

Llanfair Waterdine Parish Council Report (March 17)

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Topic:	LJC Public Meeting February 9 th Clun Memorial Hall
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The main presentation at the meeting was from Chris Taylor who spoke about the connecting Shropshire Programme.

The update was mainly about Phase 2(b) which aims to provide better Broadband to a further 16000 premises. Tenders for the work are in to Shropshire Council, but they are under consideration before any announcements are made .It is hoped further detail will be available in April.

We were told that by 2020 the Government had to provide speeds of 10 MB to all premises, though there was some doubt as to whether this could be legally requested or if it had to be legally provided .

If individual households wanted to keep up to date with the situation relating to their own property ,this could be found on the connecting Shropshire website or by telephoning Chris Taylor on 01743 255205

We heard about cuts to local bus services and the fact that many in the Clun Valley were very unhappy about this. A questionnaire from Shropshire Council seeking public views was thought to be very poorly constructed.

The future of SpArC would be considered by Cabinet in March, but our Shropshire Councillors thought any decision was unlikely with elections coming up in May.

Schools will be seeing a cut in budgets of £30 per pupil and under a new funding formula the Community College is to lose £60000 in funding next year. People were urged to write to Philip Dunne about this.

A member from Corndon and Stipperstone Parish reported on a scheme they are implementing to enhance biodiversity along their road side verges .they are looking for other interested Parishes to work with on this.

Youth Funding £3000 is available for funding up until March 31st so it was decided to increase the grant ceiling to £1000 and to contact all possible beneficiaries to get applications in quickly.

A number of applications have now been received and we are currently assessing them via email.