



MAYORS OF BRADFORD

A LIST OF THE MEN AND WOMEN
ELECTED TO THE OFFICE OF MAYOR
AND LORD MAYOR IN BRADFORD

INCLUDING CHAIRMEN OF THE
CONSTITUENT AUTHORITIES
THAT BECAME PART OF THE
BRADFORD METROPOLITAN DISTRICT IN 1974



Bradford

Beginning in 1847, with the Incorporation of the Borough
(Bradford became a County Borough in 1889,
and a City in 1897)

1847	Robert Milligan
1847-48	Robert Milligan
1848-49	Titus Salt
1849-50	Henry Forbes
1850-51	William Rand
1851-52	Samuel Smith
1852-53	Samuel Smith
1853-54	Samuel Smith
1854-55	William Murgatroyd
1855-56	William Murgatroyd
1856-57	Henry Brown
1857-58	Henry Brown
1858-59	Henry Brown
1859-60	Isaac Wright
1861-62	Isaac Wright
1862-63	Matthew William Thompson
1863-64	Joseph Farrar
1864-65	Charles Semon
1865-66	John Venimore Godwin
1866-67	William Brayshaw
1867-68	James Law
1868-69	Edward West
1869-70	Mark Dawson
1870-71	Mark Dawson
1871-72	Matthew William Thompson
1872-73	Matthew William Thompson
1873-74	Manoah Rhodes
1874-75	Henry Mitchell

1875-76 Wilson Sutcliffe
1876-77 George Motley Waud
1877-78 Briggs Priestley
1878-79 Angus Holden
1879-80 Angus Holden
1880-81 Angus Holden
1881-82 John Hill
1882-83 Frederick Priestman
1883-84 Isaac Smith
1884-85 Isaac Smith
1885-86 Thomas Hill
1886-87 Angus Holden
1887-88 John Limber Morley
1888-89 William Moulson
1889-90 Smith Feather
1890-91 Ezra Waugh Hammond
1891-92 Thomas Priestley
1892-93 William Oddy
1893-94 Jonas Whitley
1894-95 William Willis Wood
1895-96 William Willis Wood
1896-97 Thomas Speight
1897-98 Thomas Speight
1898-99 William E. Aykroyd
1899-1902 William C. Lupton
1902-04 David Wade
1904-05 William E.B. Priestley
1905-06 William A. Whitehead
1906-07 John A. Godwin, First Lord Mayor, 1907
1907-08 John E. Fawcett
1908-09 James Hill
1909-10 William Land
1910-11 Jacob Moser
1911-12 John B. Moorhouse
1912-13 Fred Foster

1913-14 John Arnold
1914-15 George H. Robinson
1915-16 Thomas Howarth
1916-17 Abram Peel
1917-18 John Bland
1918 Herbert Hustler Tetley
1918-19 Joseph Hayhurst
1919 Walter Barber
1919-20 William Wade
1920-21 Anthony Gadie
1921-22 Thomas Blythe
1922-23 Thomas Sowden
1923-24 Herbert M. Trotter
1924-25 John H. Palin, MP
1925-26 Joseph Stringer
1926-27 Richard Johnson
1927-28 Michael Conway
1928-29 Herbert T. Pullan
1929-30 Angus H. Rhodes
1930-31 Alfred Pickles
1931-32 George Walker
1932-33 John W. Longley
1933-34 Arthur W. Brown, MBE
1934-35 Walter Hodgson
1935-36 Jonas Pearson
1936-37 George R. Carter
1937-38 Henry Hudson
1938-39 Tom J. Robinson
1939-40 M.F. Titterington
1940-41 William Illingworth
1941-42 Louis F.W.S. Smith
1942-43 James Harrison
1943-44 Walter Barraclough
1944-45 Cecil Barnett
1945-46 Kathleen Chambers

