

Bredon, Bredon's Norton and Westmancote Parish Council

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Chairman resigns

After giving the matter considerable thought, Ian Rowland-Hill has resigned from the Parish Council due to reasons connected with his declining health and irreversible hearing impairment. The council would like to thank Ian for all his hard work and commitment, especially as Chairman, and send their best wishes and prayers.

Nick Bradley has been elected as temporary Chairman until the elections in May.

Parish Election - Candidate seminars

Wychavon District Council is holding a Parish Council candidate's seminar on 28th February at 6:15pm in the Civic Centre Pershore, ahead of the May elections. These sessions will provide useful information and cover the nomination process.

The notice of election will be published on 22nd March and nominations must be received (by hand at the Civic Centre, Pershore) by 4pm on 3rd April. Nomination forms will be available at the seminar.

Guidance on the nomination process can be found on the Electoral Commissions website at www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/candidate-or-agent/parish-and-community-council-elections-in-england-and-wales. Please contact the Clerk if you need assistance, and look out for posters on the Noticeboards.

Police Report

The police have reviewed all of the crimes for Bredon since the beginning of October and there has been:-

- 1 shed break and 1 theft from stables.
- 2 thefts of a vehicle, 2 thefts from a vehicle & 1 stolen dune buggy.
- 1 theft of number plates.
- 2 thefts of power tools and batteries from an allotment.
- 8 residential burglaries (includes one in Kinsham) (7 for the same period last year)

Bredon and the surrounding villages to the south of Bredon Hill are always susceptible in the Autumn & Winter hence the police increase patrols in the area and carry these out at least once a day. The border with Glospol and the location of Bredon to nearby main roads and the M5 is a problem as the offenders can be across the border in a matter of minutes. The police regularly liaise with local Safer Neighbourhood Team's from Glospol and share information relating to any incidents as they suffer from the same problem and are also very prone to burglaries and thefts which increase once the clocks change and the evenings get darker earlier.

Please see the article, in this magazine, on **Smartwater** (property marking) which the Parish Council has purchased through a scheme run by the PCC and this will be available **free to all residents** in the Parish from February onwards.

Defibrillator & Telephone Kiosk Project Updates

The latest update on the Defibrillator project is:-

- A new defibrillator has been installed at the Cricket Club.
- 2 more defibrillators are ready to be installed at The Cross Keys pub in Bredons Hardwick and Bredon Nortons Village Hall.
- We are waiting for the electricity to be reconnected in the Kinsham telephone kiosk, although the defibrillator has been installed and is active.

The latest update on the Telephone Kiosks:-

- A new door has been fitted to the kiosk at Lower Westmancote.
- We have a supply of paint, but are waiting for the weather to improve before we redecorate all the kiosks we own.

If you have any ideas on uses for the remaining telephone kiosks, please contact the Clerk with more details.



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/18/02473 - Edscote, Lower Lane, Bredon's Norton. Single Storey side/rear extension. PC has no objections, subject to the comments of the conservation officer.

W/18/02489 - 1 Fairview Cottages, Westmancote. New single storey rear extension. PC has no objections, subject to the comments of the conservation officer.

Date of Next Meeting(s):

Monthly Meeting

Monday 11th February
takes place in Bredon
Village Hall at **7:15pm**

