

How do you want your place to change by 2030?

The Council is planning the future for Telford and Wrekin - we are calling this plan 'Shaping Places'.

Shaping Places will set out where new homes, jobs, green space etc. should be built. Please read the following facts about your area and answer the questions on the back page.

Homes



On average, more than 600 new homes have been built in Telford and Wrekin each year for the last fifteen years. New homes equal 1% of all existing homes.

Most new homes have been built in Telford. The number of new homes built in rural areas and in Newport has been much less.



Not everyone can afford to own their own home.

There are over 17,000 people needing a home on the housing register.

Green spaces



90% of the borough is green space such as farmland, woodland, gardens, parks, sports facilities, lakes and ponds.



Our landscape is a special mix of town and country. Green space is valuable to all communities, it encourages physical activity and attracts businesses to the area.

Jobs



26% of local jobs are in public sector, education, and health;
23% are in distribution, hotels, and restaurants;
22% are in finance, IT, business activities;
19% are in manufacturing;
5% are tourism related;
4% in transport and communications.



Some of Telford's industrial estates are old and need improving.

Shopping



Outside central Telford, the main shopping centres are the market towns of Wellington, Newport, Oakengates, Madeley, Dawley, Hadley and Donnington.

The market town of Newport is the main centre for people living in the rural area. Shopping facilities in rural villages are very limited.

We want everyone to have an opportunity to comment on the **Shaping Places** plan. The plan will take about 2 years to produce, the stages are shown below.



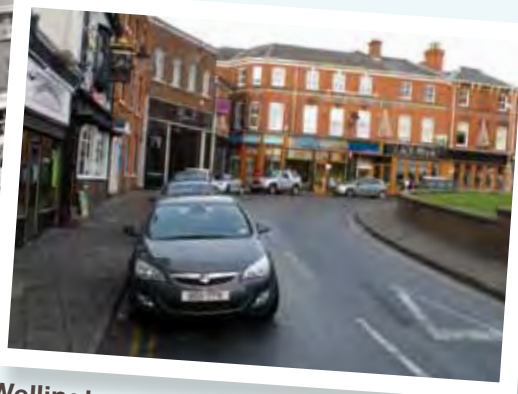
Shaping Places



Telford and Wrekin's Future



Wellington - before



Wellington - after



How do you want your place to change by 2030?

Win a laptop

Shaping Places –
Telford and Wrekin's Future,
Telford & Wrekin Council,
Development Plans,
Darby House,
Lawn Central,
Telford TF3 4JA

Please affix stamp here



Health



The local population is living longer, so will need more healthcare facilities and better homes including care homes.



28% of children and adults in Telford and Wrekin are obese.

Travel



Telford was designed for car travel.
Most local workers use a car or van to travel to work, 8% walk, 5% use the bus, and 3% cycle.



Many local people don't have access to a car, and want good quality walking, cycling, taxi and bus facilities. Public transport is particularly poor in the rural areas.

Energy



We could make our own energy locally using the natural resources of the wind and sun.



18% of Telford and Wrekin households cannot afford to keep warm. Rising energy costs will cause difficulties, particularly for older people, those on low incomes, and those living in rural areas.

Photo Competition details

Shaping Places is about making our borough a better place to live in, work in and visit. With this in mind we want you to take a photo of what best shows how we can improve our local area.

This could be something in Telford and Wrekin that you think is great. It could also be something that you think is not so great. You will need to provide a short caption for your photo to explain why you have used that image. To enter please email up to three photographs to shapingplaces@telford.gov.uk or upload via flickr at www.flickr.com/photos/telford-wrekin

1st Prize Laptop
provided by Capgemini

2nd & 3rd Prize Camera
provided by Makita

4th Prize 2x Museum tickets
provided by The Ironbridge Gorge Museum Trust

Full terms and conditions can be found at www.telford.gov.uk/shapingplaces

 www.flickr.com/photos/telford-wrekin

 www.facebook.com/TelfordWrekin

 @telltelford
#shapingplaces

Email shapingplaces@telford.gov.uk
Telephone **01952 384255**
Web www.telford.gov.uk/shapingplaces



Closing date 27 February 2012



Questions:



1. Where do you think in Telford and Wrekin is the best place to live and why?



2. What green space is most important to you in Telford and Wrekin?



3. What type of new businesses would help Telford and Wrekin grow?



4. Where do you shop day-to-day? What new shops would you like to see there?



5. How can we improve our towns, villages and countryside to make us healthier?



6. How can we change our towns, villages and countryside so that you can get to where you need to go more easily?



7. How should we plan our day-to-day lives to use less energy?



8. What other important issues are there for the Shaping Places plan to address?

Please continue on a separate sheet if required and place in an envelope to return (address overleaf). **Thank you for your time.**

Answers:



1.



2.



3.



4.



5.



6.



7.



8.

Please tell us... Your Postcode

Are you under 35? ☐ Are you over 35? ☐ (Please tick relevant box)

If you would like to be further involved please supply your contact details below:

(Please cut off this page and post it back to us by 27 February 2012)