# **BREDHURST PARISH COUNCIL**

# Councillors are hereby summoned to attend the MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL AT BLACKSMITHS BARN On Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 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**

## 286. Apologies for Absence

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

#### 287. Declarations of Interest

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

- 288. Motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting for all items in the Closed Session.
- 289. Minutes of 17th July 2025 Parish Council Meeting and Closed Session.

Cllrs to consider and approve.

## 290. Matters Arising (for information only)

To receive an update on action points from previous meeting.

## ADJOURNMENT FOR A SHORT PUBLIC OPEN SESSION

# 291. Police

To receive the monthly crime report.

# 292. Community Playing Field

- a. To receive weekly safety reports for play areas.
- b. To receive and consider report and quotations for playground equipment and safety surface.
- c. To complete MBC Parks and Open Spaces Survey on Parish Strategically Important Play Areas.
- d. To receive an update on Wind in the Willows open-air performance on 24<sup>th</sup> August 2025.
- e. Other community playing field matters

# 293. Blacksmith Barn

- a. To receive a report on the electricity usage and supplier.
- b. To set up a new UTB bank account for Blacksmith Barn.
- c. Other Blacksmith Barn matters.

#### 294. Bredhurst Village Hall

- a. To receive a report on the role of Bredhurst Parish Council as Sole Corporate Trustee of Bredhurst Village Hall Charitable Incorporated Organisation.
- b. To agree Bredhurst Village Hall Management Committee Terms of Reference.
- c. To approve Wellers Law Group to act on behalf of BPC for the lease renewal of Bredhurst Village Hall.
- d. To set up a new UTB bank account for Bredhurst Village Hall.
- e. To agree a date for a meeting of Bredhurst Village Hall Management Committee.

# 295. Village Maintenance

- a. To ratify additional cost of Visual Tree Assessment to include Bredhurst Village Hall trees.
- b. To receive a report from the Visual Tree Assessment.
- c. To receive and consider a quote for the refurbishment of the Oak Noticeboard at Green Court.
- d. Other village matters.

#### 296. Planning

- a. Lidsing Garden Development / Strategic Site SPD Stakeholders Steering Group update.
- b. Other planning matters.

#### 297. Finance

- a. To receive and accept financial statements and bank reconciliations for July and August 2025.
- b. To authorise payments made out of and at meeting.
- c. Lloyds Corporate Multipay Card Expenditure for July and August 25.
- d. To receive receipts and payments for the period (01/07/25 31/08/25).
- e. Q1 VAT Refund.
- f. To receive an update on Scribe Accounts package.
- g. Other financial matters.

#### 298. Policies and Procedures for Review

- a. Blacksmith Barn Health & Safety Policies and Procedures.
- b. Equality & Diversity Policy.

# 299. Highways & Byways

- a. Highways Improvement Plan update.
- b. Results of Traffic Survey for Bredhurst carried out between 1<sup>st</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> July.

## 300. Speedwatch

To receive an update from Kent Police Speedwatch Co-ordinator.

# 301. Councillor/Clerk Training

Cllrs/Clerk to provide any reports on training.

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

#### 303. Correspondence

To receive any correspondence or related matters.

Parish Conference, 10<sup>th</sup> November at 10am, Maidstone Town Hall.

#### 304. Closed Session

- a. Personnel matters.
- b. Enforcement.

#### 305. Close of Meeting

# 306. Date of Next Meeting – Wednesday 8th October 2025