

## SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL

### NEWS ITEMS

#### SPEED WATCH

At the recent public meeting many parishioners raised concerns about the excessive speed of traffic on roads in the parish and as a result the Council has had discussions with the police and the Safer Road Partnership. A request has been made to have action taken on most of the roads leading into Shawbury Village. We have been informed that the Safer Road Partnership will gather speed data on the various roads and then decide on the most appropriate action, which could result in the use of the Speed Enforcement Van; traffic management or the use of Community Speed Watch.

Community Speed Watch is a project which involves volunteers carrying out speed checks on identified roads. The scheme requires at least six volunteers who, after a police vetting process, will receive training in the way to carry out checks and use the radar equipment.

The volunteers notify the Safer Neighbourhood team of the date they intend to operate and send details of offending vehicles to the Safer Road Partnership who will dispatch a letter to the vehicle's registered keeper.

If you are willing to become a volunteer and undertake the necessary training please contact the Parish Clerk – Jack Wilson on 01743 236810 or email [shawburypcclerk@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:shawburypcclerk@tiscali.co.uk).

With regard to problems in White Lodge Park, Shropshire Council have been asked to provide painted 20mph warning signs on the roads through the estate to ensure that drivers are aware of the new speed restriction.

#### VANDALISM/ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Council Members are becoming very concerned about the increasing level of low level crime throughout the Parish. A lot of money has been spent on providing facilities in the Parish and many of these are being damaged or destroyed by a few mindless individuals.

Until recently it has been relatively quiet and the Council is seeking police action to prevent the situation deteriorating into the level it was a few years ago. Members are seeking an urgent meeting with a senior police officer and members of the public are urged to report any observed incidents to the police on telephone number 101 or crime stoppers. There is an urgent need to work together to stamp out this needless vandalism.