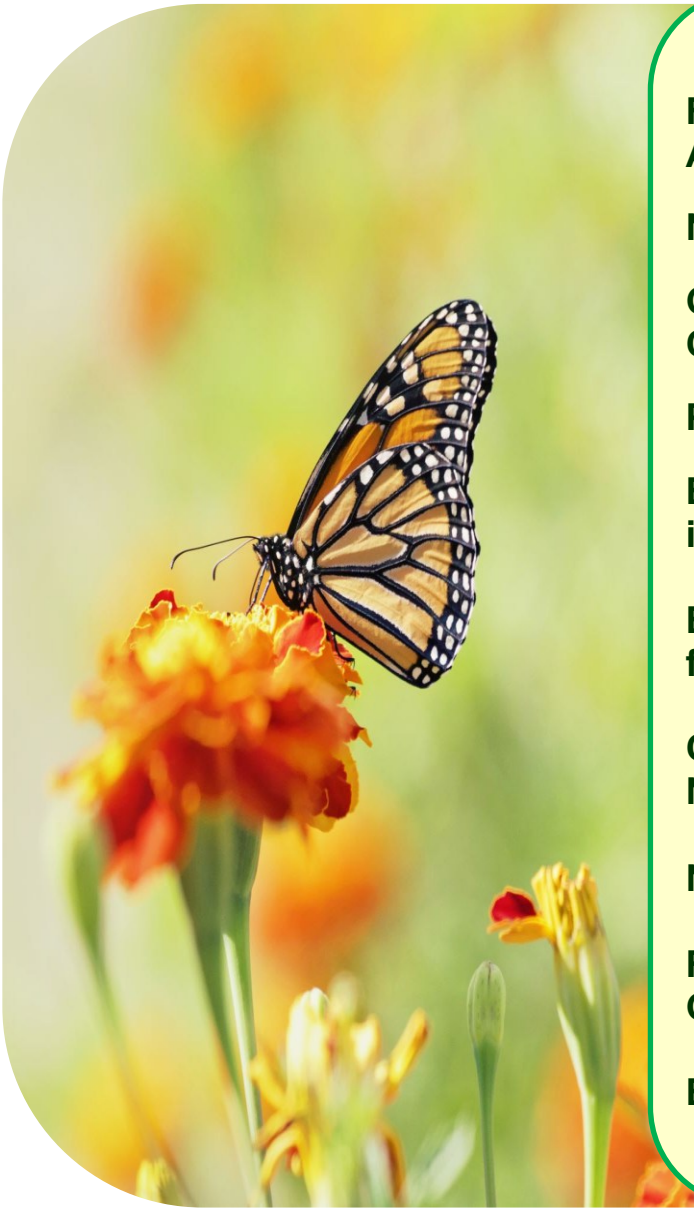
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TUESDAYS

5-9 Years: 1-2pm

10 Years +: 2-3pm

The Rec, Newport Rd, New Bradwell

21st, 28th July

4th, 11th, 18th, 25th August

THURSDAYS

5-9 Years: 12pm-1pm

10 Years +: 1-2pm

The Rec, Newport Rd, New Bradwell

23rd, 30th July

6th, 13th, 20th, 27th August

Sessions will be in the Community Centre, Church Street, if raining

www.kofamk.com

FREE CHILDRENS' BASKETBALL COACHING

MK BREAKERS BASKETBALL CLUB – MKB



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Chair's Welcome

Summer has arrived and we here at New Bradwell Parish Council can't wait to share with you the exciting events and activities we've got planned over the coming months, particularly for our younger residents. The free football sessions for children aged 5 – 9 years and 10+ years with Kick Off Academy are returning to the rec in July and August (see inside cover for details). MK Breakers are also bringing back the free basketball coaching sessions at the Bradwell Park MUGA in August.

For New Bradwell residents of all ages there is the Brighton Coach Trip on Saturday 15th August with tickets going on sale 14th July) (see back cover for details. There is also lots to get involved with at New Bradwell Community Centre, including an opportunity to have your voice heard at the Community & Police Forum on Wednesday 15th July.
Read on for more details!

