

## Wem Town Council Priorities January 2022 – May 2025

Priority	Projects
<p><b>1. Engage more effectively with residents, particularly hard to reach groups including 18 -30 year olds to develop services and facilities to meet community needs.</b></p>	<p>Consider holding quarterly informal open meetings to discuss current issues.</p> <p>Engage with the community by attending key events / activities.</p> <p>Make the Town Council more accessible to residents by securing a permanent base for the Town Council in the town.</p> <p>From time to time undertake specific targeted consultations with key groups.</p>
<p><b>2. Continue the Town Council's commitment to progress Climate Change and Environmental Initiatives</b></p>	<p>Work in partnership with interested groups to secure the Mill Fields as informal recreation space for residents.</p> <p>Work in partnership to promote and create cycleways and footpaths in and around the town.</p> <p>Engage in tree planting projects.</p> <p>Wherever possible invest and promote green technologies on Council owned facilities.</p> <p>Continue progress on Climate Change Action Plan.</p>
<p><b>3. Ensure that future housing development meets the needs of the local community</b></p>	<p>Investigate whether a Housing Needs Survey would be suitable for the town.</p> <p>Ensure place plan priorities continue to be relevant and reviewed.</p> <p>Pursue funding for town projects that may come about as a direct result of development through all available means.</p>
<p><b>4. Take a holistic approach to the regeneration of some the town's aging infrastructure</b></p>	<p>Ensure consultation takes place to identify the needs of residents.</p> <p>Campaign for and develop projects to improve the appearance of Wem Town Centre.</p> <p>Work in partnership with organisations to develop festivals/ events to boost local economy.</p> <p>Work with Wem Town Hall to develop street fairs/ markets to increase the vibrancy of the town centre.</p> <p>Work in partnership with key groups and organisations e.g Wem Economic Forum, Wem Sports and Social Association, WSLC, Wem Scout and Guide HQ to develop and improve leisure facilities at Bowensfield.</p> <p>Continue to Campaign to improve the Town's Highways network.</p>