

The Trust
The Newsletter of the Bradwell Community Land Trust No.6
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Last summer the first six local families moved into affordable houses on Bradwell Springs. This was a great moment in the life of the CLT: the first visible result of our efforts, the first lives changed by the Neighbourhood Plan and subsequent planning conditions that required affordable houses to be included in the development. By the end of this year we hope that the final six Bradwell Springs houses will also be completed and occupied.

This is a cause of great satisfaction but it also brings with it a responsibility. From now onwards the CLT is receiving rent from the houses, money that it is our duty to spend on projects for the benefit of the village. This might include the provision of further affordable housing, and to help us plan for the future we commissioned a Housing Needs Survey from Derbyshire Dales District Council.

The direction we take in this new and exciting phase of our existence depends on you, the membership, and we hope that you will all participate in helping to guide our strategy. The Housing Needs Survey, conducted last year, revealed that there were still, after the next six houses are filled, 38 households in Bradwell that were in housing need. Housing need is defined as:

- living in accommodation that is overcrowded (generally, growing families)
- current accommodation is too expensive (generally, those renting privately)
- adults living with parents and in need of independence
- need to move on health/medical grounds

The Bradwell Springs houses are all two-bedroom, fulfilling a need first identified in a housing needs survey conducted many years ago, and only households in need of this kind of accommodation can be considered for them. One of the most interesting things to emerge from the latest Housing Needs Survey is that 23 of the 38 households in need require one-bedroom accommodation.

We are therefore considering strategies for meeting this need. As we have said, any decision about how to move forward will be taken in consultation with the membership as a whole, and subsequently, whatever direction is agreed, with the whole village. We greatly value the loyalty of our members, especially those who have attended AGMs over the years when there has been, often, little to discuss. Now is the opportunity for you the members to take an active role in planning the future of the CLT and the village.

Carnival Week

For several years, thanks to the organisational efforts of Katrina Lancaster and Tim Sheppard, the CLT has run Open Gardens in Carnival Week. This year Katrina and Tim are retiring from the role, but the proud gardeners of Bradwell will still be able to welcome visitors on 6th August. Organisation of the

event has been taken over by St Barnabas Church under the leadership of Jane Dalrymple. Please continue to support this great event by showing off and visiting the horticultural wonders of Bradwell.

After two years when Covid has prevented us from putting on Comedy Night, laughter will return to the Memorial Hall on 6th August with a great line-up of performers and gallons of Intrepid beer from our local brewery. Once again Dave Byron will be our host - who can forget his airline take off delivery We also have a great variety of comedians, Sean Heydon card trick king and BGT's most jaw-dropping magician, Sean Percival who confronts realism in an explosively funny way and James Cook described as "Suave and chirpy" and fresh from radio

This year food is being provided by the Bakehouse. There are two options: the Bakehouse's home-made steak pie and mushy peas or quiche, coleslaw and potato salad. This will need to be ordered when you purchase your ticket. Food orders need to be placed by 2nd of August

Prices

CLT Member prices until 9th July £11

After 9th July open to the public and ticket price £13

Food £6.50

Tickets can be purchased direct from Andy, email andy@melandandy.co.uk or from the Post Office.