Simon Clawson
Chair of New Bradwell Parish Council

Scan the QR codes for further information

New Bradwell Parish Council website
https://newbradwell-pc.gov.uk/

Hire the New Bradwell Community Centre
https://newbradwell-pc.gov.uk/page/facilities

YOUR COUNCILLORS

Simon Clawson
Chair
Tina Strutton
Vice Chair

Nicola Coxon
Hannah Clawson
Alan Francis
Sarah Barby
Stephanie Sutcliffe

NEW BRADWELL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES

3rd August	All meetings are scheduled for the first Monday of the month, except when adjusted for bank holidays. The August meeting date is to be confirmed (TBC).
7th September	
5th October	
2nd November	
7th December	

NEW BRADWELL PARISH COUNCIL STAFF

Germaine Newnham
Clerk

Tahnee Campbell
Office Administration Assistant

STARTING SEPTEMBER 26



FRIDAYS

3:30-5:30PM
7-14 YEARS OLD

SCAN THE QR CODE TO BOOK YOUR CHILD'S PLACE!

STARTING SEPTEMBER 4TH!

COMMUNITY CENTRE, CHURCH STREET, NEW BRADWELL, MK13 0DA

www.kofamk.com

Kick Off Academy has partnered with New Bradwell Parish Council to provide a free, weekly Youth Club to New Bradwell residents aged 7 - 14 years old. This is the perfect opportunity for young people to have fun and make new friends whilst staying active playing a variety of sports. Kick Off Academy's coaches are fully trained, DBS checked, and First Aid trained, thereby ensuring a safe environment for all.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Kick Off Academy at kickoffacademymk@gmail.com or New Bradwell Parish Council at contact@newbradwell-pc.gov.uk.



BETTERING BIODIVERSITY IN NEW BRADWELL



NEW CHERRY TREES AT NEW BRADWELL COMMUNITY CENTRE





As reported in our Winter 2025 / 2026 newsletter, New Bradwell Parish Council were obliged to remove two poplar trees and one cherry tree from Community Centre car park after a thorough professional evaluation found they posed risks to the infrastructure and could not be retained safely. New Bradwell Parish Council are now delighted to report that these trees have now been replaced with cherry blossom trees ***(please see photographs)***







GET INVOLVED AT NEW BRADWELL COMMUNITY CENTRE

Church Street
New Bradwell
Milton Keynes
MK13 0DA



Move It or Lose It Exercise Classes

Tuesdays
10:30 – 11:15
Gym / Small Hall

Exercises can be done seated or standing

Contact Helen Blucher-Altona on 07944 750958

or

helen.blucher-altona @moveitorloseit.co.uk

for more information





New Bradwell Over 50's Club

EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY
1PM -3PM
Gym / Small Hall

Get out of the house and meet new friends in a warm and welcoming atmosphere.
Next dates: 8th & 22nd July 2026
Then: Summer break.
Returns: September 2026.
Email contact@newbradwell-pc.gov.uk for more information.

YOUTH CIRCUS WORKSHOP

Teaching balance and manipulation skills

Sundays 9:00 – 11:00
(Term time only)

Children register on their first attendance
(parent/guardian signature required)

PRICES
1 hour: £5.00
2 hours £7.00

Contact Nigel Roder on 07713432216 or nigel@itshim.co.uk for more information

Girlguiding

Explore your interests!



Girlguiding has three great groups that meet during term time at the Community Centre:

- Wednesdays: Rainbows (aged 4 - 7) at 5:30 - 6:30PM
- Thursdays: Brownies (aged 7 - 10) at 5:30 - 7PM
- Thursdays: Guides (aged 10 - 16) at 7:00 - 8:30PM

All girls are welcome to come along and see what we do.

We help all girls know they can do anything

What happens next
We're so glad you're thinking of joining us. Discover the fun and rewarding ways to get involved at **girlguiding.org.uk**

Registered charity: 306016

Girlguiding

Scan here to register your interest and find out more



STAY & PLAY MUM & TODDLER GROUP

Every Monday 9AM – 11:30AM
£2 per family.

