

## CABINET – 10 JUNE 2026

### PUBLIC QUESTIONS

1. Jason Dorricott

What assessment has been made by Shropshire Council of the impact ending this funding will have on isolated stroke survivors and carers across Shropshire, and what alternative support will be available to people becoming increasingly isolated or reaching crisis point

2. Caroline John – on behalf of Shrewsbury Town Centre Residents Association

Public Register of Premises Licences Shropshire Council's website states: "We maintain a register of all licences, and, as required by the relevant legislation, details of licences are available. To request any copies, please get in touch."

Experience shows that this facility fails to deliver the statutory requirement. The question, in three parts, is as follows:

1. On what date did Shropshire Council most recently make available to any person a Register, as required by S8 of, and specified in Schedule 3 to, the Licensing Act 2003?

2. When, and by whom (whether Committee, Officer (identifying post but not person), or Member), and under what delegated power in the Council's Constitution, was the decision made that such Register would cease to be made available? Will Cabinet please provide a copy of the Council's formal Record of that Decision?

3. On what date will Shropshire Council make available a fully-compliant Register, whether electronic or hard copy? In formulating its response, Shropshire Council is asked to take full account of: Licensing Act 2003 • Section 8 – Requirement to keep a register. • Schedule 3 – Matters to be entered in a licensing register. • Explanatory Note, and in particular paras 16, 45, 33 and 305. Shropshire Council Constitution • Part 2, Article 12, para 12.6 –. • Part 5, Codes & Protocols – Part 5 Code of Corporate Governance • Part 8, Delegations to Officers – B4 - Legality

3. Mike Streetly

It is now 7 years since the UK Government and Shropshire Council passed declarations of a Climate Emergency and, whilst there has been some progress since then, it is clear that as a society we are not on track to respond to the rapidly unfolding catastrophe being caused by uncontrolled emissions of CO2. Last November, ten of the UK's leading experts briefed an invited audience of over 1,200 politicians and leaders from business, culture, faith, sport and the media in Westminster Hall. The briefing set out the implications for the UK of climate and nature breakdown for health, food systems, national security and the economy. Those talks have been synthesised into a 45 minute film that alerts the public to the dangers our society is facing on multiple fronts and the urgent need to redouble our efforts to address it. Will Shropshire Council please provide an opportunity for all staff and councillors to view the film and discuss its implications for their work?

#### 4. John Palmer

Re: agenda item 18 - Shropshire housing authority enforcement and civil penalties policies The Renters' Rights Act 2025 is a welcomed policy introduced by this progressive Government, that aims to boldly redress the balance in tenants' favour and ensure justice. Legislation that the Tories would never introduce, because of self-interest and their landlord chums; nor the far right, who are diametrically opposed to fairness, and have zero chance of being in government anyway. An exciting report, and well-drawn-up policies, from Shropshire Council. How many landlords have been successfully formally prosecuted by Shropshire Council since 2022? Is the answer 1? (re The Oakery near Ludlow in September 2023 - a shocking news story that I recall publishing).

#### 5. Marianne Aitken

- Will the Cabinet now reverse the current proposal to close this highly valued service?
- Will the Cabinet consider an alternative location to provide an important service to both current and future community of Ludlow?
- We would like to understand how the recommendation made in the 'Day Centre Consultation April 2026 Report' are being – to reiterate the report there were -
  - Retain and prioritise specialist provision where needs cannot be met elsewhere
  - Recognise and embed the preventive value of day services in decision-making
  - Continue to embed equality, rurality and accessibility considerations into future work
  - Protect dignity, personal care and sensory support as core service elements
  - Consider the feedback concerning lack of promotion, referrals and transport
  - Take a differentiated approach to independence, employment and volunteering
  - Ensure meaningful co-production and transition planning
- What percentage of the council deficit will this fix?
- Has the consideration of the movement of cost from day centre to full time care been a consideration of this proposal?
- We continue to request answers to our questions position on 6<sup>th</sup> May which we have yet to have any response – attached again for reference

#### 6. Care Johnson

The School Streets pilot scheme was introduced in 2024 under the previous administration at several schools across the county, including Woodside School in Oswestry. While the scheme proved popular in some locations, such as Gobowen, it was largely ineffective at Woodside.

