Broadbridge Heath Parish Council



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Election Year for BBHPC

This May is an Election year for Broadbridge Heath Parish Council.

All current Councillors are required to stand for re-election if they wish to continue to serve as a Parish Councillor.

Currently we have 8 serving Parish Councillors of 13 seats.



We would like to invite all residents to get in touch if they have any interest in becoming a Councillor or have any questions regarding the election process.

Have a Voice —Work Together—Make a Difference

Further information can be found on Horsham District Council's Website, District and Parish Elections – 4 May 2023.

Parish Precept

When budget setting this year, the Parish Council were keen to keep any increase to the precept to a minimum, but had to give consideration to inflation and the rising costs of projects and suppliers.

Following a recommendation from the Finance and Establishment Committee, the Parish Council discussed and agreed an 8% increase to the precept, representing an annual increase of £4.38 to £59.07 for a Band D property. This forms the Parish Council element of your annual Council Tax bill.

Further details about the tiers of government and each authority's responsibilities can be found on our website.

<u>Local Government Responsibilities and Reporting - Broadbridge Heath Parish Council</u> (broadbridgeheath-pc.gov.uk)

Highways Online Reporting

Notification on changes to Highways Online Reporting - WSCC. Announcing 'Love West Sussex' is to be shut down on 28th April 2023

Last year WSCC Highways changed the reporting tool for road and pavement issues.

The old reporting tool "Love West Sussex" will be turned off from 28 April 2023.

For all Highway road and pavement related issues including potholes, flooding, tree, hedges, weeds and grass and faults or obstructions on the road, pavement or cycle paths then please use the following link

Report a problem with a road or pavement

Full URL as follows: https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/make-an-enquiry-or-report-a-problem-with-a-road-or-pavement/

We would encourage all residents for any highways related issue to report directly to WSCC as per above.

Allotments

Weston Avenue

All residents on the Allotment Waiting List that showed preference for a plot at Weston Avenue have now been emailed and sent a Welcome Pack. If any resident that believes to be on the Waiting List <u>and</u> shown a preference or a plot at Weston venue and not received an email please get in touch.

It's been great to see residents starting to use their plots!

Churchill Way

Progress continues to transfer the Churchill Way site to the Parish Council. We are in the latter stages of this legal transfer, and works to clear and prepare the site have been instructed with the developer in preparation for completion. Further communications will be shared accordingly.

Allotment Waiting List

The Allotment Waiting List currently remains closed to allow initial plot allocation at both sites. It is anticipated once this is complete the waiting list will re-open and this will be shared via the Parish Councils communication means.



ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Thursday 20th April 2023
The Parish Office, Sargent Way
6pm to 8:30pm



All residents are invited to attend the Annual Parish Meeting.

This is not a usual Parish Council meeting, but is the annual meeting of the people of the parish, giving our electorate the opportunity to raise any matters important to our village.

Come along and meet your Parish Councillors, Officers and some of our community partners.



Dates for the Diary

FULL COUNCIL MEETINGS AT THE PARISH OFFICE

Monday 3rd of April 19.30Monday 15th of May 19:30

PCSO ADRIAN BELL, DROP IN SESSIONS AT THE PARISH OFFICE

Tuesday 25th April 10.00-12.00

Tuesday 16th May 16.30-18.30—This will include an

opportunity for bike-marking

(Other dates will continue throughout the year)

AGE UK— Cuppa & Chat continues monthly at the Shelley Pub

Tuesday 4th April 13.30-15.30



The Coronation Big Help Out





In tribute to His Majesty The King's public service, 'The Big Help Out' will encourage people to try volunteering for themselves and join the work being undertaken to support their local areas, whilst highlighting the positive impact this can have on communities across the nation. The aim of The Big Help Out is to use volunteering to bring communities together and create a lasting legacy from the Coronation Weekend.

Come along to find out more about various volunteering opportunities across the district.