

Localism and Locality Working - Shropshire Council's approach

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Localism Bill

- Fundamental power shift from Westminster to people;
- Promote decentralisation and democratic engagement;
- New powers to local councils, neighbourhoods and individuals;
- Action to support and encourage social responsibility, volunteering and philanthropy;
- Make it easier for people to come together to improve their communities to help one another.

Source: Coalition Agreement 2010

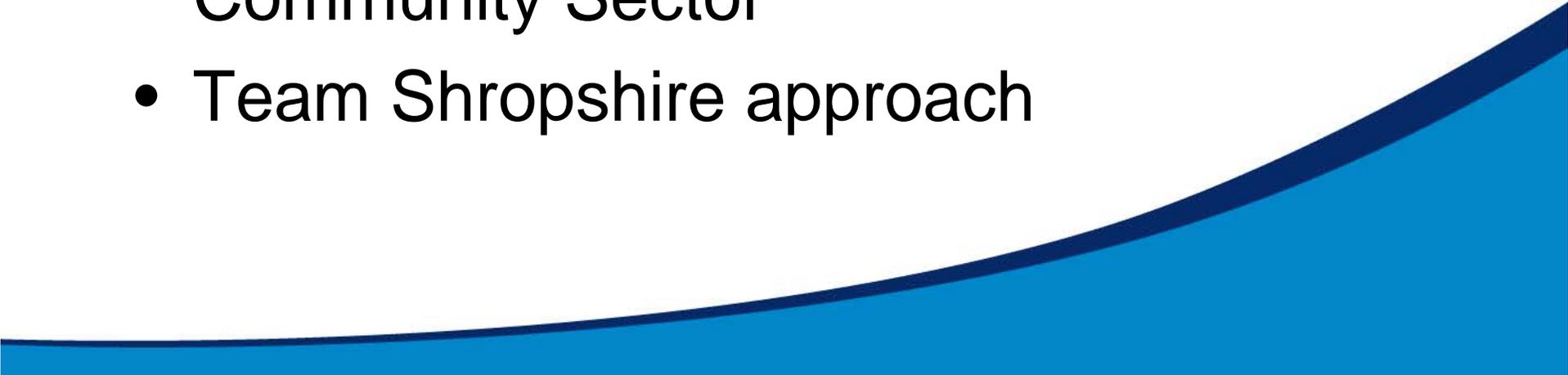
Key Headlines

- More power for individuals
 - Personal budgets, direct payments, free schools, ‘arm chair auditors’, GP/Clinical Commissioners, choice of providers;
- More power for communities
 - Community Budgets, Police and Crime Commissioners, Neighbourhood Planning, Community Right to Buy/Challenge/Build;
- (A little) more power for local government
 - Opening up public services, ability to trade, commissioning role, power of general competence, retention of business rates.

Locality Working – key areas of activity

- Community Leadership role of elected members
- Relationship with Town and Parish Councils
- Place Plans
- Neighbourhood Planning

Locality Working – key areas of activity

- Market Towns Regeneration Programme
 - Capacity Building in the Voluntary and Community Sector
 - Team Shropshire approach
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Any Questions?