Although the scheme has since been suspended, residents have not been formally advised. Signs and cameras remain in place, creating the impression that restrictions are still in force, despite clear opposition from the school. In contrast, in Gobowen, where there is support, the scheme has not yet been reinstated.

In addition, either during implementation or following the resurfacing of Gittin Street prior to May 2025, many parking restriction lines were removed and have not been replaced. This has led to dangerous and inconsiderate parking, with no practical means of enforcement.

As a result, road safety conditions now appear worse than before the scheme was introduced, representing a significant failure by previous decision-makers.

Could the Portfolio Holder confirm:

1. When the Woodside scheme will be formally deemed unsuccessful, with signage removed and residents informed;
2. When the scheme will be reinstated in areas that support it;
3. When parking markings and enforcement will be fully restored outside Woodside?

#### Questions raised as part of Agenda Item 20 – Hills Ford Rally

##### 1. Question from Peter Phillips

Will Cabinet defer permission for closures in the Linley Section to enable discussions of possible revision of this section?

Main concerns are presented by the Shropshire Hills National Landscape response.

Linley section is picked out for special mentions. Concerns relate to landscape, wildlife recovery, tourism and Farming. The route loops within an area of woodland and pasture barely a mile across. The impact of such a large number of vehicles--it is a speed trial-on this small and fragile area--will be huge. Some stretches are unfenced lanes. Major interruption into local farming activity and tourism.

Local concerns are strongly supported by the Parish Council and Local Member, which Council (and Motorsport UK) regard as important. It is not a matter of temporary inconvenience but of possible significant damage-e.g, to The Bog Centre and LongMynd Shuttle Bus operations, the extra time/costs impinging on landowners making changes to accommodate the event .... on the withdrawal of the typical visitors usually experienced in September. Possible impact on natural life and environment must be taken into account.

The Linley Section is a self-contained loop. Its revision / replacement would not threaten the Event as a whole.

The Council and Hills Ford have stated the importance of Public Opinion; and will also be sensitive to the unique importance of the National Landscape which, Council has a

DUTY to pro-actively conserve and enhance. I hope Cabinet will take the opportunity of demonstrating this by re-visiting this Section with Hills Ford; and of responding to residents' concerns.

2. Question from Councillor David Taylor – Vice Chair of Church Pulverbatch Parish Council

In February Pulverbatch PC forwarded to Shropshire Highways its unanimous objection to the Hills Ford Stages Rally Road Closure in Church Pulverbatch. Dozens of objecting resident's emails were subsequently sent to Shropshire Highways.

Three fear loss of business to their holiday lets, one farmer, on the route, raised serious safety concerns to workers and animals, and the pub at Picklescott will seek compensation for loss of revenue due to access restrictions.

Other resident's objections include;

- The route is on the Shropshire Way which is crossed by 7 regularly used footpaths & bridleways.
- Verges and road surfaces will be damaged and wildlife put at risk
- Cyclists, hikers, horse riders and dog walkers will be inconvenienced.
- It contradicts Shropshire Council's Destination Management Plan which states our stunning landscapes are ideal for outdoor relaxation, such as walking & relaxation
- It undermines the tireless work undertaken by local volunteers as part of Shropshire Councils Nature Recovery Strategy, improving flora and wildlife along our verges.
- The event totally contradicts Shropshire Council's declaration to commit to a Climate Emergency.

This Rally was proposed in Herefordshire a year ago but an FOI shows unanswered questions by officers which resulted in the Rally being cancelled.

- Have those questions from Herefordshire officers been reviewed and answered for our proposed road closures?
- Shropshire Council's new Devolution policies encourage parishes to take more responsibility for local services; therefore, will Shropshire Council not ignore the residents of our parish and not approve this road closure.