

Chairman's Report Nov 25

This Monday, prior to the main meeting, we have the chance to speak to the SCC Portfolio Holder for Planning, Cllr David Walker. This will be a chance to voice our concerns about the proposed large scale development of our village. In particular, I would like to ascertain his view on the debacle of the meeting of the planning committee on the 19th August when a proposal to reject the Redrow application was overturned by the council's development manager. This result was that the application was deferred instead. Redrow have now submitted a slightly revised plan which in no way meets the concerns raised by the planning committee. This revised application will go before the committee in the next few weeks. Interestingly, we have received SC's proposal on New Design Guidance Documents which, as it states, should provide guidance for all new dwellings in Shropshire on issues such as layout, character and appearance, connectivity, inclusivity, sustainability and function. The Lyth Hill application fails on all counts!

With the current dire financial situation at Shropshire Council, Julie and I were concerned that the monies awarded to the Parish Council but held by SC in respect of the Oaklands school site, could be at risk of being lost if the council went into administration. We have taken steps to have this money transferred to us to proceed the Pavilion project. We also have a meeting with RenewEV this coming Thursday, hopefully to find out the amount of our stage two grant funding.

Finally, If you can attend, our Remembrance Service is at 11am on Tuesday at the Memorial Hall.

Rob Ruscoe.