

Bredon and Bredon's Norton Parish Council

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Police event a roaring success

We would like to thank all those who attended the public meeting on 11th September with John Campion, West Mercia Police and Crime commissioner, and Brian Gibbs, the Chief Inspector for South Worcestershire Safer Neighbourhood team. Also attending was Adrian Hardman, County Councillor, along with the Parish Council chair, and the Parish Councillor for police liaison.

With over 80 people in attendance the debate was lively with some tough questions for both the Commissioner and Chief Inspector. Topics included, speeding and reckless driving, anti-social behaviour, fly tipping, and more serious crimes such as burglary and intimidation.

The commissioner advised that one of his priorities was to see a reduction in and better response times for victims of domestic violence. He also reminded us that West Mercia still has some of the lowest overall crime figures in the country.

We were reminded that the best way to keep up with news about general policing in our area is to sign up to the 'Neighbourhood Matters' scheme:-

<https://www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk/>

- To report a non urgent event contact 101
- To report a more serious crime or emergency call 999
- To report a crime on line go to

<https://www.westmercia.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/>

Tewkesbury Garden Town & Mitton Bank

We just wanted to make parishioners aware that both these housing developments, the Tewkesbury Garden Town, and Mitton Bank, are still very much active. The parish council continues to work tirelessly in the background on both issues, seeking to minimise the harms that these developments would bring to the lives of parishioners. Watch this space, and keep an eye out on social media for any actions we recommend.

Bredon Christmas Tree

Keep an eye out for the community Christmas Tree appearing outside Bredon Village Hall. Thank you to Tewkesbury Garden Centre for donating the tree.

Improvements to Village Hall Kitchen

The kitchen in Bredon Village Hall has had refurb. This includes new units; new worksurfaces; new white goods and lights. The Kitchen is freely available to all users for making tea, coffee, etc. If you wanted private use when making an online booking (www.bredonvillagehall.org.uk), you must add a note to the 'Special Requirements' box informing them you require exclusive use of the Kitchen, (it then becomes chargeable) or you can discuss usage with the Hall Manager. (01684 772761).

Warm Welcome Space Returns



After the success of last winter's warm welcome events, it is returning for this winter. Taking place, in Bredon Village Hall, every **1st Thursday** of the month will be a free hot meal, provided by local caterers (12:30-2pm); and a hot drinks café every **3rd Thursday** of the month (11-1pm). Transport is available if required. Christmas Special - On the 7th December the school choir will be entertaining at 1pm after the food (fish and chips) has been served.



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/23/01097 - The Causeway, Malthouse Lane, Bredon. Addition of a two-storey front gable, two-storey side and rear extensions and alterations to dwelling. **The PC will seek amendments. This application is problematic in terms of both scale and impact on heritage assets. The current plans impact neighbouring listed buildings and the Conservation Area, and do not comply with the Neighbourhood Plan or the local plan.**

W/23/01952 - Manor Farm Bungalow, Farm Lane, Westmancote. Erection of a single detached dwelling with detached car port on land to the east of Manor Farm Bungalow. **The PC has no objection. Although in the ANOB, there are no justifiable policy and planning reasons for refusal.**

Date of Next Meeting(s):

Monthly Parish Council

Monday 11th December

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Monday 8th January

takes place in Bredon Village Hall at 7pm.