

# Gawsworth ANNUAL REPORT 2015/2016

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#### **ABOUT THE COUNCIL**

Elections to the Parish Council were held in May 2015 which were uncontested. One vacancy was filled by co-option.

- Two new councillors joined:
  - Cllr Philip Owen
  - Cllr Matthew Hartley (co-opted)
- Total of nine councillors.

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#### **LOOKING BACK AT 2015/16**

New Village Sign installed in July 2015 featuring the new Parish Council logo.

The jester sign will be refurbished and installed in the park.



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#### **LOOKING BACK AT 2015/16**

New park maintenance contract vastly improving the standard of upkeep at the park. A table tennis table will soon be installed.

New handyman contract providing a more reliable service.



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#### **LOOKING BACK AT 2015/16**

Moved to holding monthly meetings rather than every six weeks.

All meetings are now at 7:30pm on the second Tuesday every month in the village hall.

Two new Advisory Committee's established to further the Neighbourhood Plan and Village Hall Redevelopment.

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#### **LOOKING BACK AT 2015/16**

Continued to respond to consultations on planning applications in the parish

Engaged with Cheshire East Council on a range of issues

Commenced development of a Strategic Plan

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#### **STRATEGIC PLAN**

The Council has set out its six core strategic priorities over the next four years:

1 - Develop and Implement a ten-year management strategy for Gawsworth Park and Nancy's Wood in consultation with residents

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2 - Oversee the redevelopment of the Village Hall in consultation with residents.

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#### **STRATEGIC PLAN**

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3 - Improve communication with residents and maximise engagement between the Parish Council and the community.

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4 - Improve the standard of maintenance across the parish creating a cleaner and tidier Gawsworth in which residents can have pride.

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5 - Work with partners to deliver superfast broadband in Gawsworth.

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#### **STRATEGIC PLAN**

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6 - Lead on the development of a Neighbourhood Plan for Gawsworth.

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#### **STRATEGIC PLAN**

The Council will be considering the full strategic plan for adoption in May.

Encourage residents to tell us what we should be doing for the community!

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#### **FINANCES**

The Council costs each Band D household just £33.24 per year

#### 2016/17 budget included:

- £1,000 for improvements in the parish
- £1,000 for costs of the Village Hall redevelopment project
- Allowance for the increase in park maintenance costs
- £1,000 for winter gritting services

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#### **KEEPING UPDATED**

Residents welcome to attend any Council and Committee meeting; and time set aside for raising issues

Regular updates on the Parish Council website and in the Village News magazine

Agendas posted on the parish noticeboards

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