City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council

1946-47 Thomas I. Clough
 1947-49 Frederick J. Cowie
 1949-50 George T. Meggison
 1950-51 Alton Ward
 1951-52 Horace Hird
 1952-53 John Shee
 1953-54 Angus Crowther
 1954-55 Henry James White
 1955 Herbert William Semper
 1955-56 Richard Cornelius Ruth
 1956-57 Horace Robert Walker
 1957-58 David Black
 1958-59 Norbert William Durrant
 1959-60 Ernest England
 1960-61 Edgar Robinson
 1961-62 Benjamin Wilfrid Berry
 1962-63 Harold K. Watson
 1963-64 Tom Wood
 1964-65 Weber Marshall Hird
 1965-66 Jack Wilkinson
 1966-67 Louis Cowgill
 1967 Thomas Lee
 1968 John William Taylor

1968-69 Arthur Walton
 1969-70 Edward Newby, OBE
 1970-71 John E. B. Singleton
 1971-72 Herbert Moran
 1972-73 Audrey Firth
 1973-74 Derek Smith

April 1974 John E. B. Singleton
 1974-75 Tom Edward Hall
 1975-76 Doris Birdsall, CBE, MA (Hon), LHD
 1976-77 Frank Hillam
 1977-78 Paul Hockney
 1978-79 Arthur F. Trigg
 1979-80 John S. Senior
 1980-81 Arnold Lightowler
 1981-82 Daniel C. Coughlin
 1982-83 Joan Lightband
 1983-84 Norman Free
 1984-85 Olive Messer
 1985-86 Mohammed Ajeeb
 1986-87 William Arthur Nunn
 1987-88 Laurie C. Coughlin
 1988-89 Smith Midgley
 1989-90 George Hodgson
 1990-91 Ernest Saville
 1991-92 Sydney John Collard
 1992-93 Barry Kenneth Thorne
 1993-94 Robert Sowman
 1994-95 Danny Mangham
 1995-96 Marilyn Beeley
 1996-97 Gordon Mitchell
 1997-98 James Anthony (Tony) Cairns
 1998-99 Tony Miller
 1999-2000 Harry Mason
 2000-2001 John Stanley King
 2001-2002 Ghazanfer Khaliq
 2002-2003 Richard E. J. Wightman
 2003-2004 Allan Irving Hillary
 2004-2005 Irene Ellison-Wood

2005-2006	Valerie Binney
2006-2007	Choudhary Rangzeb
2007-2008	Robin Owens
2008-2009	Howard Middleton
2009-2010	John D Godward

1923-25	Percy Louis Carroll
1925-28	Arthur Greenwood
1928-29	Harry Robinson
1929-30	Amos Copley
1930-31	Percy Louis Carroll
1931-32	Joseph Denby
1932-34	Henry Edgar Sucksmith
1934-36	William Hill
1936-37	Clifford Dewhirst
1937-38	Joseph Denby
1938-39	Harry Baker Robinson
1939-41	William Milner
1941-42	George Henry Copley
1942-43	Arthur Blewitt
1943-44	Charles Knipe
1944-45	William Booth
1945-46	David Vincent Scholes
1946-48	William James Robinson
1948-49	Clifford Dewhirst
1949-50	David Vincent Scholes
1950-51	William Booth
1951-52	Ambrose Theophilus Middleton Schofield
1952-53	Herbert Moore
1953-54	Percy Oates
1954-55	James Arthur Schofield
1955-56	Harold Oliver Griffiths
1956-57	Newton Clough
1957-58	Robert Hill
1958-59	L.P. Warne
1959-60	N. Woodhead
1960-61	J.B. Franks
1961-62	H. Chapman
1962-63	C. Dewhirst
1963-64	R.W. Bolton
1964-65	J.G. Hansen

Baildon Urban District Council

Chairmen of the Council
since its constitution

1895-96	Thomas Michael Holmes
1896-97	Oliver Firth
1897-98	William Holmes
1898-99	George Edward Robinson
1899-1901	George Camille Waud
1901-09	George Edward Robinson
1909-11	William Holmes
1911-12	Shaw Robinson
1912-13	Frederick Holmes
1913-14	Thomas Denbigh
1914-15	Riley Green
1915-16	William Henry Williams
1916-17	William Edward Rhodes
1917-18	Frederick William Whittaker
1918-19	Willie Jowett
1919-20	Frederick Holmes
1920-21	Percy Louis Carroll
1921-22	Joseph Bailey Jennings
1922-23	William Edward Rhodes

