

Wem Rural Parish Council

Action Plan 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018

Monitoring Report date: 6 March 2018

Title	Issue	Action	Objective	Timescale	Update	Completed
Communication						
	Website	To keep website up to date and to expand Business and Club & Society's sections	To improve local awareness and stimulate community spirit	On-going	Updated as and when required	
	Rural Review	To ensure 3 editions are published	To improve local awareness and stimulate community spirit especially for those who cannot access the website.	On-going	3 newsletters distributed to every household and business in the Pariah per annum.	
Community Groups						
	To improve the range of local facilities.	To work with and assist in practical ways and through the Community Grants Scheme and Community-Led Housing Grant.	To increase capacity of groups and facilities with the aim of improving the well-being of parish residents	On-going	See minutes and website. 2017/18 Grants advertised in November edition of Rural Review. Considered at February 2018 meetings	
Parish Plan Actions						
	Broadband in the Parish	Monitor progress of the project 'Connecting Shropshire' as it relates to the Parish. Survey of connectivity to be carried out and to explore other means of broadband if necessary.	To ensure the maximum speed is available to residents and businesses in the Parish.	On-going	Connecting Shropshire Phase 2 Procurement to be approved by SC August 2016. Survey of residents completed and results with BT/Openreach for review. Chris Taylor, Connecting Shropshire, to attend November 2017 PC meeting. Ben Walker, Connecting Shropshire, attended November 2017 PC meeting. Update to be included in November Rural Review. Transmitter at Oaklands to go live in Spring 2018. Update in February Rural Review.	
	Rights of Way	To identify and map issues within the rights of way within the Parish especially the Shropshire Way.	To improve footpaths, generate/increase awareness and usage and ensure that footpaths are regularly maintained	On-going	Repairs to 2 sections reported and monitored. Appeals for 'mapping' of accessibility in Rural Review. To date only a couple of responses.	

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Planning Policy	Future Development in the Parish	To consult with residents.	To develop a Planning Policy for the Parish.	12 months	Housing Needs Survey completed and results published. Task and Finish Group continuing work with partners prior to recommending course of action. Consultation in November Rural Review to consider becoming a Cluster under SC's Local Plan Review. December 2017 – resolved to become Cluster as part of Local Plan Review	
Local Council Award Scheme	Governance, community engagement and Council improvement.	To review criteria	To work towards 'Quality' Level	12 months	Working to Foundation Level – application to be submitted September 2017. Awarded Foundation Level October 2017.	