

## **MARCH NEWSLETTER Shrewley Parish Council**

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**WDC Report** – As a result of agreeing to sell the council offices and use reserves, WDC is able to freeze their part of the council tax and give Warwick District foodbanks a £1000 per week. Elections will take place in May. Cllr Illingworth is retiring, the PC thanked him for all his help during his time as District Councillor and we wish him a long and happy retirement.

**Martin Wood resigned from the Parish Council in March after 8 years as a Councillor, due to personal commitments. Martin was Vice Chairman and a committed Councillor who worked hard to get things done and the PC has been grateful for his help and support.**

**Shrewley Common Crossroads** – Resident Roly Robinson has kindly mowed the verges at Shrewley crossroads for many years but has now decided to pass on the responsibility. Also Jean Andrews, who has been maintaining the planters, also stepped down. As a result the PC has agreed a contract with a local tradesman to initially clean and tidy the area and then provide ongoing maintenance. The work has started and Cllrs are pleased with the work to date which is making the entrance to the village more presentable and welcoming.

**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>**

**The new IndieGo PLUS** on-demand minibus service now operates in our area - Minibuses are bookable via the IndieGo Plus app or over the phone. The Warwick service operates from 6:00 – 19:30 Monday to Saturday and the app can be used to book for pick up on the day or up to 14 days in advance. **Adult single fares are reduced until the end of June to £2** and trips can be paid for using your debit or credit card. Concessionary passes may only be used after 9am. The map with the available local destinations is on the app and includes Warwick and Kenilworth and all local railway stations. Further information is available by calling 01926 895559 or online at <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/public-transport/indiego/3>

**Ferncumbe News** – The Parish Council has subsidised one copy of the magazine to all Shrewley parish residents. It is hoped that people will enjoy the magazine and continue to subscribe.

**Village Hall** – Due to the rise in electricity charges there will be a rent increase which will be announced in March. Cashless payments are now accepted at events which has been very successful. Broadband and Wi-Fi are also due to be installed.

A Coronation Party is being planned for Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May and the committee is hoping to get financial support from the District Council.

A display case has been installed in the Village Hall by the Village Show Group where various cups won will be on display. Brian Sparks has stepped down from the team after many years of service. The Committee wished him all the best for the future.

For all Village Hall events see the Parish/Village Hall notice boards and website [www.shrewley.org](http://www.shrewley.org).

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## **Next Meeting – Annual Assembly Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 7pm**

*The Assembly will focus on .....*

- **IndieGo PLUS** – the new demand responsive minibus service
- **Climate Emergency - Bar Zero:**  
**Helping Barford save the planet**
- **Shrewley Tunnel SSSI Project** – An update

*Any other items raised by Shrewley electors*

**EVERYONE WELCOME – PLEASE  
COME AND HAVE YOUR SAY**