1965-66	J. Hicks
1966-67	F. Sanderson
1967-68	C. Pilkington
1968-69	F. Atkinson
1969-70	L. Robinson
1970-71	F. Clough
1971-72	C. Mountain
1972-73	A. Lightowler
1973-74	A.W. Booth

1914-15	Thomas Turner
1915-16	Harry Laycock
1916-17	J.H. Whitwam
1917-18	B. Garnett
1918-19	T.W. Smales
1919-20	T.W. Smales
1920-21	J.R. Leach
1921-22	T. Snowden, J.P.
1922-23	W. Rushton
1923-24	Major S. Moore, J.P.
1924-25	J. Metcalfe, J.P.
1925-26	C.A. Smith, J.P.
1926-27	J.W. Walker
1927-28	J.H. Whitley
1928-29	J. Whittingham
1929-30	W.M. Whitwam
1930-31	R. Mitchell
1931-32	F. Atkinson
1932-33	R.W. Addison
1933-34	A.R. Bentley
1934-35	W. Woodcock
1935-36	James Earnshaw
1936-37	David W. Suley
1937-38	Angus Jowett
1938-39	E. Ridsdale Park
1939-40	John Newhill
1940-41	J.W. Minnikin
1941-42	J.P. Keegan
1942-43	W.V. Eustace
1943-44	F. Ellison
1944-45	P. Stirk, J.P.
1945-46	B. Garnett
1946-47	N. Clarkson
1947-48	L. Grunwell

Bingley Urban District Council

Chairmen of the Council
since the amalgamation of
Bingley, Bingley Outer and Wilsden in 1898

1898-99	James Gatecliff
1899-1900	Alfred Hartley
1900-01	W.R. Atkinson
1901-02	J.T. Wildon
1902-03	John Barron
1903-04	Win. Suthers
1904-05	Geo. Towler
1905-06	Geo. W. Foster
1906-07	Wm. Hartley
1907-08	Samuel Rushforth
1908-09	W.R. Atkinson
1909-10	W.R. Nunns
1910-11	H.M. Dawson
1911-12	H.M. Dawson
1912-13	H.M. Dawson
1913-14	Jubal Barrett

1948-49	F. Shaw
1949-50	J. Wild
1950-51	A.R. Bentley
1951-52	H. Whitehead
1952-53	J.A. Brearley
1953-54	J.A. Flanagan
1954-55	Mrs M.P. Rycroft
1955-56	H. Pratt
1956-57	JR. Escritt, M.Sc.
1957-58	L. Hanson
1958-59	A.G. Moorhouse
1959-60	W.H. Penn
1960-61	L.O. Taylor
1961-62	M. Calvert
1962-63	L.H. Kershaw
1963-64	E.K. Eckersley
1964-65	J. Craven
1965-66	S.H. Cross
1966-67	P.R. Bootham
1967-68	K. Marshall
1968-69	E.T. Fox
1969-70	Mrs F.M. Davy
1970-71	L. Archer
1971-72	AG. Raistrick
1972-73	T.F. Shaw
1973-74	Mrs E. Hall

Ilkley Urban District Council

Chairmen

1894-95	John Beanlands
1895-96	John Beanlands

1896-97	William Hartley
1897-98	Thomas Horsman
1898-99	Jabez Dobson
1899-1900	Henry Ellis
1900-01	James C. Naylor
1901-02	Edward Fletcher
1902-03	John Thomas Jackson
1903-04	John William Benson
1904-05	John William Benson
1905-06	John William Dixon
1906-07	John Alfred Middlebrook
1907-08	James Crossley Barker
1908-09	James Crossley Barker
1909-10	Isaac Dean
1910-11	Joseph Dinsdale
1911-12	Isaac Dean
1912-13	Frederick Sagar Jackson
1913-14	Frederick Sagar Jackson
1914-15	William Dobson
1915-16	William Richard Bates
1916-17	William Prest
1917-18	William Prest
1918-19	James Blackader Bray
1919-20	Frederick Sagar Jackson
1920-21	John William Dixon
1921-22	John William Lund
1922-23	John William Dixon
1923-24	William Prest
1924-25	Henry Schofield
1925-26	William Rhodes
1926-27	Alfred Colbert
1927-28	Thomas Hubert Frith
1928-29	Thomas Hubert Frith
1929-30	George Mott
1930-31	Fred Sugden
1931-32	William Dobson
1932-33	Charles Frederick Pyett

