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Danes Moss Development

Gawsworth representatives joined over 100 other concerned Cheshire East residents at a public meeting on Danes Moss on Sunday 27th February.

Expert speakers explained how the proposed development of houses, warehouses, supermarket and a school will cause

irreparable damage to the deep peat deposits, nature and the climate. Concerns were also voiced that Cheshire East Council might not have been following appropriate and transparent processes and it was explained that 'big money' is involved.

The meeting was told that MP David Rutley is

putting his weight behind the environmental campaign and that he has called for review of the Danes Moss planned development. All three Cheshire East Councillors who cover Gawsworth Parish were at the meeting, listening to the environmental experts and hearing residents comments and questions. Macclesfield South Ward Councillors Laura Jeuda and Brian Puddicombe who represent most of the site, are opposed to this development and have met with Cheshire East Council Officers to raise their concerns.

They said "We are



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committed to a greener, healthier, place to live and the impact on the environment and the damage to the peatland and wildlife on Danes Moss is of great concern”.

Lesley Smetham who represents Gawsworth

Ward, said “ The scale of information that has emerged over the last five years means that the suitability of the site for development needs to be reconsidered. More evidence is needed, such as an Independent Environmental Impact Assessment, to clearly evidence whether the site is appropriate for development.”

About 7000 people have signed a Change.org petition against the development.

The meeting was told that it's not too late to make your views known. We are all urged to write to our Cheshire East Councillors. You can find much more information on the 'Save Danes Moss' Facebook group.

Gawsworth WI Report

It was nice to see three visitors at our meeting on Tuesday . We have had a busy start to the New Year with the post Christmas lunch at The Plough at Eaton. There are several trips already planned starting with Axe Throwing Thursday 3rd Feb and a visit to the Escape rooms in March as well as a trip to the new RHS Bridgewater Garden in April.

Ladies that lunch will be dining at the Harrington Arms on Tuesday 8th February and the craft group will meet on

Thursday 17th Feb at the Church Meeting room.

Several of our ladies will be taking trip to Rode Hall on 16 February to visit the snowdrop walk. Next month is our 91st birthday and to celebrate we are having refreshments and birthday cake.

We were given an interesting and informative talk by Peter Ashburner an auctioneer.

We meet on the first Tuesday of the month at the Parish Hall Gawsworth at 7.30 please feel free to come along and join us.



Parish Council Meetings

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 9th March at 7:30pm in the Scout Hall.

Time is set aside at every meeting for public comment, so join us in the hall or online.

Rose Queen Returns

The Rose Queen celebrations will be back this year on 11th June and you can help!

The Friends Of Gawsworth Primary

School are keen to involve the whole community in their plans as a great way to bring us all together.

If you have any suggestions, questions or you would like to help please email the organisers at

hello@friendsofgawsworth.org.uk

Rose Queen is the weekend after the Queen's Jubilee celebrations and there are rumours of a picnic in the park and street parties. Let's hope for a sunny June.

Church Coffee Mornings

Here's the March programme of coffee mornings at Gawsworth Methodist Church Hall.

10th - Children's Society arranged by Jane Palmer

17th - None (lunch club)

24th - Water Aid arranged by the local committee

31st - In aid of the RSPB

Coffee mornings start at 10am.

It is possible to offer these coffee mornings without hire charge because of a grant from the John Upton Charity.

Gawsworth Lake...



Gawsworth suffered from the recent spate of stormy weather with flooding affecting our park. Much of the lower area including the tennis court was several inches deep in water and branches of a hedgerow tree have fallen both ways, across the Congleton Road path and onto the tennis court fencing.

Our thanks to Andrew Jackson for clearing the drains and allowing the lake to drain away.

At the same time, Lowes Lane was impassable to pedestrians because of flooding at two spots.

The gulleys have been cleared but an enduring solution to the water flow and drainage problems is needed.

Gawsworth Hub News

Due to high demand, the Hub hosted not one but two successful Valentine's Day Afternoon Tea events with guests enjoying a tasty collection of homemade savouries, scones and cakes.

On Friday 25th March the Hub will host a Mother's Day Afternoon Tea. Please book early to avoid disappointment simply phone Janet, our Community Activities Manager, on 07946 199117 or send her an email to enquiries@gawsworthhub.co.uk to reserve your table. Places are £15.00 per person.

On Tuesday 15th February, Gawsworth Primary School's Pupils' Council held its meeting at the Hub. Our meeting place was an excellent offsite venue for the Head-teacher and the children to hold their meeting and enjoy hot chocolate and cookies. If there are any other small

groups who wish to make use of the Hub meeting place, please contact Janet, or visit our website www.gawsworthhub.co.uk

In addition to our regular Hub events, details of which can be found on our website, every Wednesday from 11am to 1.15pm, and as well as our normal menu we will be serving homemade soup and a bap for just £3.60 per person.

Gawsworth Hub supports the Age UK initiative "The Big Old Survey 2021/22" The organisation is keen to receive feedback from local residents on their needs and concerns

so that it can tailor its future activities and services. Please pick up a questionnaire form the Hub and your free Scam Awareness leaflets that will give useful advice on who to protect yourself from fraud. If there is sufficient interest, we will arrange for a member of Age UK to run Scam Awareness event in the Hub.

Following the return to somewhere near normal and living with Covid we have all seen price increases on most of the goods we buy. We are endeavouring to absorb some of these cost increases so that we can keep our prices competitive and continue to serve you. Please give us a try, support your local shop.

