Bredon, Bredon's Norton and Westmancote Parish Council

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The Police and Crime Commissioner, John Campion, visited the last Bredon Parish Council meeting, which took place on Monday 12th February.

The Q&A session lasted 45 minutes and lots of topics were discussed, including burglaries, speeding and traffic calming. If you couldn't attend, but would like to ask the Commissioner any questions or give him any feedback, then please contact him:

Email : opcc@westmercia.pnn.police.uk

Tel: 01905 331656

Village Hall Improvements

After months of trying to find a tradesman willing to take on the job of painting the outside of the Village Hall, we can announce that work will commence on 5th March. We look forward to the results.

Also in the near future, new doors will be installed to replace the old worn out doors (Front doors and fire exit doors).

Road Closure in Bredons Norton

Temporary Closure Order: to close that part of U46203 Manor Lane, Bredons Norton from its junction with U46201 Brookfield Lane to its junction with U46206 Lampitt Lane in order to facilitate sewer connection works by Western Power.

Exemptions: to permit access to any land or premises fronting the highway affected where there is no other form of access; and to allow the works to be undertaken.

Alternative route: U46201 Manor Lane and vice versa. Anticipated duration: **12 days** Commencing: **12 March 2018**.

Hedge Restoration along Tewkesbury Rd

The Parish Council, in cooperation with the County Council, are planning to undertake the restoration of the hawthorn hedges either side of the Bredons Hardwick to Tewkesbury road (B4080). These much-loved landscape features belong to the County Council who planted them following a road widening scheme. Unfortunately, the county does not have the resources to manage them and they are starting to thin out and die back.

Unless they are pruned and rejuvenated, they will be lost as a landscape feature, and so the parish has agreed to step in. The pruning will look somewhat drastic at first, but the hedges should soon recover and thicken out. Once they are back in good heart, they will be trimmed every 3 or 4 years with a hedge cutter, which will allow them to blossom in most years.

Police report

The Police reported 6 crimes for January:-

These were 3 Burglaries on 01/02/2018, Bredon, Bredons Norton and Bredons Hardwick – Investigations currently in place; 1 theft of metal on 14/01/2018 in Bredons Hardwick; 1 Burglary on 20/01/2018 in Bredon; 1 theft of vehicle from Bredon from the owner's drive without keys.

The local team advise keeping lights on a timer when going out of an evening, and before returning home of an evening. If the Parish have anything to raise please contact: Steven Tinkler, Police Community Support Officer, Pershore Rural North and Rural South.

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Planning Applications

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

For consideration by Wychavon:

W/18/00180/HP - 34 Blenheim Drive, Bredon. Proposed side extension, new porch and rear extension. PC has made general comments.

W/17/02447/HP & W/17/01449/ LB - 2 Avondale Cottages, Church Street, Bredon. New wall within garden together with the reinstatement of front garden wall with traditional dry stone wall incorporating 'cock and hen' coping stones. PC has made general comments.

W/18/00138/HP - 74 Blenheim Drive, Bredon. Garage conversion and rear extension. PC has made general comments.

W/17/02589/HP - Woodlands, Eckington Road, Bredon. Raise existing roof over lounge by 1.5m forming new bedroom and en-suite. Install two new dormer windows and a Velux roof light. Construct new timber frame double garage. PC objects to the garage (not the addition of a second storey).

Date of Next Meeting:

Monday 12th March takes place in Bredon Village Hall at 7:15pm

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