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Date: Thursday, 27 November
2014

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Committee:
Albrighton Area Local Joint Committee

Date: Wednesday, 3 December 2014
Time: 7.00 pm
Venue: The Red House, High Street, Albrighton, WV7 3JU

You are requested to attend the above meeting.
The Agenda is attached

Claire Porter
Corporate Head of Legal and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer)

Members of Albrighton Area Local Joint Committee

Malcolm Pate (Chairman)	Peter Mycroft
Stuart West (Vice Chairman)	Sylvia Pledger
David Thomas	Hugh Kirton

Your Committee Officer is:

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AGENDA

1 Election of Chair

2 Appointment of Vice Chair

3 Welcome, Introductions and Apologies for Absence

4 Declarations of Interest

Members are reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

5 Notes from the meeting held on the 5 February and 18 March 2014 (Pages 1 - 4)

To confirm the notes of the meetings held on 5th February and 18th March 2014, attached.

6 PACT - Partners and Communities Together (including Police and Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service)

To receive feedback from recent PACT meetings and updates from the local policing team and fire service as appropriate.

7 Broadband Update (Pages 5 - 6)

To note the Connecting Shropshire Newsletter and update, attached.

8 Review of Parish Plan Priorities (Pages 7 - 14)

This item will be introduced by David Beechey on behalf of Albrighton Parish Council. A Shropshire Place Plans Overview briefing paper is attached and list of Place Plan Priorities also attached.

For additional information:

Place Plans: <http://shropshire.gov.uk/planning-policy/place-plans/>

Resource Pack: <http://shropshire.gov.uk/media/832432/Resource-Pack-final.pdf>

email: planning.policy@shropshire.gov.uk

9 Public Question Time / Identification of Future Agenda Items

To identify potential items for future meetings. Members of the public can make suggestions and ask questions using the forms provided at the meeting.

10 Date of Next Meeting

To be confirmed in due course.

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**NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 5 FEBRUARY 2014
AT THE RED HOUSE, HIGH STREET, ALBRIGHTON**

Community Action Officer: Andrea McWilliams

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Committee Members Present

Malcolm Pate	– Shropshire Council
Stuart West	– Shropshire Council
David Beechey	– Albrighton Parish Council
Rebecca Bennett-Casserly	– Boningale Parish Council
Fred Shelley	– Donington with Boscobel Parish Council
Peter Mycroft	– Tong Parish Council

Officers present:

Andrea McWilliams, Community Action Officer

Also in attendance:

Sgt Richard Bailey	- West Mercia Police
PC Nick Allbutt	– West Mercia Police
Paul Tulley	- Shropshire Clinical Commissioning Group

1. Chairman's Introduction

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Confirmation of Notes

RESOLVED: that the notes of the meeting held on 3rd July 2013 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

None were disclosed

4. Partners and Communities Together (PACT) – West Mercia Police and Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service

PC Nick Allbutt updated the meeting on the latest crime statistics for the area. He highlighted the importance of reporting crime through 101 or in the event of an emergency 999 and reminded everyone of the twitter accounts available to follow shifnalcops, bridgnorthcops and southshropshirecops.

He advised that if he was invited and was on duty, he would attend parish council meetings if there was something specific to discuss. He also advised that he would attend the Albrighton Fayre in July as long as no other incidents occurred on the day.

Stuart West gave an update on behalf of the Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service to say that until the level of government grant was known there would be no decision on

closing stations. He assured the meeting that every effort was being made to limit the cuts for Shropshire.

5. Clinical Services Review – Update from Paul Tulley, Shropshire CCG

Paul Tulley updated the meeting on the ongoing review of clinical services for Shropshire. The review would look at a range of issues and would take into account future changes in population. Public consultation would be on-going throughout the process and he confirmed that this time next year they would have a better view of long term need. He confirmed that capital investment would be needed. Members of the committee and public agreed that access to services in such rural locations needed to be seriously addressed.

