

CHAIRMANS REPORT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MAY 2023

Firstly, many thanks to our Parish Clerk for her very hard work throughout the year. She supports both the councillors and the residents of Clive in many ways that make the running of the Parish a much better place and we are very grateful for all her efforts.

SHROPSHIRE LOCAL PLAN REVIEW

The main issue concerning the village is the matter of the HUB status. Councillors have prepared and attended the first face to face meeting with the inspector, having prepared detailed response to the, what the PC consider incorrect points allocation used by the County Council to arrive at the score they do which would classify Clive as a HUB and therefore the additional housing that would be associated with this classification. The Council have pointed out that the village no longer has a shop, and the premises will not re-open to provide this facility and that it has lost its bowling green. Despite providing evidence proving this, SCC officers continue to base their assessment on these facilities still being in existence or likely to become available.

The Parish Council continues to monitor the progress and is awaiting the date of the second hearing with the inspector at which the Parish Council will be represented.

COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH

Volunteers have come together to monitor and record speeding drivers through the village at various locations with offending drivers being reported to the police. We appreciate the time these volunteers give and the positive effect in deterring speeding drivers passing through the village. The group need further volunteers to support this important work.

VAS SIGNS IN THE VILLAGE

Speeding continues to be a high priority in trying to reduce the speed of traffic especially morning and afternoon periods when traffic is using this route to avoid the A49. The Parish Council is able to monitor the data provided by the two VAS recorders and this information is passed to West Mercia Police Safer Road Section and as a result we have had some support in the form of marked police car but are not able to visit regularly as we would wish, due to lack of resources.

Following a recent meeting with the Police and Crime Commissioner, when the Parish Council had the opportunity to point out the problem of lack of resources, shortly after this discussion we had a mobile speed monitoring unit attend and have been advised that this would be repeated but at the times we have indicated that are most significant. The PC will be applying for a further grant for another VAS sign on the Wem Road and the sight for this has been identified and agreed with SCC and the Police.

ROAD CONDITIONS

The condition of the roads, though not perfect, are much improved as work has been carried out to the reported potholes but the need to register on 'Fix my Street' is essential to ensure that problems are dealt with promptly.

PARKING NEAR SCHOOL ENTRANCE

Parking at school drop off and collection times has been an ongoing problem and as a result, to try to alleviate the problem, the PC requested further yellow zigzag lines adjacent to Whitley's drive and it is reported by the school that seems to have improved the situation. We will await the re-painting of the zigzags at the bottom of The Glat.

DEFIBRILATOR UNIT

The PC continue to monitor this unit and report its condition every two weeks to the monitoring network.

RENSHAW'S FIELD AND VILLAGE HALL

The PC continue to make the repayments for the purchase of Renshaw's Field from the Parish Precept, and this is ongoing. The PC agreed to provide the additional funding required by Viola to make possible the refurbishment of Clive Village Hall and again this will be repaid over the coming years from the precept.