

Bredon and Bredon's Norton Parish Council

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Queensmead Footway Adoption

There have been quite a lot of residents raising issues with the footways in Queensmead. Councillor Adrian Hardman informed us that the section of footway which runs in front of the houses, along the Main Road, by the large section of grass, has been adopted by Worcestershire County Council. It is likely that any maintenance work will not occur until the next financial year.

The County Council will be resurfacing the section of footway by the entrance to Queensmead, as you enter the estate from Cheltenham Road, next year as well.

Bredon's Norton Drainage Issues

Councillor Adrian Hardman reported that the flooding by Bredon's Norton Village Hall was caused by a broken gully, which he is trying to get moved up the list as a priority. In addition, a new pipe is going to be installed to resolve the problems with flooding around Oak Tree Place.

New Councillor Required

Lots of residents care about where they live, we can tell that from all the messages posted on the Bredon Parish Noticeboard.

Being a Parish Councillor is a great opportunity to work for the community, to help decide how to meet the concerns of residents and what is best for the Parish. It is a very varied role and can be extremely rewarding.

If you love your local area, care about the future of our community, and would like to be part of the process, then please speak to any of our current Councillors or contact the clerk. All applications must be received by the end of November.

Bridge to Nowhere - Increased Traffic

Tewkesbury Borough Council has submitted its own planning application to build a new bridge over the railway north of Northway in the area marked red on the map. The purpose of the bridge is to unlock land north of Ashchurch Camp for 1000+ houses, by removing safety objections to the existing crossing. However, funding for connecting roads has not been secured and there is a significant likelihood that a large amount public money will be spent on a 'Bridge to Nowhere'

The Parish Council strongly objects to the proposal on highway safety, road congestion and landscape grounds. Traffic from the new development will either add to the dangerous congestion on the A46 at Ashchurch, or else be channelled through the severely restricted roads in Bredon and neighbouring villages. The new bridge will be the height of 3 double decker buses and will be an eyesore from the AONB.

You can view the application by visiting:- <https://publicaccess.tewkesbury.gov.uk/online-applications/> and searching for application reference '20/00896/FUL'. The Parish Council urges parishioners to respond to the planning application **before 3rd November**, either via the website, writing to the Planning Department at Tewkesbury Borough Council, Council Offices, Tewkesbury Road, Tewkesbury, Glos GL20 5TT or by emailing comments directly to developmentapplications@tewkesbury.gov.uk quoting the application reference. The Parish Council's own objection and information leaflet will be posted on its website and social media pages.



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/20/01604 - 3 Back Lane, Bredon. Two storey extension.
PC has asked for a time extension.

Date of Next Meeting:

Monthly Parish Council
Monday 9th November
at 7:15pm

This meeting will take place virtually, please contact the Clerk for access to this meeting.