6. Broadband – Connecting Shropshire Newsletter 2013

Noted, that Albrighton would be one of the first villages to get connected to superfast broadband.

7. Funding Applications Summary

RESOLVED: that the following applications be approved:

Donington & Albrighton Nature Reserve	581.00
Albrighton & district Historical Society	610.00
2497 (Cosford) Squadron Air Training Corps	2000.00
Albrighton & District Footpaths Group	600.00
Say Yes, Shifnal & Albrighton Christian Youth Project	350.00
Albrighton Village Halls Trust	1950.00
Albrighton Patient Participation Group	371.50
Albrighton Arts & Heritage Forum	600.00
Albrighton Fayre Committee	500.00
Albrighton Traders' Association – Shopwatch Radio Link Scheme	250.00

8. Other issues of concern raised at the meeting

Dog Fouling – some concern was expressed about additional signage being required at Donington Nature Reserve. Concern was also expressed about there being only one Dog Warden for the whole of south Shropshire – ACTION complaint to be forwarded to the Street Scene Service.

Council Tax correspondence – a member of the public raised a concern about the generic nature of correspondence received from the Council Tax and Benefits Services and that it would be preferable to have contact details of more local offices and stamped addressed envelopes should be available – ACTION complaint to be passed to the Benefits Service.

Shropshire Council budgets - following concern being expressed about the state of the roads in Albrighton, the Chairman explained that cash flow was currently limited as there was a spending freeze in place. The public were assured that the contractors were being challenged about any apparent reduction in quality of work. The Chairman also explained that Shropshire Council was working towards being a commissioning authority and were working towards delivering services in a different way.

STAR Housing - noted that George Evans was now a voluntary representative on the tenants groups within the south east area.

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**NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 18 MARCH 2014
AT THE RED HOUSE, HIGH STREET, ALBRIGHTON**

Community Action Officer: Andrea McWilliams

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Committee Members Present

Malcolm Pate	– Shropshire Council
Stuart West	– Shropshire Council
David Beechey	– Albrighton Parish Council
Peter Hurlstone	– Donington with Boscobel Parish Council
Peter Mycroft	– Tong Parish Council

Officer present:

Andrea McWilliams, Community Action Officer

1. Apologies for Absence

An apology for absence was received from David Thomas.

2. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

None were disclosed

3. Funding Applications Summary

RESOLVED: that the following applications be approved:

Albrighton & Donington PC's – Summer Playscheme	570.00
Albrighton Village Park (Abney Avenue)	750.00
Albrighton Skateboard Park	250.00
Albrighton Village Halls Trust	1999.50

RESOLVED: that the application for Patshull Home Farm Management Group be refused.

The Chairman confirmed there would be no further funding available through the LJC.

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Update from Connecting Shropshire for Albrighton Area LIC

Connecting Shropshire is a £26m programme to bring fibre broadband to the more rural parts of the Shropshire Council area, where private companies are not going to provide it as part of their commercial plans. The programme has already started to provide people with access to fibre broadband with download speeds of up to 80mbps, about 10x faster than the average for the county as a whole. More than 23,000 homes and businesses across a range of exchange areas, from Albrighton to Alberbury and St Martins to Clungunford, are now within reach of the new fibre broadband network that we're building.

The parishes in the LIC area are mainly covered by the Albrighton exchange area, which was one of the first to be upgraded to fibre broadband by Connecting Shropshire.

Most of the work to upgrade the roadside cabinets in the exchange area has been done so over 1,300 premises in the LIC are now within reach of the new fibre optic network. There is still one structure that is being built to serve about 140 premises in the north of the village in the Windsor Road area, this work is planned for autumn 2015.

Not all premises served by a fibre enabled cabinet will necessarily get a speed enhancement due to the distance down the copper line from the cabinet to the premises. We are aware that this is an issue in Tong and parts of Donington parish. However, all premises in the area will be provided with access to download speeds greater than 2mbps by the end of 2016 if they don't already get them.

