

**SHREWSBURY TOWN COUNCIL
COMMUNITIES & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
1 APRIL 2026**

Officer: Andy Jones – Shrewsbury Town Fisheries

FISHERIES UPDATE

Purpose

To update the Council the work of Shrewsbury Town Fisheries.

I am currently busy with the plans for the fisheries for this year and they will be announced in future reports.

Fisheries Works

We have recently assisted Shrewsbury Town Council with the trimming back of trees around the fishing platforms in the Quarry Park. Over half the platforms, 26 in total, have been overgrown and they prevented anglers being able to fish from them. With the prolonged high river levels during the winter over the last three years there has only been very small windows of opportunity to implement any tree maintenance, and this was a last opportunity to do the work for this winter. The fisheries have had numerous comments from the public saying they are glad to see the work being done as they love to see the river and well done to all involved.

Junior Coaching Events

Our coaching events for this year will be added to the website and ready for bookings in the first week of April. In addition, we are also currently booking a number of one to one individual coaching sessions for parents that have made requests independently via email.

Permits Fee Price Increases

The permit price increases for day tickets from £8 to £9 and the Emstrey full season permit from £35 to £40 will be updated on the fisheries website to go live on 1st April.

Bailiffs Patrols

As the river coarse season closed on 15th March our patrols continue to enforce the close season period with the assistance of wildlife police officer on some tours of the river fisheries. The pools all remain open for angling.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the contents of the report are noted.