

## **Shropshire Council**

### **Review of proposed changes to parish council boundaries**

Shropshire Council is undertaking Community Governance Reviews, focusing on proposed changes to town and parish council boundaries in five areas of Shropshire. The reviews run from 15 December 2023 to 26 January 2024 with comments and proposals welcomed from local people, groups and organisations.

The five areas for which reviews are being carried out are:

- Shrewsbury parish and adjacent parishes
- Albrighton and Donnington parishes
- Ludlow and Ludford parishes
- Baschurch and Bomere Heath (Pimhill) parishes
- Market Drayton and Adderley parishes

Reviews are being carried out in these areas as the Local Government Boundary Commission for England has recently completed a review of the town and parish electoral divisions in the Shropshire Council area.

Their final proposals, which will now go forward for approval by Parliament, move the electoral division boundaries for these five areas. Shropshire Council is concerned that this arrangement is neither effective nor convenient, may cause confusion, and will fail to reflect the identities and interests of the community in each area.

A Community Governance Review is a review of the whole or part of the district to consider one or more of the following:

- Creating, merging, altering or abolishing parishes.
- The naming of parishes and the style of new parishes.
- The electoral arrangements for parishes.
- Grouping parishes under a common parish council or de-grouping parishes.