

SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL

JUNE NEWS

This month's meeting was a much quieter event than the two meetings held in May and in the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Adrian Brown, the Vice Chairman, was responsible for overseeing the business.

The major item for debate was to approve the range of Audit documents prepared by the Clerk and the Internal Auditor, so that they could be sent to the National Auditor based in London. After due consideration they were all approved and copies of these documents can be obtained from the Clerk on the payment of a £5.00 fee.

Other issues considered included:

Street Lights in Bridgeway and The Glebelands:

Members were pleased to hear that Highline Electrical, the new contractors, were going to carry out the outstanding up-grade of the lights, which has been outstanding for nearly three years. Members recorded their appreciation for the patience of the residents who have been affected by the delay.

Safer Road Partnership:

The Council is still seeking additional volunteers to come forward and join the team. We get many complaints about speeding traffic along the A53 and other local roads and this is an additional way of combatting those who feel traffic controls do not apply to them. Joining involves attending a short training session and being prepared to spend a few hours a week carrying out checks. The scheme has been full prepared by the Safer Road Partnership and just needs a few more willing people to get started. Many other local Parishes are already running schemes so if you would like to have one in Shawbury get in touch with the Clerk who will happily explain everything to you.

Other Road Safety Issues:

During the past month Council representatives have had meetings with several of the local area police officers to discuss the continued concern about motorists failing to observe the red lights at the A53/Wem Road junction and the crossing by the shops. The police have agreed that there is a need for better road marking with yellow boxing and warning signs for the crossing and will be contacting Shropshire Council to discuss suggested improvements.

Playing Field Fencing Posts:

Members feel sure that many of you will have seen the need to replace some more of the posts which have rotted away at the base. This is an ongoing and expensive project but the Council is indebted to Councillor Paul Sharp who, with many other volunteer tasks he undertakes, gets involved with this work and gives valuable assistance to John Tait from JST Services.