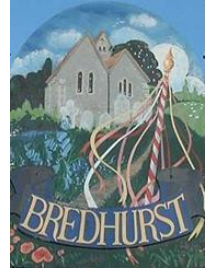


BREDHURST PARISH COUNCIL

**Councillors are hereby summoned to attend the
MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
AT BLACKSMITHS BARN
On Tuesday 21st January 2025 at 7.00pm**



Members of the public and press are invited to attend. Attendees may be filmed, recorded, or otherwise reported by anyone present. Unless advised otherwise, the council accepts no responsibility for data recorded in this way or its distribution. At the discretion of the Chair the meeting may be closed and then opened to the public for questions. Any items for further discussion will be placed on next month's agenda.

AGENDA

162. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs to receive apologies and, if reasons provided, consider approval.

163. Declarations of Interest

Cllrs to declare any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in matters to be considered on this agenda.

164. Motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting for all items in the Closed Session.

165. Minutes of 12th December 2024 Parish Council Meeting and Closed Session.

Cllrs to consider and approve.

166. Matters Arising (for information only)

To receive an update on action points from previous meeting.

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167. Police

a. To receive the monthly crime report and any other Police updates.

168. Community Playing Field

a. To receive Safeplay monthly reports for play areas.
b. Community Playing Field matters.

169. Blacksmiths Barn

a. To receive update on damaged road surface – Blacksmith Court.
b. Blacksmith Barn compliance pack update.
c. To review Blacksmith Barn Hire rates.
d. CCTV Upgrade – Update.
e. Blacksmith Barn matters.

170. Village Maintenance

a. Grounds Maintenance Contract
To **ratify** the Clerk's decision after clarifying the terms for invoicing with contractors 1 and 2 to proceed with Three Counties with effect 01-04-2025.
b. To consider commissioning a tree report for trees overhanging the allotments.
c. Village maintenance matters.

171. Planning

a. Lidsing Garden Development / Strategic Sites SPD's Stakeholders Steering Group update.
b. Planning Application 24/502769/FULL Land Northeast of Redwood Glade Bredhurst Kent ME7 3JX. Deferred to Planning Committee with recommendation for approval.
c. Other planning matters.

172. IT/Website

- a. To **ratify** the Clerk's decision after consulting with Cllrs out of meeting to instruct TEEC to purchase a new GOV.UK domain name at a cost of £30.00 pa to meet the requirements.
- b. To **ratify** the Clerk's decision after consulting with Cllrs out of meeting to employ BCTec Ltd to provide new Microsoft email accounts for the new GOV.UK Domain name for the Clerk and Cllrs and to provide IT support and back up services to the Parish Council at an annual cost of £511.00 + £165.00 per quarter for support which is only charged if used.

173. Finance

- a. Financial statement and bank reconciliation – Cllrs to receive and accept.
- b. To authorise payments made out of and at meeting.
- c. To receive receipts and payments for the period (01/12/24 – 31/12/24).
- d. To receive Quarter 3 budget monitoring report.
- e. To consider and agree the Budget for 2025-2026.
- f. To consider and agree the Precept for 2025-2026.
- g. VAT Claim – Quarters 2 and 3.

174. Policies and Procedures

- a. To review General Risk Assessment (addition of cyber security).
- b. New Policy – Meeting Attendance Policy

175. Consultations

- a. [English Devolution White Paper](#)
- b. [KCC Consultation – Amendment 7: Waiting Restrictions](#) – DYL's Fir Tree Grove and Hurstwood Road. Consultation closes 3rd February 2025.

176. Reports from Parish, Borough and County Councillors (if present).

177. Correspondence

To receive any correspondence or related matters.

178. Closed Session

Personnel matters.

179. Close of Meeting

180. Date of Next Meeting – Wednesday 12th March 2025

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