

# Gawsworth Gazette

October 2018

## Gawsworth Shop News

Do you remember when the village had four shops, then three, then two then one? Do you remember how the last shop was failing and we were faced with no shops and how we all pulled together to save that shop?

The good news is that after seven years of trading we are in a good position. The even better news is that we are looking to the future and how we can continue to grow the business and serve the community.

We are continually sourcing more products from suppliers within a 30 mile radius.

Recent additions include honies produced by, Happy Valley from Bollington and Calvia near Macclesfield and sausages, bacon and black puddings from Willcox on Park Lane with meat soruces from Cheshire.

Declicious pies and sausage rolls from Spearings and tubs of ice-cream from Granelli's - both in Macclesfield.

Ollie's Orchard in Tarporley, is where our pure pressed apple juices come from - they have no additives and we have a large range of their produce.

We are always open to suggestions and approaches from



local businesses or recommendations from you to further reduce our food miles.

There are many other ranges of products that the shop sells that you may not be aware of so why don't you pop in and have a browse around. Can't find what you are after let us know, if it's feasible we will try to stock it.

Remember the shop was saved by the community for the community and it will continue to serve you as long as you support it.

Feedback on edition one was positive – so here's edition two, produced in partnership with the Community Shop.

Do continue to let us have your feedback. Did you know you can sign up to get a pdf copy emailed to you each month – just send an email to [clerk@gawsworthpc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@gawsworthpc.org.uk) and we'll add you to our list for the Gazette and other important parish communications.

## Community Diary

**3<sup>rd</sup> 2pm** - Past Times

"Rudyard Lake" **M**

**4<sup>th</sup>** - Coffee Morning **M**

**8<sup>th</sup>** - Harvest Festival

Supper - 01625 424 215

**11<sup>th</sup>** - Coffee Morning **M**

**13<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm** - George Egg

DIY Chef - A hilarious

Show **V**

**16<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm**

Parish Council Meeting **V**

**18<sup>th</sup> 10am**

Luncheon Club **M**

**23<sup>rd</sup> 7:30pm**

Meeting with Harlequin

*On the proposed EE Mast at Pennington's Lane* **V**

**23<sup>rd</sup> 7:30pm**

Gawsworth Gardening

Club - "Location Location Location" **C**

**25<sup>th</sup>** - Coffee Morning **M**

**Submit your events for inclusion in the diary to Jane**

**Robertson:**

01625 267 342

## Regular Groups

**Monday**

Beavers 5:30pm **S**

Cubs 6:45pm **S**

(2nd) Church Study

Group 2pm **C**

**Tuesday**

Girls Brigade 6pm **M**

Karate Club 6:30pm **S**

(3rd) Ramblers: 9:30am **C**

**Thursday**

Scouts 7:00pm **S**

Bridge Club 7:15pm **C**

**Sunday**

See the Parish and Village News magazine for details of church services.

*S = Scout Hall V = Village Hall M = Methodist Hall C = Church Hall*

## Parish Get Together

Thirteen residents joined with Parish Councillors on Tuesday 18th September for the first 'Parish Get Together' which puts residents in the driving seat of discussion.

Topics discussed included broadband, Dark Lane and parking. Also

## Looking Forward

**November 17<sup>th</sup>**

Gawsworth Photo Exhibition and Social

**November 17/18<sup>th</sup>**

Baroque Dance

Workshop (01625 618320)

**November 30<sup>th</sup>**

Scout Bingo

**December 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Children's Christmas Party

**December 8<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>**

Christmas Tree Festival

**December 19<sup>th</sup>**

Festive Fun

discussed were the odd jobs around the parish that need addressing - following this we will be looking to form a task force to tackle these.

We have written to Connecting Cheshire to press them on the broadband rollout and are also exploring a solution to the parking issue raise!

## Parish Council News

Do you want to serve your community and represent your neighbours? Paul Lawton and Alison Simpson have both stepped down from the Parish Council creating two vacancies. If you are interested in being a councillor, please email [clerk@gawsworthpc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@gawsworthpc.org.uk) to find out how you could be co-opted.

The proposed EE mast at Pennington's Lane was discussed and we were disappointed that the planned public meeting was cancelled. We are still awaiting feedback on our queries about the discounted sites.

The other issues discussed at our September meeting were areas in the parish that need a bit of TLC. We will be giving the shrub area at Pennington's Lane a tidy and writing to residents whose hedges require cutting back.

The Parish Council next meets on October 16th (a week later than usual) where we'll be discussing winter gritting and installing an interpretation board on the Pleasance

Remember all our meetings are public and time is set aside at the start for residents to raise questions and comments on any issue affecting Gawsworth.

## A long and bumpy ride

Gawsworth resident Neil Phillips took his friend Simon for a ride along canal tow paths – from St Joseph's Hospice in Hackney to the East Cheshire Hospice.

With inevitable detours and diversions they think they covered around 250 miles in 34 hours pedalling!

The ride was in memory of Neil's mother-in-law and his father John. All funds raised are being split equally between the two hospices and so far £2,475.50 has been raised. Still time to donate through Neil's Virgin Giving site.

## Where in Gawsworth?



## A536 road improvements

Cheshire East Council is set to receive a grant of £2.31m to improve road safety along the A536 between Congleton and Macclesfield - one of the 50 most dangerous sections of A road in the country!

# Maggoty's Murmurings

So, Gawsworth has one of 50 most dangerous stretches of road in the country running through our midst. Safety on the A536 has been a major concern for residents for as long as anyone can remember. The Parish Council and local action groups have had some notable successes, including getting the speed limit through the village area reduced to 40mph some years ago but more must be done.

With literally thousands of houses and many new businesses being built to the north and south of Gawsworth and relief roads channelling

traffic onto the A536 the situation is set to get worse. Much, much worse. Let's take this as a reminder that we must all be extra careful using the A536. And do let the Parish Council know of incidents and near misses so they can make sure that local knowledge influences the safety improvements when they come.

So, what's happening with the proposed Dark Lane housing development? Who knows? Your guess is as good as Maggoty's!

We were told to expect a planning application from Cheshire East Council months ago but requests for updates have gone unanswered. There must be a spanner in the works, but what is it? Maybe safety requirements are proving too difficult? Or the regulatory compliance and ethics paper compiled by a Gawsworth resident has caused careful reflection?

Could the Jodrell Bank

Exclusion zone policy be the issue? Or the government A536 grant has caused a rethink? Or is it the planning assessment on proposed homes in Eaton stating there is no shortage in delivery of affordable housing in the Borough? Answers on a postcard please ...

## Task Force Gawsworth

A number of residents have shown enthusiasm for joining an informal ad hoc task force to undertake little, practical jobs around the Parish.

Like to join in and help your community? Register your interest by emailing [paul.woods@gawsworthpc.org.uk](mailto:paul.woods@gawsworthpc.org.uk) and we'll organise some convenient times – and maybe some soup and bacon sarnies.

## Where in Gawsworth?

**Answer:** Traditional Cheshire railings at the junction of Wardle Crescent and Woodhouse Lane. Newly installed by the landowner - thank you!

