

Bredon, Bredon's Norton and Westmancote Parish Council

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Neighbourhood Plan Referendum

The Bredon Parish Neighbourhood Plan will be put to the people of Bredon Parish in a referendum to be held on **Thursday 8th June**. Voting will take place throughout the day in the same way as it does in government elections. If approved by more than half of those voting, the plan will become a key part of the planning system which regulates new building in the parish up until 2030. The plan itself, along with further details about the referendum, can be seen at www.wychavon.gov.uk/bredon-bredons-norton-and-westmancote-neighbourhood-plan.

The plan will not prevent the new homes from being built which are needed. Around 125 new homes are expected across the parish during the lifetime of the plan, including a proportion of affordable homes for local people. But it will help to ensure that development is steered in the direction that most local residents want, and will act as a check on developers whose sole focus is maximising returns at the expense of the special qualities of the parish.

Development should mean change for the better. It should also mean providing homes for people to live, unlocking economic prosperity, responding to new technologies, looking after the environment and historic buildings, as well as ensuring that people have good access to healthcare, education, transport and other essential services. The plan will help to achieve all of this, and ensure that Bredon in 2030 is an even better place to live.

New Homes Bonus Reminder

The deadline for applications is the **End of May**. Please contact the clerk for more information and an application form.

Bredon Ward Profile

Please find some really interesting up to date information on our ward. It provides an overview of the ward's population, housing, economy, education and skills, health, crime and deprivation to help increase understanding about the ward and its residents. Go to www.wychavon.gov.uk/ward-profiles and select "Bredon".

A46 Consultation Survey

There is an online survey at www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/6DZ7N. It takes a maximum of 3 minutes to complete. The key question from Bredon's point of view is Q3, asking where a new junction should be located. It would be helpful, obviously, if as many people as possible say that a new junction north of Tewkesbury is their least favoured option. I would have thought that the new junction south of Tewkesbury (replacing Junction 9) would be in Bredon's best interests.

New Clerk - Tim Drew

Born in Cheltenham and spent early life in Tewkesbury; moved to Bredon in 1984.

Married to Sue with 2 grown up children and 4 grandchildren.

Early working life in business development within aviation and oil industries. Latter career in facilities management roles in the telecommunications and security sectors. Was a Bredon Parish Councillor from 1987 to 1991 and also served as Vice Chairman and Treasurer of Bredon Football Club.

Hobbies include most sports (follows Gloucester Rugby and Cheltenham Town FC), reading crime and thriller fiction and 70's progressive rock.



Planning Applications

The Parish Council's role is only advisory. For more details, please refer to www.wychavon.gov.uk.

For consideration by Wychavon:

W/17/00249 - Mitton Lodge, Tewkesbury Road, Bredons Hardwick. Notification for prior approval for a proposed change of use of a building from office to a dwelling house (Class C3). PC has made general comments.

W/17/00348 - 34 Bredon Lodge, Bredon. Replacement windows and doors. PC has made general comments.

W/17/00218 - 22 The Dell, Bredon. New front garage and bedroom extension. PC has made general comments.

W/17/00526 - St Ives, Chapel Lane, Westmancote. Reconstruction of front dormer. New Porch to front elevation. First Floor rear extension. Internal alterations. PC has made general comments.

W/17/00450 - The Old Rectory, Church Street, Bredon. Retrospective consent for replacing concrete tiles in the kitchen and utility room with natural limestone tiles and the construction of a storm porch over the back door - carried out in 2005. PC has made general comments.

W/17/00521 - Barns Close, Main Road, Bredon. Erection of a single storey rear extension - as approved under permission ref no. W/16/02800/PP but without compliance with condition no. 3 (to amend list of approved plans). PC has made general comments.

Date of Next Meetings :

Monthly Parish Council

Monday 8th May

takes place in Bredon Village Hall at 7:15pm