

The root and branch review of all Council services and their delivery continues. Officers remain hopeful that the £62m shortfall in revenue can be substantially reduced over time.

The accelerated proposals to vacate Shire Hall and relocate into Shrewsbury Town Centre are to be subject of a detailed report to Councillors at their next Council meeting in September.

Since the onset of nationwide disorder and demonstration in early August, the Council's Emergency Planning team have remained in close contact with Police and Government Intelligence services to try and address any such problems erupting across Shropshire.

Following the successful bid for government bus grant, Park & Ride service fares have now been reduced to £1.00 for all return trips to/from Shrewsbury town centre.

A new "gamma camera" unit has been created at Royal Shrewsbury Hospital which will hopefully reduce present waiting times for cancer screening.

**Locally:** It is planned to close Lower Pulley Lane on 18th/19th of November to enable BT to safely undertake essential service remedial work.

Re-dredging of the roadside ditch alongside the Lower Pulley Lane has been undertaken by SC Highways to try and avoid the recurrence of deep flooding of the carriage way down there.

The long-promised fascia redecoration of our Shopping Parade has at last been completed!

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