Meet new friends whilst your children play.
No need to book, simply come along.

Morris Dancing Taster Sessions with Rapskallian Morris

Have you ever thought you'd like to try Morris Dancing? Then why not join us at New Bradwell Community Centre? Experienced musicians also welcome.

Fortnightly on a Tuesday 2PM – 3.30PM

Your first three sessions are free.
Email rapskallianmorris@gmail.com





BOUNCEFITBODY ((BOUNCE)) BARBELLS BOX

Sessions throughout the week both during the day and on an evening.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO BOOK NOW

Contact via Facebook or Instagram

RETURNING SEPTEMBER 2026

ADULT ARCHERY CLASSES WITH MK ARCHERY
Every Tuesday (September – March) 6.30pm-9.00pm

Please register before attending a session.

Further information, including how to register and costings, can be found on the Milton Keynes Archery Club website

FIND OUT MORE

GROUPS PAGE
Further information about all the above on our website.

EVENTS PAGE
Further information on our website about other events and workshops being held at New Bradwell Community Centre and within the New Bradwell area.

HIRE THE COMMUNITY CENTRE
Further information on our website about booking the community centre for your group / class, meeting, or party.

HIRE NEW BRADWELL COMMUNITY CENTRE

Are you looking for a unique setting for your party or wedding?

Are you a company searching for meeting space?

Are you a charity seeking a cost effective venue?





Located in the heart of the historic village of New Bradwell in the city of Milton Keynes, the New Bradwell Community Centre is a grade-II listed building with modern facilities, including a kitchen and free off-street parking (subject to availability).

Whether you are a commercial business, not-for-profit enterprise, charity, community group, or member of the public, we are happy to discuss your individual booking needs to ensure you get the most out of our versatile venue.

New Bradwell Parish Council

Call New Bradwell Parish Council on 01908 313602 or email us at communitycentre@newbradwell-pc.gov.uk for more information. Alternatively, scan the QR code.



Join the next Community & Police Forum and be part of positive change!

Wednesday 15th July 2026 - 7pm-8:30pm

New Bradwell Community Centre, Church Street, New Bradwell, MK13 0D

Share reports • Share updates • Share observations • Ask questions

YOUR COMMUNITY NEEDS YOU!

New Bradwell continues to experience heightened antisocial behaviour. Without resident reports, Thames Valley Police cannot establish there's an issue. Your voice matters - attend and speak up!

NEW BRADWELL NEEDS YOUR VOICE

Your attendance and reports are crucial for positive change!

REMEMBER TO REPORT!

Every incident matters! Even if it seems minor, please report antisocial behaviour to Thames Valley Police:

- **Emergency:** 999
- **Non-emergency:** 101
- **Online:** thamesvalley.police.uk
- **Anonymous:** Crimestoppers 0800 555 111

Without reports, there's no data.
Without data, there's no action!

SCAN TO REPORT ONLINE

BETTERING NEW BRADWELL FOR ALL

BRING IN YOUR WHEELIE BINS

New Bradwell Parish Council is working closely with Environmental and Enforcement Officer Dave Barnes and Milton Keynes City Council to enforce the rules regarding the leaving out of wheelie bins. If your wheelie bins are still blocking the pavement after collection day, you might receive an enforcement letter.

DON'T PARK ON THE PAVEMENTS

New Bradwell Parish Council is working closely with Environmental and Enforcement Office Dave Barnes and Milton Keynes City Council to tackle the growing issue of pavement parking. This obstructs the pavement and forces vulnerable people, such as children and the disabled, to walk in the road.
Think before you park.

SIDs ARE COMING TO NEW BRADWELL

New Bradwell Parish Council have successfully secured money from the Community Infrastructure Fund (CIF) to purchase a Speed Indicator Device (SID) to tackle the growing issue of speeding on Newport Road. The device, as well as a second purchased by NBPC, will be operational once poles to mount them on are installed by Milton Keynes City Council.