1933-34	James Brown Whitfield
1934-35	Maurice Rowland Dobson
1935-36	Maurice Rowland Dobson
1936-37	Geoffrey Veale
1937-38	Ernest Waddilove
1938-39	Arthur Christian Voigt
1939-40	George Mennell
1940-41	James Edward Dykes
1941-42	Walter Harold Illingworth
1942-43	Henry Hargrave
1943-44	William Milnes
1944-45	William Milnes
1945-46	William Milnes
1946-47	James Ronald Phillips
1947-48	Florence Sarah Hampshire
1948-49	George William dough
1949-50	John William Rhodes
	Maurice Edric Midgley
1950-51	Maurice Edric Midgley
1951-52	Basil Aykroyd Smith
1952-53	Eric Wolfe
1953-54	John Hardy
1954-55	Fred Atkinson
1955-56	William Hill
1956-57	James Hulme Bowes
1957-58	Hylde Hawkins
1958-59	Leonard James Sarjeant
1959-60	Janet Lucille Ellicott
1960-61	Eddie Binns
1961-62	John Richard Armistead
1962-63	Eric Smith
1963-64	Owen Benjamin Moss
1964-65	Fred Atkinson
1965-66	James Melvin Shelton
1966-67	Hylde Hawkins
1967-68	Cohn Briggs Outtersides
1968-69	David Basil Marshall

1969-70	Raymond Phillip Bushell
1970-71	Arthur Francis James Marshall
1971-72	James Melvin Shelton
1972-73	Dale Smith
1973-74	Jack Spencer

Keighley Borough Council

The Mayoralty

Persons who have filled the office of Mayor since the Incorporation of the Borough

1882-83	Benjamin S. Brigg
1883-84	Richard L. Hattersley
1884-85	William Clough
1885-86	Edward D.A. Marriner
1886-87	Robert Holmes
1887-90	William Weatherhead
1890-93	Ira Ickringill
1893-94	Shem Paget
1894-95	John Dickinson
1895-96	Richard Edmondson
1896-98	R.N. Smith
1898-99	C.H. Foulds
1899-1902	Henry C. Longsdon
1902-03	Joseph Waterhouse
1903-04	William Clough
1904-05	John Smith
1905-07	John W. Smith
1907-08	Robert Clough
1908-09	James Wharton
1909-10	Richard Edmondson
1910-12	Samuel Clough

1912-16	William A. Brigg
1916-18	Frederick W.L. Butterfield
1918-20	Ferdinand N. Binns
1920-21	John W. Midgley
1921-22	James Longton
1922-23	Newman King
1923-25	Robert Calverley
1925-26	Arthur Smith
1926-27	Albert Smith
1927-28	William Bland
1928-29	Eli Murton
1929-30	James Berry
1930-31	Frederick Dickinson
1931-32	Michael P. Cryer
1932-33	David Rhodes
1933-34	Ernest Whalley
1934-35	Tom Broster
1935-36	John Henderson
1936-37	Thomas Wardle
1937-38	Wilfred Southwell
1938-39	Thomas Duerden
1939-40	John W. Wardle
1940-41	Joseph Denby
1941-42	William Waterhouse
1942-43	Tom Snowden
1943-44	Edgar Middleton
1944-45	J. Spencer Binns
1945-46	William Smith
	George H. Norton
1946-47	Arthur W. Tack
1947-49	J. Harold Wright
1949-50	George S. Mason
1950-51	Ernest Hutchinson
1951-52	David C. Hudson
1952-53	Robert W. Waterhouse
1953-54	James Procter
1954-55	Noel Johns

