

AUGUST NEWSLETTER Shrewley Parish Council

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Your voice matters – please submit your response by 8 September
The proposed Hatton New Community (Proposal HAT) has now been included in the South Warwickshire Local Plan, meaning this is your final opportunity to formally comment before the Plan is examined by a Government Inspector. The proposal could bring 4,558–5,250 new homes and 11,000–12,600 additional residents to the Hatton area, with significant implications. Please don't assume that someone else will respond – every resident should make their own submission. You do not need to be a planning expert: simply explain in your own words. We particularly encourage residents to comment on Proposal HAT, as well as issues such as infrastructure and traffic, loss of Green Belt and farmland, and the impact on surrounding villages. The deadline is Tuesday 8 September 2026, so please submit your response as soon as possible. Use the Council's online consultation portal: <https://southwarwickshire.oc2.uk/document/168>

Your quick checklist

- Register on the portal **early** - don't wait until 8 September.
- Comment on **Policy HAT** at the very least.
- Add any of the other four you care about - even one or two strengthens the case.
- For each, tick "**not sound**", say **what's wrong** and **what change you want**, in your own words.
- Link each point to a test: *is it justified? will it work? does it follow the rules?*
- Keep it **polite, brief and specific** - a calm fact lands better than an angry one.
- Decide whether to tick "**I wish to speak at the hearings.**"
- **Submit** and keep your confirmation.

A few dos and don'ts. Do write in your own words - identical copied responses are counted as one. Do stick to planning points: traffic, infrastructure, Green Belt, the Plan contradicting itself. Don't worry about technical language - plain English is fine. Don't feel you must cover everything. For the latest information please see <https://www.KeepHattonStationRural.com/copy-of-advice-on-responding>

If you would like to receive weekly notifications of local planning applications you can register on the Warwick District Council website <https://planningdocuments.warwickdc.gov.uk/>

Please Keep Pavements Clear in Shrewley Common Please avoid parking partly on the pavement where this blocks or restricts pedestrian access. Pavements need to remain accessible for everyone and blocked pavements can force people into the road. Please park considerately and leave enough space for everyone to pass safely. Thank you.

PLEASE report any issues such as potholes, problems with streetlights, road works or traffic lights online to <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/reportaproblem> and any concerns regarding speeding traffic to <https://warksspeedconcerns.org>

A thermal imaging camera loan scheme is available for Shrewley Parish residents. As the weather gets colder, if you want to borrow the camera to find out where you can save money in your home please contact cllr.sarah.underwood@shrewleyparish.gov.uk

Biodiversity – The RSPB advises carrying on with restricted bird feeding until November and also recommends leaving seed heads on plants over winter, goldfinches particularly love teasels! If you have fallen fruit in your garden, birds and other wildlife will enjoy this natural feast! And finally, you can now cut your hedges, if you've left them uncut over the summer, they've provided valuable shelter and nesting space for wildlife.

For all Shrewley Village Hall events see the Parish/Village Hall notice boards and website www.shrewleyparish.gov.uk or shrewleyvillagehall.co.uk

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Next Parish Council Meeting
Monday 2nd November 7pm

EVERYONE WELCOME – PLEASE COME ALONG

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