

## **Press Release**

### **Re-accreditation of Quality Status**

The Mayor of Wem, Cllr Douglas Cooley is very pleased to announce that Wem Town Council has been successful in its application for re-accreditation as Quality Council. The Town Council was the first Town Council in North Shropshire to achieve Quality Status in 2006 and the Councillors are delighted at this confirmation of its continuing status as a Quality Council.

Quote from Shropshire Association of Town & Parish Councils

'The Shropshire Accreditation Panel is very pleased to announce that Wem Town Council on Monday 10 May 2010 achieved re accreditation of their Quality Status. The Quality Status award means they have proved that they communicate with and deliver services to their community in an effective and efficient manner. The additional requirements they have had to meet include the adoption of a 'Training Statement of Intent' which ensures that Wem Town Clerk and Councillors are committed to professional development and that their community will benefit from their continuously improving standards.'

Quote from the Mayor of Wem Cllr Douglas Cooley

'On Monday 10 May 2010 the Mayor, Cllr Douglas Cooley, accompanied by Cllr Chris Mellings and Town Clerk Jane Drummond presented Wem Town Council's application for re accreditation as a Quality Council at Shirehall.

The Mayor is pleased to announce that the Board were satisfied with the presentation of the operating procedures of the Wem Town Council and awarded the Council re accreditation for the next four years.

The Council has worked very hard over the past four years to maintain the high standards set by the Quality Status award.

My thanks go to Cllr Mellings for his presentation to the Board and to the Town Clerk for her dedication and diligence in keeping abreast of the ever changing rules and regulations in the operation of a Town Council.'

Jane Drummond  
13 May 2010