by Mr Bentley that Messrs J C DeVille, Fradley Jnr and Lindop be elected – carried unanimously.

**Tarmac** - After a lengthy discussion re price and laying of tarmac by voluntary labour it was thought the present not a convenient time as farmers



would be busy in their hay. Mr Lindop proposed that the question be deferred until next meeting and in the meantime ascertain size of gauge from Messrs Geo. Lovegrove & Son and also price of laying the tarmac from the firms who tendered.

**Plate** - Mr E Whittaker proposed that the plate be insured against theft for fifty pounds – this was seconded by Mr Bentley and carried.

There being no other business the meeting closed with prayer.

Signed: W E Charlton 19/5/31

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## BRAMSHALL 100 CLUB

Our established “100 Club” is entering its 15th year and we are hoping that you will consider joining or renewing your membership for 2022.

For those new to the village – whether you have a direct connection with Church or not – this can be a way of showing your care and support by purchasing a number for £12 (or more if you are feeling very generous!). We pay out half the proceeds in winnings and the other half is put towards keeping our lovely Church in the condition it is in at the moment.

The cost remains at £12 for the year for each number (£1 per month up front) and follows the usual format of monthly draws with the winners being notified and their names published in the Bramshall News Sheet.

Cheques should be made payable to: **Bramshall 100 Club**, placed in an envelope stating your **name and address, phone number and email address please, and given to:** Rev John Lander, 9 Overcroft, or phone 565228 to arrange collection.

For those of you who are more technologically proficient (and there seems to be quite a lot who are) you may wish to pay directly into the 100 Club Account. For this option please use: Natwest, Uttoxeter Sort Code 60-22-09 Account 64540138 **Bramshall 100 Club** – Ref: put your name. **An email to [sallyannelander@gmail.com](mailto:sallyannelander@gmail.com) saying you have paid this way would be exceedingly helpful; especially if you are a new member - we can then allocate your number/s.**

I know that not everyone can be a ‘winner’ (you can include the vicar in that category!!), so please do not be discouraged - and on behalf of the Parochial Church Council we thank you very much for continuing to support the church in this way.

## Autumn Fayre

Last month's autumn fayre proved to be very popular and was well supported with a steady stream of people throughout the afternoon. A big thank you to all who attended and parted with their hard-earned cash; and thanks also to the stall holders and the ladies for their hard work in the kitchen. A grand total of £320 was raised in aid of church funds.

## Children's Society Boxes

Children's Society Boxes should be returned to church for emptying as soon as possible, please. If anyone is willing to support this charity by having a box at home to pop loose change in over the coming year please contact Rev John.



## Festive Cuppa

Glenda will be hosting her much looked forward to 'festive cuppa' at Bowmore House, Stone Road (just over the level crossing).  
Thursday 9th December from 2-4pm.



Please ensure that all Hamper Draw tickets are returned to Glenda before Saturday 11th December.

Thank you, and good luck to all those who have bought tickets. The draw will take place after the Carol Service in church on Sunday 12th December

## Bramshall Old Rectory - Christmas Bazaar

**Saturday 4th December 3pm - 7pm. Please support this event.**

## Penny's Recipe of the Month



Hello readers of Bramshall News; well we are approaching Christmas and I am having a rest from giving you a recipe to follow because hopefully we will be enjoying a traditional festive meal - turkey, brussel sprouts, bread sauce, pigs in blankets and all that plus Christmas pudding. A few tips don't over cook the sprouts and order your turkey / chicken in good time. Another tip to remind you of boil the chicken/turkey carcass it makes a wonderful stock which is great for soups and can be frozen.

I sincerely hope you all have a lovely happy Christmas and I will give you all some recipes for the forthcoming year. Meanwhile be happy enjoy the village life we are very lucky to be living in a village like Bramshall especially when you see all the building going on around Uttoxeter.

Take care and a Happy Christmas and New Year to you all.

*Penny*

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**The Revd John and SallyAnne Lander wish everyone a Peaceful & Blessed Christmas, and all good wishes for a very Happy New Year.**

Finally, a very warm welcome to those families who have recently moved into our village; we hope you are settling in and finding your way around. Bramshall is a friendly place, and most people will have a chat when you bump in to folk walking around.

# **JOHN SEWELL**

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