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Cllr Kate Lloyd
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Dear Cllr Lloyd,

I hope that you and your fellow Parishioners are well in the current environment and looking forward to a return to some semblance of normality? Given the impact of COVID-19 restrictions on PC meetings and our ability to speak directly to you, I wanted to take this opportunity to inform you of an additional activity that will take place from RAF Shawbury at weekends from September 2020.

The Wrekin Glider Club, who have operated from RAF Cosford for the last 53 years, are relocating to RAF Shawbury to operate aero-towed gliders at the weekends. The aim of the club is to provide military serving, Civil Service and our Contractor partners, along with their families, the opportunity to undertake gliding activities. This will be, for some, the first opportunity to fly and may be the start of a career in aviation. This very safe activity has undergone a rigorous assurance process before commencing operations from RAF Shawbury and, by virtue of its very nature, will be extremely quiet. We wanted to let you know about the gliding before you see an article in the forthcoming Aries Magazine or before you see unexpected gliders in the overhead of RAF Shawbury.

As ever, if you have any questions, we will be delighted to answer them through the usual channels and wish you the very best regards in the meantime.

Yours

Mike Jordan