To connect to fibre broadband, people will need to contact their chosen internet service provider to upgrade their broadband package, the broadband speeds won't increase automatically.



Openreach engineer Dave Bant working on a fibre cabinet

Visit our website: <http://connectingshropshire.co.uk/when-and-where/> to check which exchange area and cabinet serves your premises and to check availability of fibre broadband. Also on the website, there is lots of information including FAQs and why faster fibre broadband is important for homes and businesses.

Any assistance that you can provide in spreading the word to your contacts about the availability of this fibre broadband network would be fantastic. The more people that switch to the new network, the more likely that we'll have more resources to provide fibre broadband to more parts of the Council area. On request, Connecting Shropshire staff can provide posters and flyers as well as attending local events and other assistance.

If any Parish would like a member of the Connecting Shropshire team to attend a Parish Council meeting to provide a more detailed update, please let us know on connecting.shropshire@shropshire.gov.uk

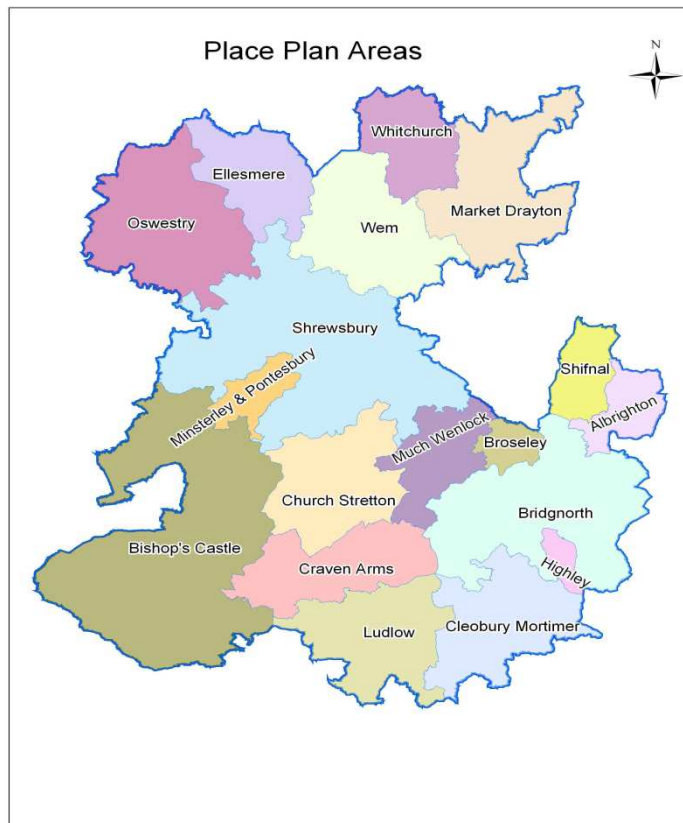
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Shropshire Place Plans- Overview (October 2014)

What are the Place Plans?

In Shropshire, 18 Place Plans have been produced which identify the infrastructure and investment required within each community to ensure Shropshire Council and our partners understand the local priorities and resources are targeted appropriately.