1955-56	Percy Taylor
1956-57	John A. Taylor
1957-58	William E. Walton
1958-59	John Binns
1959-60	Harry Hammond
1960-61	John S. Bell
1961 -62	James N. Welch
1962-63	Thomas Gallagher
1963-64	George W. Dale
1964-65	Joseph Nolan
1965-66	Frank Jeffrey
1966-67	Elsie M. Foulds
1967-68	Alan Greenwood
1968-69	James H. Waterworth
1969-70	John E. Brownbridge
1970-71	Jim Greenwood
1971-72	Sydney Bancroft
1972-73	William A. Proom
1973-74	G.B. Welham

Queensbury Urban District Council

Chairmen

1894	John Sherwin
1895-96	James Ackroyd
1896-97	Joseph Stocks
1897-98	Arthur Hainsworth
1898-99	Isaac Whiteley
1899-1900	Arthur Bairstow
1900-01	Herbert A. Foster
1901-02	Herbert A. Foster
1902-03	Herbert A. Foster
1903-04	Herbert A. Foster
1904-05	Herbert A. Foster

1905-06 Herbert A. Foster
 1906-07 Herbert A. Foster
 1907-08 Herbert A. Foster
 1908-09 Dennis Carter
 1909-10 Briggs Hainsworth
 1910-11 John W. Briggs
 1911-12 R.A. Drake
 1912-13 Edwin Waugh
 1913-14 Samuel Balmforth
 1914-15 James Chatburn
 1915-16 William H. Midgley
 1916-17 Walter Riley
 1917-18 John Hartley
 1918-19 Arthur Bairstow
 1919-20 Robert L. Foster
 1920-21 Walter Riley
 1921 -22 Harry Gledhill
 1922-23 Harry Gledhill
 1923-24 James H. Smith
 1924-25 James Balmforth
 1925-26 Arthur R. Burniston
 1926-27 Harry Gledhill
 1927-28 James Balmforth
 1928-29 Joseph Grey
 1929-30 Percy Carling
 1930-31 Ralph Lightowler
 1931 -32 Ralph Lightowler
 1932-33 Ralph Lightowler
 1933-34 Ralph Lightowler
 1934-35 Ralph Lightowler
 1935-36 Ralph Lightowler
 1936-37 Ralph Lightowler

March 1937 Queensbury Urban District Council amalgamated with Shelf Urban District Council to form **Queensbury and Shelf Urban District Council**

1937-38 Ralph Lightowler
 1938-39 W. Farrar
 1939-40 W. Farrar
 1940-41 A. Harrison
 1941-42 J.H. Moore
 1942-43 H. Petty
 1943-44 H. Pickles
 1944-45 Mrs M.A. Barraclough, M.B.E.
 1945-46 Walter R. Bairstow
 1946-47 J.H. Moore
 1947-48 J.H. Moore
 1948-49 W. Farrar
 1949-50 J. Smith
 1950-51 J. Smith
 1951-52 Mrs M.E. McCreath
 1952-53 W.S. Smith
 1953-54 L. Ashworth
 1954-55 H.E. Nichols
 1955-56 J.H. Moore
 1956-57 J.H. Chatburn
 1957-58 E. Sutcliffe
 1958-59 H.E. Nichols
 1959-60 A. Ashworth
 1960-61 F.W. Pohlmann
 1961 -62 R. Harling
 1962-63 R. Goodwin
 1963-64 L. Woodhead
 1964-65 F.W. Pohlmann
 1965-66 J.T. Roberts
 1966-67 R. Goodwin
 1967-68 E. Sutcliffe
 1968-69 J.H. Chatburn
 1969-70 M. Cookland
 1970-71 Mrs I. Craven
 1971-72 H. Crowther
 1972-73 J. Bradley
 1973-74 Harold S. Bolton