NEW CCTV CAMERA TO TACKLE ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

As we reported in our Winter 2025 / 2026 newsletter, New Bradwell Parish Council secured part-funding from the Thames Valley Police Community Fund to establish a rapidly deployable camera within the Parish to tackle anti-social behaviour. This will now be deployed, in addition to our existing camera, wherever anti-social behaviour is reported to be taking place. It's our hope that, by working closely with residents, TVP and PCSOs, we can effect positive change within our Parish.

If you've witnessed anti-social behaviour within our Parish and would like to suggest a future location for our cameras, please contact us using the details below.

If you have any questions about the above, or would like more information, please contact New Bradwell Parish Council either by phone on 01908 313602 or by email at contact@newbradwell-pc.gov.uk.



With our very busy Easter celebrations behind us, we are now entering a busy summer at St. James.

A sure sign that summer has arrived came with the switching on of our electronic Swift caller in the bell tower.

The long-awaited repairs to our bell were scheduled to start in June and so we should soon be able to ring out across the town announcing services, weddings and other significant events.

We are in the process of planning for the installation of a permanent churchyard lamp at the point where the footpath from the community centre car park joins the main churchyard car park.

We will be attending Bradwell School summer carnival on 11th July and Bradwell Silver band will be playing for us at our Patronal festival service at 9.30 on 26th July.

Join our ever-popular Open Air Churchyard Concert with our friends from Bradwell Silver Band as they celebrate their 125th anniversary will take place on Sunday 16th August.

As we reach the end of summer as part of the Milton Keynes Heritage event the church will be open for visitors on Saturday 12th September.

Just a reminder that our regular Sunday service starts at 9.30 and that the church is open for coffee every Saturday morning from 10.00 until 12.00 noon.

For more information please visit our website
https://www.stjamesnewbradwell.org.uk/ or our Facebook page.

It would be lovely to be able to welcome you to St. James at some point during the summer.

Words by Graham Crisp, Churchwarden St. James Church.

Childhood Memories of New Bradwell

My journey to school along the High Street continued from Woods's paper and gift shop to the grocery shop next door, owned and run by Amey and Desmond Allen-Rowlandson.

It was known locally as Woods's sweet shop because Amey was sister to the Woods brothers who ran the paper and gift shop.

Woods's sweet shop was always well stocked with groceries and had a terrific selection of sweets which were stored in their traditional glass jars.

Amey and Des always made a great job of decorating their shop window at Christmas with lights, tinsel and baubles. They also rigged up a couple of Christmas tree Angel decorations in the shop window which were each suspended on a spring from a wire which in turn was attached to the shop door. Each time the door was opened the Angels would be pulled up and down on their wire and then bounce up and down on their springs. This was fascinating stuff for us kids who would stand at the window waiting for the door to be opened!

It was from this shop that on 15th February 1971, decimalisation day, I made my first ever purchase with the new decimal coins. I felt this was such a significant event that I recorded it my diary "I went decimal shopping to Wood's shop where Mrs. Rowlandson served me with some sweets!"

Also significant was the fact that I bought my first ever curry from this shop. It was a vesta beef curry which at the time was advertised as the height of culinary dining! By a quirk of fate, the premises are now the New Bradwell Tandoori takeaway, albeit currently closed.

Moving along the High Street the next shop was Violet Swains's wool shop, being careful on the way not to trip over her pet poodle who used to spend much of its time laying on the pavement outside the shop waiting to be fussed by passers-by! As well as selling all things millinery, which did not really interest us kids, the shop also stocked a small range of toys which were of much more interest!

The next shop in the Hight Street was the co-op fish shop which was run by Mr. Larner. The range of fish for sale was huge and the display impressive. This in the days before many people had fridges or freezers. A fine range of fresh vegetables was also sold here.

Next along the High Street was a house occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Chambers, before arriving at the co-op butchers. The only butcher I can remember working there was my parents' friend Harry Walton. Whenever we went into the shop, Harry talked about the goings on at the bottom club on Newport Road, now the dance centre, where he was a committee member. Like the fishmongers, the butchers always had a fine range of fresh produce for sale.

