## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The latest meeting of the Council was held in the Village Hall on the 9<sup>th</sup>. June when Councillor Paul Sharp, the new Chairman, welcomed Tim Davies-Moss who has been coopted to serve on the Council, replacing Chris Kirkup who had resigned earlier in the year. At the same time Brian Lyon, the retiring Chairman, informed Members that he was resigning from the Council as he was leaving the area. This means that there will be two vacancies to be filled by co-option and anyone who would like the details is asked to contact the Chairman or the Parish Clerk.

Other items discussed at the meeting included:

Playing Field Fencing:

It was reported that the proposed plans for the new fencing which have been well publicised had been approved by the Diocese, who own the land which is leased to the Council and by Shropshire Council's planning department. The contract for the work has been awarded to Ray Parry Playgrounds Ltd. and work is due to commence in early September. The new fencing will be installed inside the current fence with the wooden posts being removed as they rot away at the base.

The Annual Audit:

The administration of the Council and its financial records have to be audited in two stages – the first is a local based audit known as the Internal Audit and when that is complete the details have to be sent to auditors based in London for the External Audit. Members were pleased to receive the report from the Internal Auditor giving the Council a clean bill of health on all issues and the documents have now been forwarded to London. These details are available for public scrutiny and can be seen on the Councils web site or be obtained from the Clerk on payment of a £5.00 fee.

Public Space Protection Order – Dog Restraints:

The Council has been informed that following wide consultation this order, which places a range of new restrictions on dog owners, has been produced and approved by Shropshire Council. If you own a dog you are strongly advised to obtain a copy of the Order from Shropshire Council, Shirehall, Shrewsbury.

Next Meeting:

The meeting has been postponed and will now be held in the Village Hall at 7.00 on 23<sup>rd</sup>. July and you are reminded that residents can attend and that there is an opportunity to raise and discuss items prior to the start of the meeting.

<u>The minutes of all the Council's meetings can be found on the Council web site –</u> <u>www.shawbury-pc.gov.uk</u>