

Friends of Brighouse Station

Bringing new life to Brighouse Station

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News From Brighouse Station September 2025

If you haven't been to Brighouse station lately now is the time to go and have a look! or even catch a train. The present station opened in May 2000 and has been celebrating 25 years of use this year. The station has had a complete repaint and modernisation making it fit for the twenty first century. The new work includes CCTV equipment and floodlighting, up to date electronic train time arrival and departure screens, major repainting and repairs to the steps, ramps and railings. A redesign of the car park and yellow line markings for both platforms have been painted. Space has been made for rail replacement buses which will be using the car park over the coming months when Huddersfield station will be closed 1 month during September and again in late December for the Transpennine Route Upgrade as Huddersfield station has a major refurbishment. The work at Brighouse Station commenced in June and was finished as scheduled at the end of August.

All the contractors worked very hard to reduce the disruption to the public and volunteers.



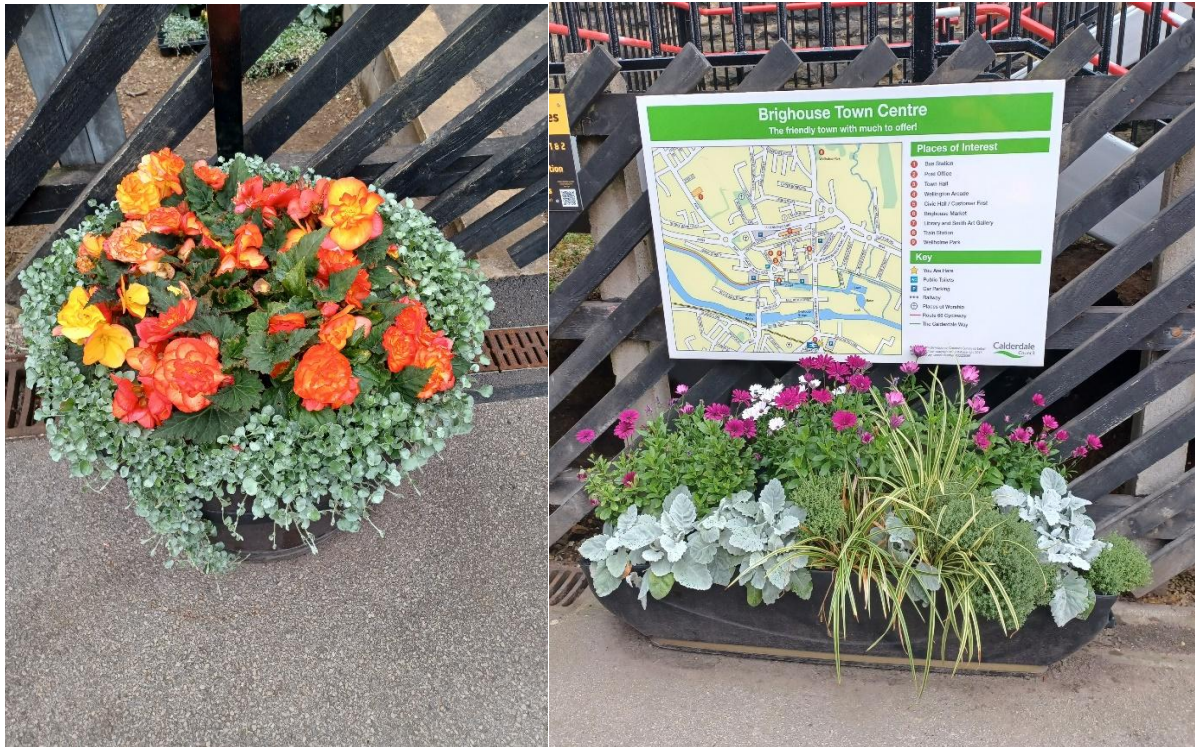
Our hardworking volunteers have been looking after the plant displays throughout the summer which are looking magnificent despite the heatwaves. The border plants and Climate Change Garden area are now well established and are producing magnificent floral displays attracting lots of bees and butterflies which have thrived during the summer months.



As Brighouse

station will be used by many more people due to rail replacement buses using the station, footfall should increase dramatically and more people should see the sponsorship plaques around the station. We still have several fence planters and barrels available to sponsor on both platforms for the 2026 season.

If any person or company would like to sponsor our magnificent planters which usually flower winter and summer please go to our website and click on contact us. We need details before January 2026 so there will be time to order your individual plaque.



Looking ahead to our autumn and winter displays the new plug plants were ordered earlier in the year and have been potted up ready for flowering from late October until May next year. Varieties include Bellis Daisies, Viola and fragrant Winter flowering Wallflowers.

Autumn Planting Dates

We have provisional planting dates for the autumn plant changeover as October 13th 14th 15th. If anyone would like to volunteer to lend us a hand on any of those dates, please let me know. The planting sessions normally last around 2 hours 9.30 to 11.30.

Finally,

Our New Station History Boards.

When some fences had to be removed to widen Platform 2 and make way for new steps on platform 1 we had to take down some of the history boards. It is planned to re-position them in the near future.

We have had four new history boards designed and laminated depicting the closure of the old station on January 3rd 1970 and the opening of the new station in May 2000. They are made up from press cuttings of the time, most of which are no longer available to the public.

A huge thank you for all those who time spent working on the website and our sponsor, The Calder Valley Community Rail Partnership for sponsoring the new boards which took many hours to compile. Earlier in the year we had two 1970 British Rail timetables made up from an original timetable which I saved from the day of the old station closure. It is hoped to display these at the same time.

Another huge thank you to everyone who has helped at the station during this summer of upheaval. I think you will agree that it has all been worthwhile and the work at the station will encourage many more visitors.

Paul Marshall

Chairman Friends of Brighouse Station.

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