

Gawsworth Gazette

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Gawsworth WI turns 90

Formed in 1931, Gawsworth Women's Institute has turned 90! This is a wonderful achievement for a really friendly, enthusiastic, hard working group and we hope to keep going

for many years to come!

Sadly, at the present time we are unable to celebrate this milestone in March but have plans in place to do so on 17th July 2021 when we are to hold 'A very happy un-birthday tea party' at the village hall for our members.

The theme is the mad hatter's tea party. Keep your eyes on this space for full details!

Get on board

Cheshire Wildlife Trust are hoping to replace the tired and, in places, broken wooden boardwalk on Danes Moss with recycled plastic which should last for generations. You can help out by donating through their [website](#).

During the winter a small group of volunteers has been removing birch
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Where in Gawsworth?



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Use your vote

On Thursday 6th May the Gawsworth Neighbourhood Plan goes to referendum.

This is the culmination of many years of work by local residents and if approved by public vote its policies will be used to make decisions on

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[cont from page 1] from the nature reserve. Birch trees can dry out the moss by sucking up all the water so it's vitally important to keep on top of it.

Danes Moss is one of the scarcest and most threatened habitats in the UK, with open areas of bog covered with cotton grass, cross-leaved heath and at least six species of sphagnum moss! A cool fact about sphagnum moss is that over time it will form into peat which creates an amazing carbon store. This is extremely important in our fight against climate change.

planning applications in Gawsworth.

Thank you to the many Gawsworth residents who have contributed to drafting and refining this important planning document.

On the same day you will also be voting in the Police and Crime Commissioner election.

Transport Consultation

Cheshire East Council has produced draft Local Transport Delivery Plans which identify where they should prioritise investment and seek funding for transport initiatives.

The overall aims include to improve accessibility for all, sustainability (improving walking, cycling and public transport) and



Make sure you are registered to vote so you can have your say on putting Gawsworth's voice into the planning system. Register by 11:59pm on 19 April to vote on 6th May.

Visit www.gov.uk/register-to-vote to register in this referendum and all elections.

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connectivity (the links to work, education and essential services).

Proposals in both the Macclesfield and Congleton plans involve Gawsworth and the Parish Council has submitted a response on behalf of residents. We called for improved cycle and pedestrian routes to, from and around Gawsworth.

We also asked for an assessment of the effects on our roads of the new Congleton link road and the planned industry and thousands of new houses just north and south of our Parish borders.

Easter Activities

St James' Church is organising an Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Saturday between 10am and 5pm.

They are asking you to decorate your windows and gardens to reflect Easter. The Easter bear and some Gawsworth bunnies may make an appearance.

On Easter Saturday there will be an Easter Egg Hunt starting at Gawsworth Hub. Look out for the letters along the way to discover the secret Easter Password then collect your Easter Goody-bag outside St James Church where there will also be an Easter Garden. Easter Bonnets are encouraged – with a prize for the best bonnet! Collect your entry sheet from the hub or online at Gawsworth Next Door or 'What's going on in Gawsworth' Facebook group. Contact Rachel at St James Church razzacantab@icloud.com for information.

Happy Birthday Gawsworth WI



WI trip to Trentham Gardens 1933
(L-R) Mrs Hague, Mrs Eccles, Mrs Yoxall, Jean Hyland and Lilian Sadler

Gawsworth Hub News

As a small gesture to children's bravery, care and kindness during the pandemic, your Community Hub is proud to support the Macclesfield and District Lions Club and the Methodist Churches' initiative to give an Easter egg and card to every child at Gawsworth Primary School.

The gesture is a thank you for all the children have done for others

over the past year to help keep their families and our community safe, as well as a sign of hope for their future. The reaction of people who received the children's beautiful handmade Christmas card was touching. Cards were inserted into the Lions Christmas food parcels delivered to over 100 local people in the Macclesfield area as well as cards posted to older Gawsworth residents.

We wish you all an egg-sta special Easter.

Gawsworth Shop News

March certainly put the shop on the map with so much publicity about the 10th Birthday of the shop opening. Thanks go to BBC Northwest, the Congleton Chronicle, the Macclesfield Express, Canalside Radio and So Cheshire - a digital news feed. The National Lottery Reaching Community Fund who awarded the Hub a significant sum and Cheshire Life have asked for a report and photos of the event. The biggest thank you goes to all of you who have loyally supported us over the years as well as those customers who have recently found us. Did you all get your piece of

birthday cake? Sorry the pieces were small but the two cakes had to feed a couple of hundred.

Thanks also go to all of our suppliers who kindly donated items for the free raffle. They were so generous that we even managed a second hamper. The first prize was won by our wonderful postman Robin. We will greatly miss him when he retires. The second prize was won by Martin Biss who we regularly call upon to keep a photographic record of the shop. Two very deserving winners.

Easter is early this year. Please note that the shop opening times over Easter are Saturday as normal but Good Friday, Easter Sunday and Easter

Monday will all be 8:00 am to 10:30am. There is a range of Easter cards and gifts in the hub but you will have to be quick.

April will, hopefully, see the easing of lockdown restrictions which we are all looking forward to. As soon as we are allowed to, the seating will be reinstated so you will be able to meet friends and have a good chat over coffee and a cake.

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This picturesque, tumbledown old bridge is beside Gawsworth Footpath 33 in an old quarrying area on the way up to Gawsworth Common. The footpath is reached from the Fools Nook and winds its way through a lovely, wooded area of our Parish. For the energetic you can climb 350m up to the communications tower on Croker Hill and look back over Gawsworth. The route can be boggy in places so go well shod and equipped.