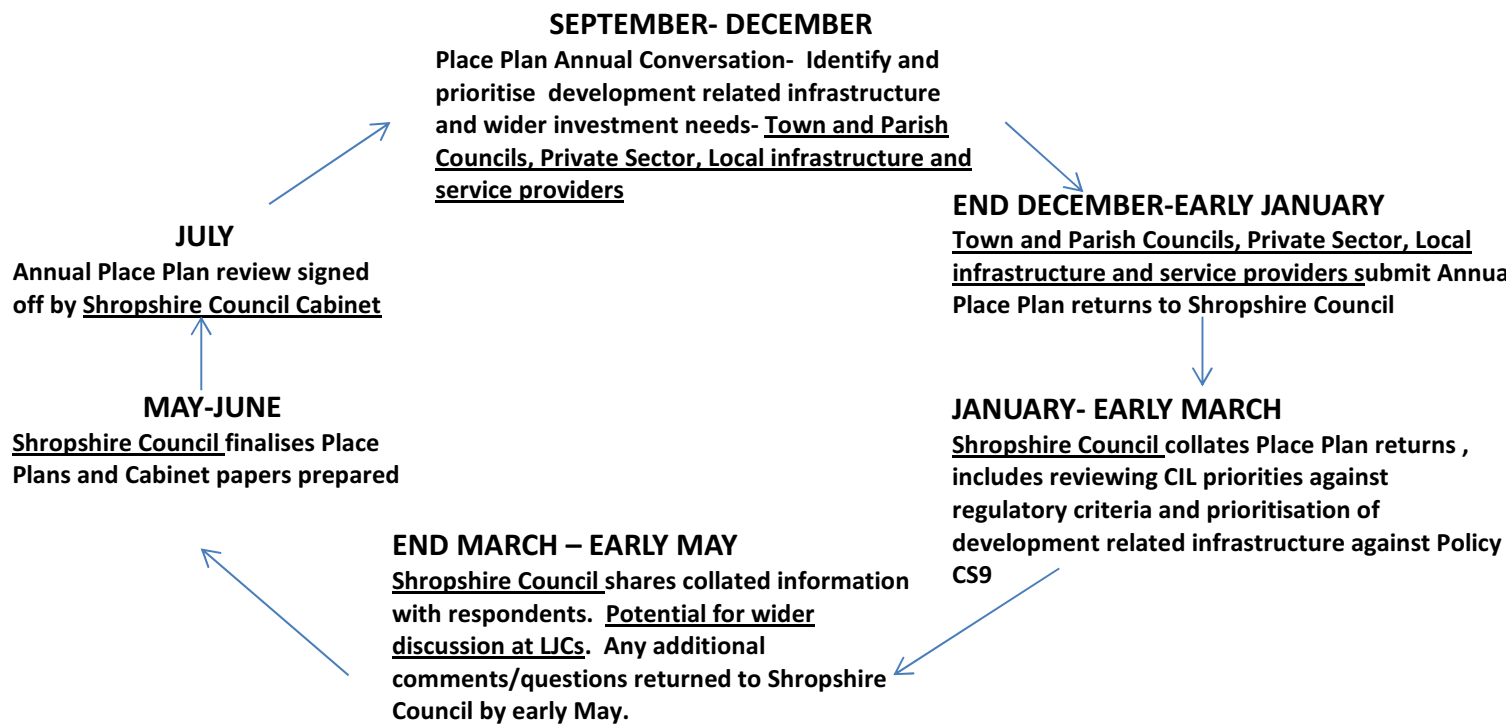
The 18 Place Plans are based around the 18 main market towns/key centres of Shrewsbury, Oswestry, Whitchurch, Wem, Ellesmere, Market Drayton, Minsterley/Pontesbury, Ludlow, Bishops Castle, Church Stretton, Cleobury Mortimer, Craven Arms, Bridgnorth, Albrighton, Broseley, Highley, Much Wenlock and Shifnal) and their wider hinterland as shown on the map below:



How are the Place Plans developed?

The Place Plans are 'live' documents that are kept up-to-date through an annual review. As such, the Place Plans provide a framework for an annual conversation with communities, businesses and local infrastructure and service providers. As part of this annual conversation, we ask that our partners review the information currently contained within the Place Plans and notify us of any changes that they wish to make.

The annual review cycle commences each September and finishes each January with feedback provided to respondents between March and May prior to finalising and publishing the Place Plans in July.



How are the Place Plans structured?

Each Place Plan is divided into two main sections

- i) Development related infrastructure ii) Wider investment needs.

As part of the annual conversation, we ask partners to review both sections and consider the following:

- 1) Development related infrastructure- What are the infrastructure needs within your area which are associated with new development and how would you prioritise these? Which of the infrastructure items do you consider should form a focus of monies received from new development (eg Community Infrastructure Levy)
- 2) Wider investment needs- What are the investment needs within your area (irrespective of development) and how would you prioritise these?

