

- **On 23 June 2014 Shropshire council sent out the following press release.**

In 2012 just under 3.5% of homes in Shropshire were empty. The number of registered empty properties was over 4,600 with over 1,700 of these being empty over six months and classified as long term empty properties.[#]

The vast majority of these properties are privately owned and are dispersed throughout the urban, semi-rural and rural areas of the county. The distribution of empty properties within Shropshire can be seen on the area map in Appendix 1.