

Gawsworth Gazette

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Gawsworth Parish 'saved'

Cheshire East Council is set to finalise the Community Governance Review this month with final recommendations being published at the end of March.

The proposed changes to the Gawsworth parish boundary have been withdrawn and no part of the parish will be ceded to Macclesfield.

The Moss ward will expand to include LPS15 and the number of parish councillors for this ward will increase from 3 to 4; the number of councillors for Village ward will decrease from 6 to 5 - these changes are what the parish council had originally called for.

Thank you to the 243

residents who responded to the consultation and ensured our community's voice was heard. Of the 243 responses 223 (92%) stated they wanted to see no changes to the parish boundary.

The report states that one of the recurring themes highlighted by residents of Moss ward was the strong community ties that they have to Gawsworth parish and the village. Respondents also set out that they felt Gawsworth councillors would better

understand their needs and issues.

The final recommendations have to be reviewed and decided by the full Cheshire East Council but it would be very surprising if they advocated a return to the original proposals which were contrary to government guidelines and emphasised the importance of community identity.



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Jubilee Celebrations

The parish is preparing to celebrate HM The Queen's Platinum Jubilee over two days 4th and 5th June so please save the dates.

Local organisations and volunteers are sketching out their plans. The day starts with a

Scams Warning

None of us is too smart to fall victim to a scam and end up being cheated out of our money. Scams are increasingly common and Gawsworth residents have been targeted.

Call in to the Community Hub and pick up some literature. Talk to a trusted friend or call the police if you are concerned.

There are dozens of ways we can be scammed:

Doorstep scams where you get an unexpected

Treasure Hunt around the village and continues with fun and events on Gawsworth Park. Sunday will see a family service jointly from the church and chapel in the grounds of Gawsworth Hall with an opportunity to picnic in the grounds in the afternoon. Street parties are also being planned around the parish.

knock on the door from someone you don't know. They can be very convincing!

Mail scams You may receive post that looks genuine but contains false claims or offers to try to steal your money.

Phone scams You are rung up to try to get your personal information or persuade you to buy products. The caller may not be who they say they are.

Email and online scams Emails and fake websites can look genuine.

Some scammers try to earn your trust by forming a relationship

Chocolate Box Village

A 'chocolate box village' perfect for spring walks' was how Gawsworth was described in a recent Manchester Evening News article.

The writer was particularly taken with the conservation area and woodlands!

in order to get money from you. Others may try to get hold of your personal details and use them to access your savings or run up debts in your name. We must be particularly careful if conversations involve bank details, investments or pensions.

Parish Council Meetings

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 6th April 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.

Gawsworth WI Report

Happy birthday to Gawsworth WI - this year they celebrate 91 years!

A party was had and enjoyed by all the members, with food provided by the WI.

Ladies were also given a beautiful tea towel – which we should have had last year for their 90th, but unfortunately Covid delayed celebrations.

Thank you to Sue McGee for her design work and for arranging the printing of these tea towels.

Members had a lovely walk at Rode Hall in February to see the snowdrop walk. In March there was a guided walk around Macclesfield.

Fourteen of their members also had a lovely lunch at the Harrington Arms in Gawsworth and in June it is hoped to arrange a Greek Lunch there.

The craft group was crafting (or chatting) away again on the 17th March at the Church meeting room and several trips have been organised for later in the year.

The WI meets on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm at the Parish Hall please feel free to come along and join them. Their speaker for April will be Geoff Meggit with a talk about Winifred Brown.

Lych Gate Improved

The John Upton Charity was pleased to share the cost of re-tarmacking the entrance to the Lych gate with the Parochial Church Council.

Gawsworth's own charity makes grants to promote charitable purposes for the general benefit of the inhabitants of Gawsworth. johnuptoncharity@gmail.com

April Community Diary

6th 1000-1115
PCSO Surgery [H]

6th 1930
Parish Council [S]

13th 1400-1600
Knit and Natter [H]

14th 1000
Coffee Morning for East Cheshire Hospice [M]

14th 1400-1600
Afternoon Tea [H]
Tickets: £15pp
Call 0796 199117

14th 1000
Coffee Morning for Leprosy Mission [M]

25th 1400-1600
Carers Afternoon [H]

21st
Lunch Club [M]

28th 1000
Coffee Morning celebrating 129 years of Gawsworth Methodist Church [M]

Venue Key
[H]- Hub [S] -Scout Hall
[M] - Methodist Hall

March was our birthday month, and many of you may remember our 10th birthday celebrations in 2021 being featured on BBC Northwest.

We have come so far since the shop was first established in 2011 and more recently with the creation of Gawsworth Hub as a community enterprise.

We are regularly looking at ways to adapt our services and products to meet the changing needs of our community and welcome your ideas and suggestions.

Did you know that you can reserve newspapers and your favourite magazines for collection and to save a trip into Macclesfield you can also order Chatwins bread and Spearings pies at the shop – please order before 11am for next day delivery.

Our range of bacon, sausages and black

puddings are provided by Wilcox butchers who can also supply any special orders you have for fresh meat, delivered to the shop on Fridays. For more details, please ask in the shop.

As we continue to grow, we are keen to encourage more volunteers to support our activities and give back to the local community, in particular we need to strengthen our Board by adding two new people to our team.

Could you be our Communications Coordinator and lead on our external communications and PR activities? This is a new, proactive board role, and the holder will have the opportunity to define the role in detail.

Additional volunteer support will be available to assist you. If you have experience in promotions and communications, we would love to chat with

you.

In June 2022, our current Company Secretary will be stepping down after 3 years in the role and we are looking for a replacement.

The Company Secretary ensures that the organisation meets its statutory requirements. This role would suit an individual with strong analytical and administrative skills.

The Board typically meets every six weeks, and most Board members have specific areas of responsibility.

For further details about these roles and other current volunteer opportunities, please visit our website www.gawsworthhub.co.uk or contact Daryl Williams on 07967 408865 / volunteering@gawsworthhub.co.uk