

UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS

Shrewsbury Town Council Annual Governance Statement 31st March 2025

Assertion 8 Significant Events

We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions, occurring during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on this smaller authority and, where appropriate have included them in the accounting statements.

Significant Events – The Town Council is not aware of any events that took place in the financial year that have a financial impact on the Town Council, however cognisance should be made of the following:

- i All matters in relation to the treatment of the repurchase of land at Greenfields Recreation Ground has been completed in 2024/25
- ii There remains a dispute between Donors and Greenfields Community Group regarding the use of paid back legal costs and the group's entitlement to use these funds. Until this matter is fully addressed, the Council has resolved not to receive any funding as part payment towards any new infrastructure on site.
- iii The Town Council continues to be greatly impacted by significant emergency scenarios that were unforeseen and beyond their control; namely significant flooding of the River Severn.
- iv The Town Council continues to be in negotiation with Shropshire Council over the future of the Horticultural Service Level Agreement which expired on 31st March 2025.
- v In February 2024 Shropshire Council published its MTFP outlining the need to make £62m of cuts to its revenue budget in 2024/25. These cuts continue to impact on non-statutory services many of which are provided in Shrewsbury. The Town Council has set up a Member / Officer working group to consider the implications of these budget cuts both to the Town Council and the town.
- vi Local elections were held on 1st May 2025 for both Shrewsbury Town and Shropshire Council

Approval of Statement

This statement was approved by the Full Council on Monday 30th June 2025 when authority was granted for the Mayor of Shrewsbury and Town Clerk to sign.

Mayor of Shrewsbury Town Council (Alex Wagner).....

Town Clerk (Helen Ball)

On behalf of Shrewsbury Town Council