

## Shawbury & PCC Election Results

Electors in the Shawbury Division went to the polls on Thursday 6th May, to elect their unitary council representative for the next four year period to May 2025. The results were as follows:

- Simon Paul Anderson Jones (Conservative) - 783 votes (*elected*)
- Adrian Howard Brown (Liberal Democrats) - 714 votes

The Police and Crime Commissioner election (postponed from May 2020) was also held on the same day, and John Campion was re-elected, after only the first preference vote.

The full results of the poll were:

- John-Paul Campion (The Conservative Party) = 179,411 votes (*elected*)
- Jewell, Peter Anthony (Reform UK) = 16,519 votes
- Rowley, Alexandra Margaret (Liberal Democrats) = 50,699 votes
- Sahota, Kuldeep (Labour Party Candidate) = 77,664.

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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Changes to the regulations governing Council meetings meant that this month's meeting could not be held on line using Zoom, so for the first time in twelve months the meeting was held in the Village Hall under strict Covid distancing. This meant that it was not possible to allow members of the public to attend and raise issues without an appointment and the same regulations will apply to the meeting in June.

As this was the Annual General Meeting of the Council the first business was the election of officers and representatives. Councillor John Kennedy was re-elected un-opposed as Chairman with Councillor Brian Lyon appointed again as Vice Chairman also un-opposed. Councillors then took on board responsibility for attendance at various committees and for overseeing areas of Council work. Full details of these can be found in the draft minutes which are already posted on the Council's web site.

**Parish Council Election:** Disappointment was expressed that there had been no need for an election as only eight people had completed an application for the twelve seats and all of those were existing Council Members. This means that there are four vacancies which the Council can fill by 'adopting' members and if you are interested please get in touch as soon as possible.

**Children's Play Areas:** It was reported that work was already underway in up-dating the play areas and replacing worn out equipment and ground matting and it was expected that work on both sites would be completed by the end of May.

**Street Lighting:** It was noted that the concrete and sodium lighting owned by the Council in sections of Millbrook and Bridgeway had been replaced and that quotations had been requested to enable improvements to be carried out to the lighting in the Carradine area.

**Annual Parish Meeting:** By law the Council has to hold a meeting each year which is open to all residents but last year because of all the Coronavirus regulations this was not possible. If the Government's 'Road Map' proceeds as planned this year's meeting will be held in the Village Hall on July 13<sup>th</sup>. as by then it will be possible for people to meet together. Included in the meeting will be the presentation of Community Service Awards so if you know of people you feel should be nominated please forwarded the details to the Clerk. We feel sure there will be residents who have done outstanding work in dealing with issues related to the epidemic.

**Shawbury United Community Sports Centre:** Members were very pleased to hear that the committee had received the promise of a considerable grant from Shropshire Council generated by the Community Infrastructure Fund related to the development of the Oaklands Estate. This grant together with grants made by the Parish Council and other organisations make it possible that the project should now be able to progress.

## Local Church Information

St Mary the Virgin—Shawbury

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or email [revrichcresswell@gmail.com](mailto:revrichcresswell@gmail.com)

Mr C Corbett (Reader) 01939 220312

### St Mary's Services

June 2021

Thur 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10am Midweek Holy Communion
Sun 6 <sup>th</sup>	11am Worship Together
Thur 10 <sup>th</sup>	10am Midweek Holy Communion
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup>	11am Holy Communion
Thur 17 <sup>th</sup>	10am Midweek Holy Communion
Sun 20 <sup>th</sup>	11am Morning Worship
Thur 24 <sup>th</sup>	10am Midweek Morning Prayer
Sun 27 <sup>th</sup>	11am Holy Communion

For weddings, baptisms and other matters, please contact Reverend Rich Cresswell on 01939 250990 / [revrichcresswell@gmail.com](mailto:revrichcresswell@gmail.com) to arrange to meet. For further information go to [www.shropshirechurches.uk](http://www.shropshirechurches.uk)

### Shawbury Parish Council

Chairman—Mr John Kennedy.

Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month normally in the Shawbury Village Hall (presently via Zoom) at 7.00pm. There is a short public session prior to the start of each meeting. Council details are on the website: [www.shawbury-pc.gov.uk](http://www.shawbury-pc.gov.uk)

Jack Wilson Parish Clerk contact details

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### Local Shropshire Councillor

If you have any issues or concerns please contact Simon Jones on 01939 250067 or email: [simon.p.jones@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:simon.p.jones@shropshire.gov.uk)

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Mobile Library Friday 11th June 2021,

0930—1030

### Car Park next to the Church

The Mobile Libraries are continuing to offer Ready Reads (click and collect). Where borrowers pick up a bag of staff selected books at their normal stop. A further review will take place in June to determine what service will follow on from the Ready Reads service. The drivers will be contacting all their borrowers to let them know and to take orders for their Ready Reads.

<http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/libraries/mobile-libraries/>



### NEWS FROM ST MARY'S CHURCH

## POTHoles AND STABILISERS

Some of you will have seen me cycling around the village. In fact, I'm thinking of ordaining my bike so that I can name him Rev O'Lution! Living on Millbrook Drive, my commute to St Mary's Church often leads me over some of the worst potholes in the village, at the junction between the A53 and the Wem Road. The junction is bad enough in a car, but it's a nightmare on my bike. I sometimes wish I had stabilisers, to help me stay upright. To top it all, the traffic lights have been on the blink a few times.

The last 18 months have felt a bit like that junction. Potholes everywhere in life. Things that have the potential to make us skid sideways and slip up. Feeling like we're stuck at a permanent red light. COVID hasn't been kind (and, in Shropshire, we've got off lightly compared with other parts of the UK and the world).

I've felt like I've needed stabilisers in life. But, as a Christian, I know that God is with me at every turn. In the same way that, when my boys were learning to cycle, I ran behind them with a guiding hand ready to steady their saddle, nudge the handlebars or catch them when they fell, I have invited God to guide me by his Holy Spirit – keeping me going, offering words of encouragement, nudging me in better directions and ready to catch me when I fall.

Where do you find the support and stability you need in the potholes of life?

May God's blessing rest upon you.

Rich

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- Mobile top ups

# The Future Distribution and Content of Shawbury News

Thank you to all those who responded to the newsletter distribution flyer.

Following on from the responses, there will be a blend of newsletters delivered to residents, pick-up points in the village, and an emailed version of the newsletter.

## Newsletter Content

As the COVID restrictions are slowly relaxed, and life begins to take on something closer to normality –we want to know what is going on in the village and surrounding areas.

The newsletter is an ideal platform to make contact with people in the village, and hopefully bring people back together in sharing activities across the village.

Simply email [shawburynews@gmail.com](mailto:shawburynews@gmail.com) and we'll see about getting it on these pages!

## Did you know British Red Cross has a Home from Hospital service?

We provide short term support (approx. 6 weeks) for people who have recently been discharged from hospital. This could include befriending support over the telephone or at a home visit. Help with practical tasks like shopping or collecting a prescription. We can also offer more information and a free trial of a pendant alarm, if there is a risk of the patient falling on their return home.

**We are currently recruiting for Home from Hospital volunteers -**

Just a couple of hours of your time each week can help people regain their independence following a hospital stay.

Please contact Donna on 07803 439380 or the Shrewsbury office on 01743 457810 for more information. Or if you prefer to go online here is the link to the volunteer advert; <http://bit.ly/ILShropshire>

We would also love to hear from you if you, or someone you know would benefit from support following a hospital stay.

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## WALKING FOR HEALTH

**THE MONDAY WALKS WILL RESUME FROM**

**MONDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**

**Meeting at 10 am at Village Hall**

**Local walks only to begin with (no car sharing)**

**Refreshments outdoors to comply with current Covid rules**

**\*Please wear a face covering to enter the building\***



**1<sup>st</sup> Shawbury Rainbows are looking for new volunteers to run the Rainbow unit.**

**Can you inspire girls with new experiences helping them learn new skills, develop friendships and fun?**

**Girlguiding volunteers make a difference to girls and the community, learning new skills yourself with friendship and laughter!**

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