How are the Place Plans used?

The Place Plans form a basis for long term partnership working across Shropshire providing a detailed evidence of local investment needs and building consensus around local priorities.

As such, they offer many opportunities including:

- Identifying where to seek future developer contributions (including CIL, S106 and on site design) as part of new development
- Providing a focus for Shropshire Council to target service delivery at locally identified priorities.
- Identifying opportunities for seeking economies of scale, including local service providers pooling resources, skills, and time.
- Identifying opportunities to bid for external funding
- Establishing ongoing processes of collaborative working through relationship building and establishing a shared vision for Shropshire's settlements, what needs to be done and how it will be achieved.
- Providing transparency to local communities on the level of investment that is being directed to their area.
- Providing an area based resource of local information and evidence, designed to help inform and shape future decisions by all concerned with addressing important local issues.

For further information, please see <http://shropshire.gov.uk/planning-policy/place-plans/> or contact Hayley Deighton, Principal Policy Officer, Shropshire Council (Hayley.deighton@shropshire.gov.uk, 01743 252423)

Albrighton Area LJC - Review of Place Plan priorities
3rd December 2014

**Core Strategy Policy CS9 (Infrastructure Contributions) provides the framework for
prioritising infrastructure requirements, as follows:**

- Critical Infrastructure:** the essentials without which development cannot take place, such as utilities, water management and safe access
- Priority Infrastructure:** that which has been identified by the community as a particular priority at that point in time
- Key Infrastructure:** all other infrastructure not included in the previous two categories

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ALBRIGHTON PARISH			
	COMMENTS	Current level of Priority (Critical / Priority / Key)	Funding / Developer contributions (CIL / S106)
Housing and Sustainable Communities			
Affordable Housing		PRIORITY	S106
Housing for vulnerable people	Includes provision to support sustainable independent living for vulnerable peoples integrated preventative service provision	KEY	
Improving and adapting existing houses		KEY	
Aids & adaptations for social housing tenants		KEY	
Extra care housing		KEY	
Regeneration of Sheldon Court	Conversion of one bedroom to two bedroom accommodation	KEY	
Review of garage sites		KEY	
Council tenants and community involvement	Work with tenants to help with financial inclusion, budget planning and reduction of anti-social behaviour	KEY	
Economic Investment & Opportunity			

Facilitation of ICT/ Broadband facilities	Provision of superfast broadband achieved but support required for local Broadplace to help older residents in particular to gain ICT skills	KEY	CIL (Local)
Possible extension of area of light industry in Cross Road			
Incorporate Cosford area in High Technology Corridor	Not clear whether High Technology Corridor still exists		
Explore potential for use of some buildings on Cosford site for technology based employment/ training	It is understood that the Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP), in conjunction with neighbouring LEPs was promoting the idea of a high technology training establishment at Cosford. Is this still the case?		
Explore opportunities for employment in the child care sector			
Secure funding for basic shop front repairs and redecoration		KEY	
Implement signage scheme to promote local trade	Signage scheme implemented	PRIORITY	
Refurbish Village Hall	Refurbishment ongoing	PRIORITY	
Social & Community Infrastructure			
Review of primary and secondary school places to ensure sufficient provision	Depends on future defence proposals at Cosford	PRIORITY	N/A
Provision of replacement GP Surgery	Depends on availability of NHS funding and possible developer contributions (CIL)	PRIORITY	CIL (local)
On-site open space provision	Section 106/CIL	PRIORITY	On site design, S106
Provision and maintenance of sport	Improvements to Abney Avenue facilities almost complete	PRIORITY	Neighbourhood fund

