

Bredon and Bredon's Norton Parish Council

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Christmas Tree Sponsorship

If there are any businesses who would like to sponsor the Bredon Parish Christmas Tree, which will be located outside Bredon Village Hall, then please contact the Parish Clerk (details at the bottom of this page). Any donations will be used towards supplies and running costs.

Glebe Field Biodiversity Project

In late September, blessed with a gorgeous sunny weekend, a small group of volunteers worked long and hard to get the next stage of the Biodiversity Enhancement project, on the Parish Council owned Glebe Field, completed before the winter sets in.

We would like to thank our 2 experienced drivers, Digger Dave and Dumper Truck Darren, who both gave up their weekends, even though driving large vehicles is their day job, to help with degrading the field.

After previous attempts failed, we were advised by the experts, Worcestershire Wildlife Trust, to degrade the field after years of being fertilized by sheep droppings. They advised we remove the grass and a small layer of the fertile topsoil, before sowing the wildflower seed mix.

On the Saturday, both Dave Jordan and Juliet Shiels spent hours continuing the good work started by Simon Rex (who was poorly that weekend), removing the weeds, and clearing the bee bank; we didn't want certain weeds (thistles, bindweed & nettles) taking over the site thereby enhancing the diversity of wildflowers.

Project Manager, Councillor Declan Shiels, spent most of the day using the flail mower to cut back the long grass that during the pandemic had taken over patches of the field. Tony and Lynne Wood turned up later that day to lay more turf on the hedgehog house (hibernacula) and rake up the grass cuttings in the safe exclusion zones away from the machinery.

The following day, Alastair and Annie arrived with a petrol strimmer. After checking with Alastair if he felt comfortable cutting back the edges around the perimeter wall, as there had been some complaints from residents; he spent 3 hours doing a fantastic job. His daughter Annie, had the boring job of raking more of the grass cuttings, making sure to walk the safe risk free route, away from the machinery, to the compost heap.

Amazingly, both Tony and Lynne returned to perform more raking, and to help tidy up the perimeter wall, before helping sow the seeds after the machinery had finished for the weekend.

Over the winter hopefully the seeds will grow, and then more weeding will be required by volunteers. Please join the Bredon Rewilding Facebook group or contact declan.shiels@bredonpc.org.uk if you would like to help



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/21/02101 - The Lawns, Tewkesbury Road, Bredon's Hardwick. Erection of garden shed. **PC has no objections.**

W/21/02246 - Greenhayes, Farm Lane, Westmancote. Erection of single storey garden room/outbuilding. **PC has made general comments see Wychavon website for details.**

Date of Next Meeting: Monthly Parish Council

Monday 8th November

takes place in Bredon
Village Hall at **7:15pm**