Shibley Urban District Council

Chairmen of the Council From January, 1895

1895-1904	Charles Brook Shaw
1904-07	Sir James Roberts, Bt., J.P.
1907-11	John Pitts
1911-12	Exelby Reynolds
1912-19	Thomas Hill, J.P., O.B.E.
1919-20	Henry Hirst
1920-23	Fred Fearnley Rhodes, J.P.
1923-24	George Birbeck
1924-25	Fred Fearnley Rhodes, J.P.
1925-27	Edwin Cowgill
1927-29	Victor Waddilove
1929-30	Albert Ernest Horne, J.P.
1930-31	Thomas John Gray, J.P.
1931-32	Clifford Cawthorne
1932-34	Gordon Waddilove
1934-35	Arthur William Robson
1935-36	William Smith Tinsley
1936-37	Victor Waddilove
1937-38	George Birbeck
1938-39	John Chippindale, J.P.
1939-42	Albert Ernest Horne, J.P.
1942-43	Thomas John Gray, J.P.
1943-45	Charles Malcolm Smith, J.P.
1945-46	Samuel Derbyshire, J.P.

1946-47	John Lancaster, J.P.
1947-48	Albert Edward Roberts, J.P.
1948-49	Benjamin Cromack, D.S.M.
1949-50	William Henry Bannister
1950-51	Arthur Butterfield
1951-52	Clarence Albert Richardson
1952-53	Mrs Alice Woodcock
1953-54	Gordon Waddilove
1954-Aug. 1955	Oliver Brook Raistrick
Sept. 1955-1957	Frank Thornton, J.P.
1957-58	Alfred Stanley Geo. Rodway
1958-59	Harry Easy
1959-60	Joseph Clifford Padgett
1960-61	Albert Swift
1961-62	Thomas William Warburton, O.B.E., J.P.
1962-63	Thomas Ellison Hainsworth
1963-64	Thomas Martin Duggan
1964-65	Arthur Butterfield
1965-66	George Arthur Shaw
1966-67	Jack King
1967-68	Raymond Clapham
1968-69	Robert Martin
1969-70	Thomas Martin Duggan
1970-71	Frank Thornton, M.B.E., J.P.
1971-72	Mrs Joanna Bowron Evans
1972-73	Eric Alfred Armitage
1973-74	Eric Wade Pearson

Silsden Urban District Council

Chairmen

1895-1905	Charles Weatherhead
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1905-1914	Tom Fletcher
1914-1918	Frank Driver
1918-1922	William Easnett
1922-1925	Joseph Tunnicliffe
1925-1932	Albert Wilson
1932-1935	Fergus Green
1935-1937	Herbert Wilkinson
1937-1940	C.T. Fletcher
1940-1943	Horace Fortune
1943-1946	Henry Wellock
1946-1949	G. William Smith
1949-1952	Horace Fortune
1952-1955	Arthur Watson
1955-1958	Mrs Nellie Fortune
1958-1959	Alfred B. Green
1959-1962	John J. Barker
1962-1963	James E. Marsh
1963-1966	Miss Catherine Herbert
1966-1967	Bertram S. Mole
1967-1968	Harold Kellett
1968-1969	Bernard Emmott
1969-1970	Thomas Hayes
1970-1 971	William F. Cathey
1971 -1 972	John J. Barker
1972-1 973	Mrs D. Robinson
1973-1974	E.H.V. Robinson

1947-1950	Wright Snowden, J.P.
1950-1953	Joe Watson, J.P.
1953-1956	Harfield Henry Edmonds
1956-1959	Charlie Nuttall
1959-1961	Denis Ewart Riddiough, T.D., J.P.
1961-1962	Annie Taylor, J.P.
1962-1963	Robert Hagley
1963-1964	Robert Thackray Swales
1964-1965	Ernest Cumberland
1965-1966	Maurice Cleaver
1966-1967	William Dawson
1967-1968	Thomas Carter
1968-1969	Evelyn Elizabeth Markham
1969-1970	William Stockdale
1970-1971	John Keith Lockyer, B.Ch.D., L.D.S.
1971-1972	Richard Arthur Stockdale, B.Sc., (Agr.)
1972-1973	William Henry Spinks
1973-1974	Robert Leslie Fryers

Skipton Rural District Council

Chairmen of the Council since formation

1894-1941	John Arthur Slingsby, J.P.
1941-1944	George Sugden Green, J.P.
1944-1947	Harry Riddiough, J.P.

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