Parish Council News:

Budget News:

At the December meeting the Members approved the budget for 2019 -2020. Following careful spending in the current year and the receipt of some grants it was agreed that there was no need to increase the precept, which means that the Parish Council element of the annual Council Tax payment will not be increased. The Clerk pointed out that it would be possible to meet essential expenditure costs and also carry out some identified projects.

Car Park Fencing:

Many of you will have noticed that the current bollards round the car park are continuing to rot away and it has been decided to replace all of these in early January. The company selected has developed a new treatment system and guaranteed the bollards against rot for twenty five years. The bollards will also have a metal casing at the base to protect them when grass strimming takes place. This work is being funded from the grant provided by the developers of the housing project in Poynton Road.

Housing Development:

Shropshire Council has published a consultation document outlining proposals over the next twenty years and Shawbury Parish has been identified as a 'hub' with plans to build a further ninety houses during that period. A number of sites were submitted for consideration but the one chosen is an extension to the Oaklands Estate being constructed alongside the A53, with access to it off the current recently constructed roundabout.

The Parish Council has identified possible problems with the current sewerage system and increased pressure on the school and medical provision. However, responses and comments are welcomed from local people and residents requiring further information are welcome to attend the next Council meeting on January 8th. 2019