

Possible service reductions of approx. £20m have now been tentatively identified to try and partially address the ongoing £62m Council revenue shortfall for the coming year 2025/26. The now very desperate root and branch review of all Shropshire Council services continues.

Shropshire Council are transferring their entire administration out of Shirehall and down into the former Shrewsbury Borough Council Guild Hall on the riverside at Frankwell. The fully vacated Column site to then be cleared and marketed for new housing development.

The government funded demolition and redevelopment of Shrewsbury riverside centre is well underway and related temporary traffic restrictions are being put in place on Ravens Meadow. Separately a detailed history of this area from 1974 to 2024 is also being compiled.

In addition to the new charging policy for green waste collection, a prior appointment system for future visitors to the waste disposal facility at Harlescott is also being introduced!

Severn-Trent is introducing a scheme to deliver nature-based flood management measures all along the route of Rhea Brook.

Following a comprehensive recent inspection OFSTED have praised Shropshire Council for the quality of their county wide Looked after Children services.

Locally: A lobby to officially recognise the path alongside the Rhea brook as a designated Right of Way, thereby preventing close ploughing of this popular walk, is ongoing.

A large group from the bowling club have, over three weekends, applied preservative to the edging timber right around the green and have coated/painted all the benches and shelters.

The sad felling of our ancient Oak tree on the crossroads was deemed necessary due to the virulent fungal disease visible around its root base. Although footway safety is much improved the loss of this landmark tree is very much regretted . . .

Thankyou to the residents of Lodge Crescent and of Wentworth Close who retrieved their damaged/vandalised street signs. Both are now marked on the SC repair & renewal list.

