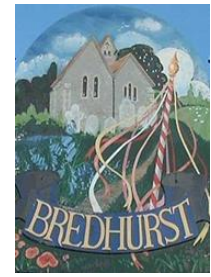


BREDHURST PARISH COUNCIL



**Councillors are hereby summoned to attend the
MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
AT BLACKSMITHS BARN
On Wednesday 8th April 2026 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

436. Apologies for Absence

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

437. Declarations of Interest

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

438. Co-option of Parish Councillor

To consider application for co-option.

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

440. Minutes of 11th March 2026 Parish Council Meeting and Closed Session.

Cllrs to consider and approve.

441. Matters Arising (for information only)

To receive an update on action points from previous meeting.

ADJOURNMENT FOR A SHORT PUBLIC OPEN SESSION

442. Police

To receive the monthly crime report.

443. Community Playing Field

- a. To receive safety reports for play areas.
- b. Other community playing field matters.

444. Blacksmith Barn

- a. To receive the Caretaker's report for the Barn.
- b. Other Blacksmith Barn matters.

445. Bredhurst Village Hall

- a. To receive March accounts for BVH.
- b. To receive the Caretaker's report for the Hall.
- c. To receive recommendations from the BVH Committee.
- d. Other Village Hall matters.

446. Village Maintenance

- a. Monthly Litter Picking - Deferred to 11th April 2026.
- b. Other village maintenance matters.

447. Planning

- a. Lidsing Garden Development Update.
- b. 26/500542/LDCEX Lawful Development Certificate for existing change of use from playing field to a private garden for family activities and events at Nursery House, The Nursery, Bredhurst Kent ME7 3BJ.
- c. Other planning matters.

- 448. Finance**
- a. To receive and accept financial statements and bank reconciliations for March 2026.
 - b. To authorise payments made out of and at meeting.
 - c. To receive receipts and payments for the period (01/03/26 – 31/03/26).
 - d. To receive Q4 monitoring budget.
 - e. Q4 VAT Reclaim.
 - f. To receive and accept expected regular payments for 2026-27.
 - g. To approve the renewal of the annual subscription to KALC.
 - h. To consider opening a Public Sector Deposit Fund/CCLA Investment Account.
- 449. Policies and Procedures for Review**
- a. Election Policy (New)
 - b. Co-option Procedure
 - c. Training Policy
- 450. Highways**
Highways Improvement Plan update.
- 451. Speedwatch**
To receive an update and results from any recent Speedwatch sessions.
- 452. What3Words**
To receive and agree annual subscription.
- 453. Consultations**
- 454. Councillor/Clerk Training**
Cllrs/Clerk to provide any reports on training.
- 455. Reports from Parish, Borough and County Councillors (if present)**
- 456. Correspondence**
To receive any correspondence or related matters.
- 457. Closed Session**
- a. Personnel matters.
 - b. BVH Lease & Heads of Terms
- 458. Close of Meeting**
- 459. Date of Next Meeting – Wednesday 27th May 2026.**

**Please note this will be the Annual Meeting of the Parish at 6pm
followed by
the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council at 7pm**

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