## Whitchurch Town Council: Press Release

## **New Town Clerk for Whitchurch**

Michelle Wilson has been appointed as the new Town Clerk for Whitchurch. At the Council meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> August, Members unanimously approved the recommendation of the Recruitment Panel who had undertaken the interview process.

Mrs Wilson, a qualified Clerk, is currently Parish Clerk at Church Aston. She has previously held similar positions at Shifnal Town Council and Lilleshall & Donnington Parish Council. Michelle has also lectured at Cannock Technical College in Business Administration, and was for many years Contract & Resource Manager with West Mercia Police.

The Mayor, Councillor Rob Hewson who was a member of the Recruitment Panel said "I believe we have made a good appointment with Michelle. She is experienced, personable and will work in partnership with councillors".

It is hoped that Mrs Wilson will join the Council on 7<sup>th</sup> October, and that Pete Cooper will remain in a consultancy role until the end of the month to ensure a good handover.

Mike McDonald, Chairman of Personnel Committee commented "we had a really testing recruitment process involving a two stage interview, aptitude test, presentation and a meeting with staff. At the end of this, the Panel of Members had no hesitation in recommending Michelle to the Council".

Mrs Wilson joins the Council as it has adopted its first Corporate Strategy which sets an ambitious programme of development and service improvement.

