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LPSI5 application refused

The first application for outline planning permission to come forward for LPS15 (21/4113M), the area behind and south of the Rising Sun pub has been refused by Cheshire East's Strategic Planning Board.

Jones Homes, with Redrow Homes, had put forward a plan for a small section of the site but had failed to get the agreement of other developers for a master plan. This jeopardised the delivery of the whole site which is destined to provide around 300 homes, including 30% affordable plus 'employment land' i.e. warehouses, industrial units etc. The site is part of the Cheshire East

Local Plan Strategy so we can expect further applications to come forward.

Councillor Penny Shepherd, Chair of Gawsworth Parish Council, spoke on behalf of Gawsworth residents supporting the Planning Officer's recommendation to refuse the application. She pointed out that the planners had, embarrassingly, omitted to assess the application against the Gawsworth Neighbourhood Plan which is a key planning document. This was rapidly rectified at the meeting and non-compliance with our Neighbourhood Plan was added to the reasons for rejection. Cllr Shepherd

also raised important points about the need for footpaths and cycleways connecting the north of Gawsworth Parish with the Village centre, school and other facilities. The impact of the additional traffic on the A536 through Gawsworth Village was also missed in the Officer's [cont]



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report and Penny was able to stimulate debate about the proposed access roundabout suggesting it was significantly bigger than it needed to be. It was also an opportunity to highlight that Gawsworth Parish Council has an expectation that our residents should have priority access to some of the affordable housing on this Gawsworth site.

Late objections to the development of LPS15 were received from

Natural England. A Save Danes Moss campaigner also highlighted that there was peat on the site and explained the huge importance of avoiding carbon release through development.

Interestingly, some Strategic Planning Board members questioned whether alternative sites could be found and even queried the possibility of sites included in the Local Plan Strategy being put back into the Green Belt. That seems unlikely

at the moment but it's fascinating that our planning decision makers are beginning to think that way.

The application was rejected on four grounds
1) Prejudicial to the delivery of the site allocation
2) Insufficient information on highway impact
3) Noise impact of the employment uses on residents
4) Insufficient ecological and nature conservation information – plus incompatibility with the Gawsworth Neighbourhood Plan.

Gawsworth WI

July was Members Night, where members of the WI take the meeting and organise the entertainment. Jean Hughes, Brenda Hughes and Linda Dolan very ably took the meeting and the entertainment was provided the fabulous Edith Bullock. Dressed as Marlene Dietrich she sang Falling in Love again assisted by Alec Price then went on to regale us with some of her

monologues which are always funny. A very big thank you to Edith. The Gawsworth Glampers had a few days away in Shropshire there was fancy dress and much laughter. The coffee morning on 9th July raised £400 for The Christie at Macclesfield, thank you to everyone who attended and volunteered as well as providing cakes and

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prizes it is very much appreciated. The craft group will be meeting again on the 20th July and the walking group will be enjoying a walk around Rudyard Lake.

We meet on the first Tuesday of the month at the Parish Hall Gawsworth please feel free to come along and join us you will be made to feel very welcome.

Nettle Party

Around a dozen volunteers joined Gawsorth Ranger Mark Herring in a nettle pulling session in Nancy's Wood. PCSO Chloe Shore popped along and apprehended a few nasty looking nettles, now doing time in the wildlife pile. The nettles were swamping the hedgerow saplings of native species which the volunteers had planted in 2021. Miraculously, the rain held off long enough to get the job done and to enjoy a coffee, Mark's home-made brownies and an enthusiastic chat about what comes next in our plans for the community woodland.



Community Garden Grows

The community garden in Gawsorth Park is thriving from all the summer rain!

Residents are welcome to sample what they need from the garden, including fruits, vegetables, herbs and flowers; sit

awhile to enjoy a quiet moment amongst the planting - carried out by enthusiastic volunteers, Scouts and members of the Gawsorth Gardeners Group who have worked so hard to make this project such a success.

Garden Party

This month is when the Village Garden Party and fun dog show is being held for everyone in the village.

Taking place from 2pm on Sunday 20th Aug at Gawsorth Hall, you will find loads of stalls, vintage tractors and lots of games and activities for the children with your four legged friends welcome to come along and join in the fun.



Gawsworth Hub News

As mentioned in last month's edition of the Gazette plans are now rolling for the revival of the village pantomime. Produced by the Hub in conjunction with GASS (Gawsworth Arts and Social Society) the dates for the pantomime will be 19th to 21st January 2024.

We will also be holding auditions for parts on Tuesday 5th, Wednesday 6th, Tuesday 26th Wednesday 27th of September at 7pm in the Hub. If you are interested or need more information, pop into the Hub on Monday mornings and speak to Charley or email itsupport@gawsworthhub.co.uk or just turn up at the Hub on one of the dates. We also need people for help with set building, lighting, costumes, music etc.

The Gawsworth produce show returns on Sunday 11th September from 1:30 to 4:30pm at

the Village Hall, with categories for everyone to enter. Call into the Hub for your entry form and schedule of events.

On Saturday 23rd September at 7:00 p.m. the Hub are holding a Harvest Hoedown at the Scout Hall. The band Magotty will be playing and there will be a caller to help prompt those expert dancers amongst you and to lead the total novices. Included in the price of the tickets will be a burger or hot dog and there will also be a bar. Tickets are limited so get yours now at the Hub.

The Silk Painting Workshop held in the hub on 19th July in the



hub was a truly enjoyable experience. We had a great time learning the art of silk painting and were thrilled to create some beautiful pictures by the end of the session. A big thank you to all who attended and especially to Hazel Browne for running the class. It was a memorable and enriching afternoon.

In the shop there is a summer promotion on locally brewed Wincle beer, 20p off all bottles.

We keep a small stock of frozen meat supplied from Pete's Butchers in Macclesfield, ideal for your barbeque, beefburgers and lamb kofta kebabs ask at the counter if you require any of these. Finish off your barbeque with Granelli's ice cream from our local supplier. We stock family tubs of Granelli's in three flavours.

Don't forget you can always book an afternoon tea in the café, just ring or call in to make your booking.