

## **MARCH NEWSLETTER Shrewley Parish Council**

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**Warwickshire County Council (WCC) Report** – The County Council share of the council tax has increased to 4.99% with 2% for social care. Eligible people are being encouraged to get 2 doses of the MMR (mumps, measles and rubella) vaccine. The county's aspirational Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) helps the county meet their net zero target. The Multiply Program is available for people aged 19+ who do not have GCSE maths to better their career prospects. Details can be found at [www.warwickshire.gov.uk](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk).

**Warwick District Council (WDC) Report** – The District Council part of the council tax has increased tax by 2.99%, equivalent to £5.29 per year, or 11p per week, for a Band D dwelling. Part of the budget is allocated to contract an additional fly tipping response team, which will reduce response times and counter the increase in fly tipping across the district. The SWLP South Warwickshire Local Plan key discussion at the moment is around the overall number of houses to be built. These discussions are entering a critical phase so now is the time to contact WDC with any views or input. There are multiple updates on leisure centres in the district this month. Castle Farm has held its official opening. Abbey Fields Pool has been approved to continue with construction expected to commence in March. Councillors have also approved funding to refurbish and upgrade the paddling pool at Victoria Park. The new pool is planned to have improved seating, shaded areas, and far less maintenance downtime. Construction will begin in the Autumn. Finally, Garden Waste permit renewals are open, covering 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025. See [www.warwickdc.gov.uk/gardenwaste](http://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/gardenwaste)

**Shrewley Parish Website** – The Parish Council is updating and improving the Shrewley website [www.shrewley.org](http://www.shrewley.org). We will be looking to include photographs of the parish and also the activities of our groups and societies. If you have any photos that you think would be suitable, please forward them to the Clerk at [shrewleyparish@aol.co.uk](mailto:shrewleyparish@aol.co.uk)

**SWEAT – Shrewley Wroxall Environment Action Team - Talk on the Fascinating World of Bees and Beekeeping Wed 10th April 7:45pm at Wren Hall** Local beekeeper Alan Deeley from Burton Green will give a talk which will be practical and interactive with various beekeeping props and interesting objects. Honey will be available for sampling and for sale! £5 entry on the door. Contact: [martinwood.fiveways@gmail.com](mailto:martinwood.fiveways@gmail.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>

**Village Hall** – Plans to extend part of the hall and upgrade the hall are progressing towards a detail design and a planning approval application – and further financial assistance. A new programme of movies is being followed by the Social Club, and a Quiz night has been announced for 26<sup>th</sup> July. Further live events will be announced during the year. An independent horsebox coffee trailer has been setting up in the car park on Wednesdays and Fridays for a trial period.

**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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## **Annual Assembly – Monday 25 March 7pm**

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

- **South Warwickshire Local Plan (SWLP) - second call for sites – proposed new community on land east of Hatton Station**
  - **Warwickshire Rights of Way (public footpaths) consultation**
  - **Shrewley Biodiversity Policy/SWEAT**
- Plus Open Forum - any other items raised by Shrewley electors**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME –**

**PLEASE COME ALONG**

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