



# Wyre Forest District Council

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## District Council Report for Churchill & Blakedown Parish Council

Dear Louise,

**Churchill & Blakedown Parish Council Meeting – Tuesday 11th June 2024**

### Local Issues

We have been dealing with the usual routine casework, reporting litter and fly tipping on the main A roads and along the country lanes.

Following visits to Churchill & Blakedown this week the WFDC road sweeper has been requested to gully sweep Belbroughton Rd, Mill Lane/Mill Close and surrounding areas. We also noted several street nameplates have estate agents signs attached to them, again we have asked WFDC to remove them but also to write to the agents concerned to advise them to stop this practice.

### Wyre Forest Issues

WFDC met on 15<sup>th</sup> May for annual council. Cllr. John Byng has been elected as Chairman of WFDC and Cllr. Paul Harrison Vice-chairman of WFDC for 24-25.

Work is well under way with the Connectivity project in Worcester Street, Kidderminster where 4 large redundant retail units have been demolished to open this area of town. We have just let the contract to the construction contractor McPhillips and work should complete by the end of the year on the construction of the urban park.

There will be much more gradual steps to what are currently there now called the 'Step Entry' and a gradual path down, with benches and a park/public open space. We need to make this area of town attractive to urban living and link up the former

Glades site which we want to see developed for residential with the wider town centre.

Work is also well under way at the former Magistrates' Court, which is being branded as the 'Creative Hub'. This will be office spaces that can be permanently let and there will be flexible lets and venue space too.

We have commissioned a feasibility study for Worcester Street, Market Street, the former Crown House site and Lionfields (former Glades site) and this will report later in the year. We are keen to see more residential development in the town centre.

If you have any issues, you would like us to deal with, please do not hesitate to contact us.

With our very best wishes.

Yours sincerely

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