

MAY NEWSLETTER Shrewley Parish Council

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Warwick District Council (WDC) Report – In an earlier Update we reported on work to agree a local Development Control Plan (DPD), which places an expectation on developers to deliver new homes and buildings in Warwick District that are “Net Zero Carbon in use”, substantially reducing environmental impact. This has now received approval from the government’s planning inspector and will be formally considered for adoption by the Council. Reducing the carbon footprint of all buildings is a key priority for WDC, which will be amongst the first councils in the country to implement this planning policy. It will require developers to play their part in designing homes that do not use fossil fuels, therefore avoiding the need for expensive retrofits when the old-style energy systems become redundant.

WDC continues to work alongside Stratford District Council Work to develop a new Local Plan for the South Warwickshire area. The initial options are being whittled down to a smaller number which focus on the need for new housing, ideally making use of existing transport corridors (road and rail) as well as employment location.

There is a growing expectation that South Warwickshire will plan for sizeable levels of inwards migration, bringing new people, skills and opportunities to the area. The Council will place emphasis on an approach that is environmentally friendly, creates additional employment, addresses social housing need and makes use of any “brown field” sites, before looking to urbanise agricultural land. Some Parish Councils have requested early engagement with WDC as the new Plan starts to take shape and officers are currently providing a series of on-line briefing sessions to update Parish Councillors accordingly.

Yes, its that time again! You may have seen a national report which featured WDC (amongst many others) and the policy seeking to encourage spring pollinators, whilst learning practical lessons from last year’s initial No Mow May. It works, so why not try it at home?

Keep Hatton Station Rural (KHSR) has been formed as a response to the proposed development of our settlement at Hatton Station - “A New Community for Hatton” as part of the South Warwickshire Local Plan. This proposal would see up to 4,500 houses built on Green Belt land by 2050. A volunteer team has come together to oppose yet another attempt to decimate our valuable countryside.

Further information and details of how to get involved can be found at www.KeepHattonStationRural.com

Highway and Public Footpath/Towpath Maintenance and Repair – Warwickshire has an online Fault Report System for roads and footpaths <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/reportaproblem>

Shrewley Parish Website – The Parish Council is updating and improving the Shrewley website www.shrewley.org. We will be looking to include photographs of the parish. If you have any photos that you think would be suitable, please forward them to the Clerk at shrewleyparish@aol.co.uk

Village Hall – Applications for financial assistance have been submitted to RUCIS and the Parish Council for the hall’s upgrade. A planning application will be submitted when the architects have completed their task.

A new Chairman and Treasurer have been proposed to take over following the Hall AGM on 22nd May.

Trials by a Mexican food trailer at the Village Hall are looking promising, so they might soon be adding their services to those already offered by the coffee trailer and the fish and chip van.

For all village Hall events see the Parish/Village Hall notice boards and website www.shrewley.org.

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Next Meeting – Monday 1st July 7pm

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