CABINET – 18 NOVEMBER 2026

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

1. John Palmer

   The COVID-19 Inquiry Module 1 Report published on 18 July 2024 by Chair Heather Hallett examined emergency preparedness, resilience and response.

   One of the 10 recommendations was holding a mandatory UK-wide pandemic response exercise at least once every 3 years, and publishing the lessons learned.

   Exercise Pegasus concluded on 5 November 2025: Shropshire Council was involved via the West Mercia Local Resilience Forum.

   Why is there no information on Shropshire Council's website about how prepared Shropshire Council is judged to be, following this exercise?

   Have Cabinet got their eye on the ball?

2. David Kilby, on behalf of Shropshire Playing Fields Association

   1. If S.P.F.A produce the necessary evidence demonstrating a need for the two court sports pitch area at the Shirehall Site Shrewsbury, will Shropshire Council listen to the evidence and withdraw their intent to sell the two court sports pitch area?

   2. At a previous meeting of the cabinet (14 July 2026) S.P.F.A asked: Whether the whole sports area is currently protected from future development, by way of a covenant or deed of dedication?

      The Council failed to provide a response to this question, could they please do so now?

3. Jonathan Owen, Save our Shirehall

   What timescale is anticipated to achieve best value and complete a sale? e.g. issue of invitations / receipt and evaluation / deadline for proposals / negotiations with a preferred purchaser and discharge of conditions?

4. Jane Gallagher, Save our Shirehall

   Will the EoI invitation make reference to a possible leaseback to the Council?

5. John Crowe, Save our Shirehall

   Will any sale include the Unison Club playing fields and Shirehall overflow carpark on London Road?