

BREDHURST PARISH COUNCIL



**To all councillors: you are hereby summoned to attend an
ORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL TO BE HELD**

VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

On Wednesday 7th April 2021 at 6.30pm

DETAILS OF HOW TO ACCESS AND ATTEND THE MEETING ARE ATTACHED

Members of the public and press are invited to attend. Attendees may be filmed, recorded or otherwise reported about 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 full discussion will be placed on next month's agenda.

AGENDA

371. Apologies for absence

Cllrs to consider if apologies are acceptable.

372. Declarations of interests

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

373. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3rd March 2021 and the Personnel Committee Meeting held on 11th March 2021 (previously circulated).

ADJOURNMENT FOR A SHORT OPEN SESSION

374. Police Briefing

To receive the monthly crime report.

375. Matters arising (for information only)

To receive an update on action points from previous meetings.

376. Blacksmiths Barn

- a. To receive a verbal update and information on the electricity supply.
- b. To consider the advance payment of the ground rent for Blacksmith Barn.
- c. To consider any update for reopening of the Barn.
- d. To consider purchases for the Barn and garden.

377. Community Playing field

- a. To consider the quotes if received for the extension of the footpath at the entrance to the Community Field.
- b. To consider a request from the Bredhurst Church Charity Shop Committee for use of part of the field for the 50th Anniversary of the opening shop on Saturday 18th September 2021.
- c. To consider and agree the Annual Visual Tree Assessment for the Community Playing Field and around the Village.

378. Recruitment of Clerk & RFO

To provide an update on the process.

379. Website

To receive an update on the new live website.

380. Parish Council Elections – Thursday 6 May 2021

All nomination packs have been submitted and verified by MBC.

381. Annual Meeting of the Parish/Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

To agree the date for the meeting to be held following the elections: Wednesday 19 May 2021.

382. Remote Meetings

To consider face to face Covid safe meetings from 7th May unless the current legislation is extended.

383. Planning

- a. **21/501357/TPOA** - Works to TPO: Walnut (T-23) – Fell. 6 Blacksmiths Court Bredhurst. To **ratify** the Clerk's decision after consulting with Councillors that BPC wishes to object to the application. The application is to fell a mature and well-established Walnut Tree which is protected by a TPO. Despite recent works carried out to the tree, the photos supplied by the applicant show signs of natural regeneration. With an on-going management plan, the tree shape and canopy could be restored. Similarly, the Ivy clad trunk needs to be managed. The tree was in situ when the house was recently purchased. The lack of light or the space the tree takes are not valid reason for felling a TPO'd tree. Should MBC allow the application, we ask that they stipulate the species and size of any replacement trees.
- b. **21/501234/FULL** – Erection of a basement swimming pool, Sword Manor, Blind Lane, Bredhurst – To **ratify** the Clerk's decision after consulting Councillors out of meeting. Do not wish to object.
- c. **21/501458/SUB** - Submission of Details to Discharge Condition 2 - Full details including samples and colour finishes of external cladding materials and Condition 3 - External surfacing materials subject to 14/500691/FULL Kingsmead House Dunn Street Road Bredhurst. Deadline 15 April 2021.
- d. **21/501483/FULL** - First floor front and two storey side extension – 20 Fir Tree Grove, Bredhurst. Deadline 19 April 2021.

MBC Decision

- e. **21/500081 & 21/500082** May and Scarlett Cottages, Dunn Street Road, Bredhurst. Lawful Development Certificate (Proposed) change of use of building to be used as a children's home. The Council hereby **REFUSES** to grant your application dated 15.01.2021 for a certificate of lawful use or development for operations or matters described above in the First Schedule in respect of the land specified in the Second Schedule.
The grounds for refusal are:
(1) The proposed use of the property as a children's home, as set out within the application submission, is not considered to fall within the definition of a dwellinghouse (Class C3) as described in the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 (as amended) and based upon the degree of use and associated activity/vehicular movements together with the sharing of staff with the adjacent property known as May Cottage, on balance it is considered that a material change of use would occur for which planning permission is required
- f. Other planning matters.

384. Public Rights of Way

To provide an update from PRoW if received, regarding the height of the stile on KH55. Several complaints have been made to the Parish Council which have been forwarded to PRoW.

385. Village Maintenance

To consider what participation the Parish Council will take for the Great British Spring Clean Campaign (28 May – 13 June 2021).

386. Reports from Parish Councillors.

To receive any reports.

387. Reports from Borough and County Councillors (if present)

To receive any reports.

388. Correspondence

To receive any correspondence.

389. Finance

- a. Financial statement and bank reconciliation – to receive and accept.
- b. To authorise Payments. Payments to be made by BACS unless specified otherwise.
- c. Bank Mandates - These have been completed and will be submitted once the March minutes have been signed.
- d. End of Year Accounts (AGAR) – Submission deadline Friday 2nd July 2021.

390. Close of meeting

391. Date of Next Meeting - Wednesday 19th May 2021 at 6.30pm

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