Background

The Town Council currently has a license to occupy the rooms at Talbot House. This license will finish in January 2026 when the agreement Shropshire Council has with the owner of Talbot House also runs out. A formal lease is yet to be drawn up.

Therefore, it is important that the Town Council starts to look for a new office location in the town. In order to progress this it is recommended that a working party is established to review all previously considered options and investigate new locations.

In the recent past the Town Council has considered the following locations as potential offices

Building	Reason
Morgan Library	Cost of upgrading the building
The Old Drayton Gate	Not enough space
Wem Town Hall	Agreement could not be reached on space on offer
Wem Library	Current location
Edinburgh House	No provision for a meeting room
The Nat West	Funds not available at the time

Clerks Recommendation

That a working party of between 3 and 5 Councillors is established with the following remit

- To review previously considered locations for Town Council office.
- To consider any new locations.
- Any other remit as agreed by the Town Council.