

# Bradfield Parish Council

## ANNUAL REPORT 2023 - 2024

July 2024



## CHAIR'S MESSAGE

It is a time to reflect on our achievements and challenges, and also an opportunity to honour the memory of those who have been an integral part of our community. This year, we are saddened by the

loss of two esteemed members of our community, Vickie Priestley and Stephen Bennett. Vickie and Stephen were not only active participants in our Council activities but also cherished friends and neighbours. Their contributions to our Parish were invaluable, and their sad passing leaves a void in our community.

Moving forward to the business of the Council, I'd like to present a summary of our financial grants and budget allocations for the year 2023/24. This year, we had a total budget of £18,177. This sum was composed of £10,000 from the 2023/24 budget, £6,023 carried forward from the 2022/23 budget, and an additional £2,154 transferred from reserves.

These funds have been allocated to various community groups and projects, supporting a diverse range of initiatives that enrich our Parish. Here are the details of the grants awarded:

- **Stocksbridge Community Care Group for the Musical Memories program received £2,000**
- **Bradfield Festival of Music received £500 for the Music Festival**
- **Oughtibridge Millennium Green Group received £172 for the Oughtibridge Mayfest.**
- **SCOFF received £1,835 for the Garden Party Costs**
- **Oughtibridge Brass Band received £2,000 towards their participation in the National Finals**
- **Supporters of Oughtibridge School received £1,000 for football equipment**

- **Friends of Stoneface Creative received £1,500 for the Jack O'Lantern event**
- **Oughtibridge WM Women's FC received £1,500 towards their football kit**
- **SUD Tenants & Residents Association received £170 for their Christmas Magic Show**
- **Oughtibridge WM Sports Club received £2,000 for a generator and gazebos.**
- **Worrall Environmental Group received £1,500 towards the Worrall Worm**
- **Bolsterstone Archaeology Heritage received £2,000 for a Walkover Survey.**
- **Oughtibridge Junior Football Club received £2,000 towards establishing the club.**

The total amount paid out is £18,177, fully utilizing our budget for the year.

Every project we support helps to build a stronger, more connected community.

In addition to our financial allocations, we have achieved several significant projects for the last year. We have completely restored the steps at Sensicall Park, enhancing accessibility and safety for all visitors. At Coronation Park, we installed new play equipment, providing a fresh and exciting space for our children to play. We have also restored our tennis courts, encouraging more residents to engage in physical activity and enjoy the sport. Although we lost our beloved totem pole, we are proud to have replaced it with a beautiful sculpture the design was suggested by local children and supplied by Stoneface Creative.

As we also look forward to the coming year with optimism and a renewed commitment to serving our Parish. Together, we will continue to honour the legacy of individuals like Vickie Priestley and Stephen Ben-nett by fostering a community that values collaboration, support, and progress.

Thank you all for your dedication and support. Let us continue to work together for the betterment of Bradfield Parish.

## FINANCIAL REPORT 2023/2024

The Parish Council approved expenditure for the financial year 2023/2024 of £443,430.

The Council's expenditure relates to services carried out in the area, enhancing the work of Sheffield City Council and local community groups, maintenance of its assets, which include Council offices, Coronation Park, Birtin Cemetery, Low Bradfield public toilets, several stone built bus shelters, vehicles and equipment, numerous wayside seats and noticeboards, and provision of illuminated Christmas trees throughout the Parish.

An amount is also set aside each year for grants to local organisations. The list of grants awarded during 2023/2024 can be found on the website. The precept collected from the local taxpayers amounted to £255,277. The balance was met from reserves, income from Birtin Cemetery, rental income, Community Infrastructure Levy and other miscellaneous income. The Council's accounts are subject to external audit. The external audit will be undertaken in July 2024 and the accounts will be made available to the public during July 2024. The final audit report will be displayed after completion of the external audit. For the current year 2024/25 budgeted expenditure amounts to £345,680 with a precept of £258,162.

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## COUNCILLORS

### OUGHTIBRIDGE WARD

Cllr T Barrow  
Cllr N Clark  
Cllr J Morton

### STANNINGTON WARD

COVERING:-  
STANNINGTON, DUNGWORTH,  
STORRS LOW & HIGH BRADFELD

Cllr P Baker  
Cllr C Carter  
Cllr P Roberts  
Cllr S Shepherd  
Cllr T Vickers

### WHARNCLIFFE SIDE WARD

COVERING:-  
WHARNCLIFFE SIDE & MIDHOPESTONES

Cllr S Bennett (to Jan 2024)  
Cllr Vill Powell (from Feb 2024)

### WORRALL WARD

COVERING:-  
WORRALL, LOXLEY, WADSLEY PARK VILLAGE,  
UGHILL & HOLDWORTH

Cllr S Cole  
Cllr V Priestley (to Nov 2023)  
Cllr L Morgan (Jan 2024 to May 2024)  
Cllr J Paszek  
Cllr K Southwood