The next shop was the co-op drapery about which I remember very little, but I can remember the shop next door which was the very traditionally laid out co-op grocery store.

I can recall there being one long counter on the left-hand side of the shop as you entered with all the produce being staked up on shelves behind the counter. I remember being served by Mrs. Marks, Janet Skeats and Mr. Casebrook and having to give them our co-op divi number which was 662.

In later years, the co-op grocery store, drapery, butchers and the Chamber's house were all combined to create the co-op supermarket and storeroom that we have today.

Words by Graham Crisp
Churchwarden St. James Church.

ELECTRA NEWS

The Milton Keynes all electric community boat

Electra celebrates her 5th Birthday



On the 5th of May, Electra celebrated her 5th birthday, since her initial launch in 2021; since then we've run over 1,300 cruises, delighting over 12,000 guests. To show our gratitude, some of our longest standing volunteers and other key helpers, were given a free return cruise from great Linford Manor Park to new Bradwell, with cakes and refreshments. And it was very apt that one of our newly trained skippers was on the helm.

On returning to the park, we had a get together with a much larger group of volunteers with more cake and refreshments. Chairperson Denise Taylor thanked everyone for their tireless work, without which Electra could not operate.

New cruises this season based at Wolverton Park

Thanks to the new charging bollard we have installed, we can now run cruises from Wolverton Park. These include our regular food cruises (Cream Tea, Fish & Chips) and also a new Leisurely Light Lunch; the first of these ran on 15th May and was very well received by the guests. Cruise routes are a figure of 8 (South to New Bradwell then North to the Galleon Pub), or over the old aqueduct to Cosgrove, or some 1 way trips. They are proving popular.

Call for New Volunteers

We need more Cabin Hosts, to chat to our guests and serve refreshments; and we also need Walk Leaders to help on 'Walk & Glide' cruises and a Business Lead, to plan and steer the business side. If you might be interested, contact Denise.taylor@bmkwaterway.org.

BRADWELL WINDMILL PROJECT: Get Involved

The Bradwell Windmill Project celebrates the heritage and history of Bradwell Windmill as a key heritage and community attraction for Milton Keynes.

The project includes major restoration works to the mill itself, as well as a public programme inviting local residents to build a deeper connection with the heritage of the area, the site, the natural environment and food heritage.

A FREE public programme is running throughout the project offering a number of different opportunities for residents to get involved, from events, open mill days, volunteering opportunities, workshops and more.

To find out more visit https://www.bradwellwindmillproject.co.uk

Get involved: Remembrance & History Group



The first meeting of the Remembrance & History Group was a great success with many residents sharing their memories of New Bradwell as well as their ideas for future projects. Following this, we've begun our investigation into the practicalities of having a lectern with the names of the fallen installed in the flower bed at the Clock Tower. Further updates will be provided once we have them.



New Bradwell British Legion branch 100th Anniversary certificate at St. James Church

A framed certificate to mark 100 years since the establishment of the British Legion New Bradwell branch has been permanently installed in St. James Church (see photo). Many residents have expressed their wish for the activities of the British Legion in New Bradwell to be recorded as part of its history. Therefore, we're asking all residents to search their drawers, etc, for photographs & press cuttings, etc, which they'd like preserved for future generations.

If you have a photographs / press cuttings you'd like to donate, please contact New Bradwell Parish Council either by phone on 01908 313602 or by email at contact@newbradwell-pc.gov.uk.

BRIGHTON COACH TRIP

SATURDAY 15TH AUGUST 2026

DEPART AT 7:30AM FROM
New Bradwell Community Centre
Church Street, MK13 0DA

DEPART AT 5PM FROM:
Brighton Beach, BN2 1ET

****New Bradwell Residents ONLY****







TICKET PRICES

ADULTS (18 & over): £10.00 each

CHILD: £5.00 each

Limited number of tickets on sale on Tuesday 14th July 2026 on the Parish website

Contact New Bradwell Parish Council on 01908 313602 or contact@newbradwell-pc.gov.uk for more information

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