

## **ANNUAL REPORT 2018-2019 FOR TOWN AND PARISH COUNCILS CLEOBURY MORTIMER DIVISION**

Again there are continuous changes in the provision of services and funding opportunities for our area. The following gives a synopsis of the work being done by Shropshire Council to facilitate this.

1. The Economy is high on our agenda across the County with help and advice for small business start up and expansion.
2. Agriculture and the production of food is key to our future .
3. A Review of the Counties Local Plan is underway where each Parish and Town are able to have their say on how they see the future upto 2036 .
4. Planning and Design are very much to the forefront during this review.
5. The importance of the links between Health and suitable housing with access to a range of services is recognised.
6. Reduction in the Public Health budget means Shropshire may not be able to provide support for stop smoking, weight control, etc.
7. Continuous work to bring together ALL the services from Hospitals, GP's, Nursing homes, Opticians, Physiotherapy, Dentist, Podiatry, Mental Health etc.
8. £312million funding for regeneration of our Shropshire Hospitals is underway.
9. Public Transport has been highlighted during the Hospital debates and efforts are being made to improve availability.
10. The poor condition of the roads is a major concern and has been recognised by central government with some short term extra money of approx. £2million. The Department is being reorganised and some services brought back 'In house'. It is important that Local Councils continue to send in faults reports and there is an online Shropshire Highways where the public can register any fault.
11. Speeding and poor parking especially adjacent to schools continues to be a problem and will only be solved by individuals being thoughtful.
12. Smart Water is being rolled out in a number of Parishes, hopefully this will help to reduce the spate of robberies out in our more rural areas.
13. I understand that Local Policing is now organised from Ludlow again.

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