

Audit Committee

16th July 2025

Public Questions and Responses

From: Mr John Palmer

How many whistleblowing reports were received during 2024/25 regarding the Shrewsbury North West Relief Road scheme? Did anyone come forward with an attempted whistleblowing report regarding this scheme, but officers / councillors then discouraged it from being lodged and then investigated?

Response:

We can confirm that in 24/25 there were no (zero) whistleblowing reports that related to the North West Relief Road.

We are not aware of anyone coming forward with an attempted whistleblowing report in relation to the scheme that was discouraged.

As outlined in the report to audit committee (Item 6 Speaking Up About Wrongdoing) we continue to receive an average number of reports each year which provides assurance that this is a route open to employees, elected members, contractors, partners and members of the public to be able to report any areas of concern.