and leisure facilities including changing facilities			CIL (local)
Support for Albrighton Flyer		PRIORITY	CIL (local)
Review Children's Centre services		PRIORITY	Neighbourhood fund CIL (local)
Environment & Climate Change			
Assessment of local flood risk	Major drainage improvements have been provided by Severn Trent, Environment Agency and Shropshire Council	PRIORITY	CIL (local)
Production of operational flood response plan		PRIORITY	S106
Improvements to the street scene	Includes addressing excessive weed growth on footways, unkempt appearance of lamp standards, bollards and other street furniture and dog fouling. Also consideration of replacement of some modern railings with more traditional designs and selective landscaping	KEY	Neighbourhood fund
Urban landscape character assessment		KEY	Neighbourhood fund
Survey of important views in and out of village	Includes introduction of accessible public areas such as walkways and seating	KEY	Neighbourhood fund
Production of list of locally important buildings		KEY	Neighbourhood fund
Community Archaeological Fund	Possible support for targeted community led archaeology projects	KEY	Neighbourhood fund
Community tree scheme	Opportunities to enhance natural environment	KEY	Neighbourhood fund
Transport & Accessibility			
Junction capacity, sustainability and safety	To be determined as part of development proposals	CRITICAL	S106

improvements to facilitate particular development sites			
Local highway improvements		CRITICAL	CIL (local)
Additional access and car parking	Preservation of ramp at Albrighton Railway Station identified with accompanying engineering work to adjacent highway to make exit from the ramp safe	PRIORITY	CIL (local)
Resurfacing and possible extension of Crown car park	Includes improved visual amenity and provision of wayfinding signs and landscaping.	PRIORITY	Neighbourhood fund
Rights of way improvements	Includes replacement of stiles with gates and general improvements	KEY	Neighbourhood fund
Installation of historic finger posts, way marks and street signs		KEY	Neighbourhood fund
Maintenance of village green roads		KEY	Neighbourhood fund
BONINGALE PARISH			
Economic Investment & Opportunity			
Facilitation of ICT/ Broadband			
Social & Community Infrastructure			
On site open space provision			
Provision and maintenance of sport and leisure facilities			
Community tree scheme		KEY	
St Leonard's Priory	Identified as heritage at risk, vulnerable to vandalism	KEY	

DONINGTON WITH BOSCOBEL PARISH

Economic Investment & Opportunity			
Facilitation of ICT/Broadband technologies		KEY	CIL (local)
Social & Community Infrastructure			
Provision and maintenance of sport and leisure facilities		PRIORITY	Neighbourhood fund CIL (local)
Environment & Climate Change			
Management of Local Nature Reserve		KEY	
Community Tree Scheme		KEY	Neighbourhood fund

TONG PARISH

Economic Investment & Opportunity			
Facilitation of ICT/ Broadband		KEY	CIL (local)
Social & Community Infrastructure			
On site open space provision		PRIORITY	On site design S106
Provision and maintenance of sport and leisure facilities		PRIORITY	Neighbourhood fund CIL (local)
Church repairs and maintenance		KEY	Neighbourhood fund
Restart neighbourhood		KEY	

watch scheme			
Improved Parish communication	Establish Parish website	KEY	
Environment & Climate Change			
Improved rubbish & recycling facilities	The Parish Council has identified a need for weekly collections, local recycling facilities & skips/lorries for collection of bulky items on a planned basis	KEY	
Community Tree Scheme		KEY	
Transport & Accessibility			
Local highway improvements, traffic management, parking provision and speed & safety enhancements	The Parish Council has identified a need for a 30 mph speed limit in Tong & Tong Norton, a Parish wide traffic policy, suitable parking in Tong and discouraging parking in areas that cause traffic problems	KEY	CIL (local)

Comments received will be considered at the Parish Council meeting on 18th December 2014, therefore the deadline for submission of comments is **Monday, 15th December 2014**. Please submit your comments in writing direct to the PC office at 82 High Street, Albrighton, WV7 3JA, 01902 375455 or email albrightonparishcouncil@btconnect.com

For additional information:

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