Bredon and Bredon's Norton Parish Council

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Garden Town A46 Update

Gloucestershire County Council (GCC) has been considering undertaking a non-statutory public consultation for the M5 Junction 9 and A46 (Ashchurch) Transport Scheme. They have been reviewing the shortlist of scheme options and undertaken additional analysis to inform decision making. This work is ongoing. A non-statutory public consultation is now unlikely to take place until after a general election, which is expected later this year.

The M5 Junction 9 and A46 (Ashchurch) Transport Scheme is a proposal to develop a new or reconfigured M5 junction near Tewkesbury and re-route the existing A46 around Ashchurch to Teddington Hands roundabout. A wide variety of route options are currently being considered and technically assessed for suitability. The Council will share as soon as we know more.

Various Updates discussed in May's meeting

Chairman Re-elected - Our current Chairman, Nick Bradley, as been reelected for another year. Thank you Nick from all the Council for your hard work and commitment.

540 Bus Service - if you haven't heard, Astons Coaches have decided to no longer run this service from Tewkesbury to Evesham. Their contract expires on 20th June. Worcestershire County Council has already sent out the tender to find a replacement operator.

Eckington Bridge - our district Councillor, Adrian Hardman, met with our local MP, Harriet Baldwin, on location to explain how the causeway floods and cuts off the route to Pershore. He explained the options to resolving this frequent disruption to our transport network.

National Defibrillator Database - Our 8 Parish defibrillators are already on the Community Heartbeat Trust database (https://www.nddb.uk) and have now also been added to the British Heart Foundation database (https://www.defibfinder.uk). Please familiarise yourself with the locations so you know where to go in an emergency, however the Ambulance Service will tell you when you call 999.

Playing Field maintenance dates agreed - The contractor responsible for installing the new fence around the toddler playing area, has agreed to start work on 18th June, and it should take between 1-2 weeks to complete. They will use a few car parking spaces at the far end of the car park to store their machinery. Please be patient and avoid the construction area over this period. Thank you to BCPR and Cllr Colin Davidson for all their help in getting this resolved before the summer holiday.

Warm Welcome Events for June

June's Warm Welcome event is as follows, in Bredon Village Hall:-

• Warm Drink - **Thursday 20th June** 10:30 - 12pm Everyone welcome to join for pleasant company. Transport is available.

Planning Applications continued...

W/23/01605 - Westmancote Nurseries, Kemerton Road, Bredon. The PC Objects. Confusion over various submitted documents which are not coherent and require clarity. Non -compliance with the Neighbourhood Gap (to prevent Bredon & Westmancote merging) in the Neighbourhood Plan and several issues relating to Highways, Sewage and Ecology (insufficient detail on local wildlife sites). A more detailed response was forwarded to Wychavon.



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. The PC Commented: In November 2023, amendments were requested and boundary comments from neighbours were to be considered. The proposal still does not go far enough in addressing these or some of the Conservation Officer's comments.

W/24/00657 - Willow Barn, Tewkesbury Road, Bredon's Hardwick. The PC has no objection, not aware of any planning grounds for refusal.

W/24/00724 - 2-3 Saunders Cottage, Cheltenham Road, Kinsham. The PC has no objection, subject to the comments of the Conservation Officer.

W/24/00504 - Round Bank House, Lampitt Lane, Bredon's Norton. The PC has no objection, subject to Planning Officer comments.

W/24/00690 - Land at (OS 9268 3732), Eckington Road, Bredon. The PC Objects. Non-compliance with Wychavon's existing and emerging policies and the Neighbourhood Plan. Highway should undertake a survey before any decision due to site accessibility and speed of traffic on the B4080.

Date of Next Meeting:

Monthly Parish Council

Monday 10th June takes place in Bredon Village Hall at **7pm.**

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