

the following estates of private housing were constructed :

Aberford Road : block of houses . 1980's. Started by Richard Walker of Castleford ; after his bankruptcy completed by Claxton & Gambol .

Almshouse Hill / Crag Gardens : 1968 . Kettlewell of Boston Spa .

Bradford Close : 1995 . Arncliffe [The only allowed brick built estate in this period , to tone in with the Council block already in existence.]

Church Meadows : 1994 .

Fine Garth Close : 1980 's Erkulis.

Firbeck Road :
1) c1970 : Sissons.
2) 1996 : Consort Homes.
3) 1999 : Auckley Homes.

[Before each phase of building , but especially before the latter two, much protest was made , by villagers and the parish council , who tried to persuade Leeds MDC not to allow the construction of houses on land which had traditionally acted as a flood plain for the Beck. Despite such local , knowledgeable protest , permission was given , with assurances that modern methods , including deep pile driving and superior foundation work , would eliminate the problem. Nothing was learned , it seemed , from the fact that some of the original phase housing was , by the late 90 's , suffering from subsidence. In fact , around the very time permissions were granted for second and third phase housing [both to be *nearer* the Beck] , several houses at the Clifford end of Firbeck had to have substantial rebuilding of their foundations, while sewerage was being forced to the surface in some gardens .]

Freely Lane: 2001 Kebbel Homes [the first £400 K ' ordinary ' houses.

Folly Lane : 1) 1973 : Richard Walker [as Aberford Road , above].
2) 1995 : Wild Bennett.

Low Way : 11.94 -- 7.95 : Consort Homes.

Milnthorpe : 1994 - 5 : Redrow Homes .

[This estate was often referred to as " Legoland ", owing partly to its appearance , partly to older villagers ' resentment at the fact that the land here had originally been given to the village by the Lane Fox family , for recreational purposes. Unfortunately , the generous gift was not properly recorded , and the land was sold by a later generation for building.]

The slightly older houses beyond Milnthorpe Farm were built by Kettlewell of Boston Spa in the 1980 's.

The Miln [2002] on ' Pogy Lane' completed this estate.

Prospect Bank : 1968 - 9 : Ryedale Homes of Malton [see separate note].

Tay Homes [Lyndon , Orchard , The Knoll] : early 1990 's : Tay Homes.

For a number of years , Leeds MDC tried to sell the Bramham House land on Freely Lane for building , whilst the Rhodes family sought permission to build on the Woodyard. Both projects were close to receiving the go - ahead in 2003 , and can be expected to make Bramham considerably larger . Once they are built , there being virtually no land left to develop within the village itself , expect Leeds to engineer permissions for development along the A1[M] corridor ; on the land between Bramham and Clifford ; with , once again , the spectre of a Headley new town on University Farm and Lane Fox land.

Apart from the new estates , the building of single infill houses , and small groups of houses , took place throughout this period , so that Bramham became ever more a small suburban dormitory in a rural setting.