

**Progress Report from Matters Arising from previous meetings as at
15.2.18**

Agenda item

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Item	Minute No.	Update
Highways issues	125/15 126/15 221/16 88/16 58/17 96/17	Station Road, parking on bend – Consultation to be carried out by Shropshire Council in new financial year. Main Car Park, white line retouching – update requested. Barnard Street – Update received 11.12.17 consultation letters due out before Christmas. Mill Street –Update received 11.12.17 roundel painting on hold due to Shropshire Council Highway’s spending freeze until 31.3.18. Community Speedwatch – Mill Street now included as some possible standing locations for a group to operate from have been identified. However Safer Roads Partnership who operate the scheme need the mobile enforcement that is still operating on Whitchurch Road to finish before any work can commence as CSW does not operate within 2km of the enforcement. Relief Road – no update awaiting meeting with Local Enterprise Partnership ref funding of scoping plan.
Swimming Pool	92/16	Lease amendment comments submitted to solicitor.
CCTV		Service Level Agreement for the Jubilee Square CCTV camera discussed with Shropshire Council. Agreed to include it in any SLA developed relating to the management of the Town Square. Bid resubmitted Dec 2017 grant awarded.
Roden Grove Flood risk	39/17/c	Letter sent to Shropshire Council no response at time of issuing agenda.
Briefing Sessions	56/17	Income Generation session to be held 15.2.18
Wem Economic Forum		Next meeting March – WEF traffic working group to meet 15.2.18
Cemetery		1 burial held.
Old Toilet Block		Working party yet to meet
Local Plan Review	110/17	Response sent 20.12.17, Site Allocation due out in August 2017
LED Lights		Conversion completed – some lights still to be converted but awaiting Scottish Power Work.
Councillor Drop in		Dates booked councillors to sign up for sessions.

Information Received – circulated via email

SALC reports including training plan

NALC reports including update on Data Protection Changes and referendum principals

Connecting Shropshire report

Self build Newsletter

Healthwatch Shropshire Press release

Keep Shropshire Warm initiative

Army Cadet Force, North Shropshire Wheelers, Wem Carnival Grant, Wem Christmas Festival

Thank you letters / emails.

Training / Meetings

Thursday March 15th 5.30pm – 7.30pm General Data Protection Regulations with Robert Montgomery, T & W Council. Council Chamber, Shirehall, Shrewsbury.

Market Town Clerks meeting 30.1.18

Eddie West from Shropshire Council provided an update on the Local Plan Review which had drawn over 650 responses. Early indications from the responses are mixed with protectionist groups unhappy with the high growth proposals and agents and developers requesting more growth! Concern has also been raised over the methodology used to allocate community hubs. He reported that the site allocations consultation had been set back and would probably now begin in August 2018 with a view to submit the final plan in January 2019. The change in the deadline would provide officers with more time to talk to communities and it was anticipated that a meeting will be held with all councils where land is to be allocated for development. A discussion took place on the changes to the community infrastructure levy that were currently being considered and it was reported that the scrutiny committee were currently looking at the proposals to alter the policy of how CIL is spent and what it is being spent on, it is anticipated an update on this would be available by late February.

An update was also received on the Kear Highways contract which will start on 1st April – currently discussions are underway in relation to the impact that the £5 million reduction in the highways budget will have on the contract however it was anticipate that these issues would be concluded prior to the start of the contract. Concern was expressed over the proposed removal of funding for Environmental Maintenance Grant in the 2018-19 especially after a significant amount of work was carried out by the working party to look at ways in which the grant could be more effective.

Clerk attended Audit and year end preparation on 8.2.18 and viewed External Audit changes webinar 12.2.18.

Clerk and Assistant completed Manual Handling E training.

Internal Auditor visit 5.2.18 – report awaited.

Future Meeting Dates / Events

Date	Time	Committee / Event	Location
Thursday 22 nd February	19.00	Town Council Meeting	Roden Suite
Tuesday 13 th March	14.00	Amenities and Services Committee	Eckford suite
Wednesday 21 st March	10.00	Wem Swimming and Lifestyle Centre Liaison Group	Eckford Suite
Thursday 29 th March	19.00	Town Council Meeting	Roden Suite
Thursday 12 th April	14.00	Finance and Corporate Governance Committee	Eckford Suite
Thursday 26 th April	19.00	Town Council Meeting	Roden Suite