

# Gawsworth Gazette

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## Dismay at Mast Blunder

Gawsworth residents say they are 'devastated' 'appalled' and 'outraged' at the latest turn of events concerning the proposal from phone company EE to install a mast and associated equipment on the green space at the junction of Pennington's Lane and Congleton Road.

Locals noticed that work had begun on erecting the mast despite Cheshire East Planning refusing permission.

Fifty-six days are allowed for the council to notify the applicants of a refusal, but it seems CEC put a second class stamp on their letter and it arrived a day late. EE are taking advantage of the late arrival of the letter and pressing ahead with

the mast erection.

Residents, Gawsworth Parish Council, Cheshire East Councillor Laura Jeuda and David Rutley MP are all working to stop the work on the mast and find a satisfactory solution. Cheshire East Council is being urged to negotiate with EE and also to undertake a full investigation into why they got it so wrong.

The Chief Executive of EE has been written to

by both our MP and the Parish Council urging the company to behave in a morally acceptable way, cease the work and not to exploit the slip-up in Cheshire East's procedures.

The Parish Council's plans to rejuvenate the Penningtons Lane green space in line with residents' ideas and wishes is being put on hold pending the outcome of this case.



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# Community Diary

**3<sup>rd</sup> 2pm** **M**

Pastimes  
'Lyme Hall'

**4<sup>th</sup> 10am** **M**

Coffee Morning  
Martin Donaldson Trust

**9<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm** **V**

Parish Council Meeting

**11<sup>th</sup> 10am** **M**

Coffee Morning  
Children's Society

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

Luncheon Club  
01625 433239

**18<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm** **V**

Panto Meeting

**25<sup>th</sup> 10am** **M**

Coffee Morning  
Water Aid

**28<sup>th</sup> June to 17<sup>th</sup> August**

Gawsworth Hall  
Theatre Season  
01260 223 456

*S = Scout Hall*

*V = Village Hall*

*M = Methodist Hall*

*C = Church Hall*

# Regular Groups

**Monday**

Beavers 5:30pm **S**

Cubs 6:45pm **S**

(2nd) Church Study

Group 2pm **C**

**Tuesday**

Girls Brigade 6pm **M**

Yoga 7pm **S**

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

**Thursday**

Scouts 7:00pm **S**

Bridge Club 7:15pm **C**

**Saturday**

(1st) Quilting Group **C**

10:30am 01625 421 737

**Sunday**

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

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

**Jane Robertson:**

01625 267 342

## Looking Ahead

**August 24<sup>th</sup>**

Village Garden Party

Gawsworth Hall

01625 421 737

# Gawsworth Hall Theatre

Gawsworth Hall's Garden Theatre started 28th June and runs through to 18th August. Some events have already sold out, so head over to [www.gawsworthhall.com](http://www.gawsworthhall.com) to get tickets while you can!

Highlights for the season include Newton Faulkner (16/07), Proms by Candlelight (21/07), Fleetwood Bac (26/07), ELO Again (27/07), Jimmy Carr (01/08), Richard Thompson (06/08), Talon - Best of Eagles (16/08) and The Best of Wham! (17/08)

Unless you've already grabbed tickets you have missed out on Jason Manford (17/07), The Magic of Motown (20/07), Hennis When (28/07), One Night of Queen (02/08 and 03/08) and ABBA Reunion (10/08).

What a fantastic venue to have in the heart of the community.

## Gawsworth Shop News

It's finally happened. The purchase of No. 4 Longbutts Lane has been completed. The task now is to modify it and the Shop to become the community asset that we have envisaged. To achieve this there is much to do. Firstly the two units have to be integrated without disruption to the working of the Shop. The John Upton Charity has, in principle, agreed to fund this and we would very much like to thank them for their support for the project.

While we are preparing No. 4 we will have to move the refrigeration around which will also mean that, ultimately all the shop fittings will move. This gives us the opportunity to refresh the Shop. It is

our intention to do all the work at times when the shop is closed thus allowing us to continue to serve the community. It will mean you may have to spend a few moments locating your favourite products but at the same time you may spot something new.

Our aim is for all the work to be completed by September when we hope to attract the new parents at the school. The Hub at this stage will be basic. How it evolves is up to you and how you want to use it.

The hope is that within a year and depending on what grants we can secure we will be able to update the kitchen to be able to register it for commercial use. At the same time we will

need to make the toilet accessible to the disabled but that requires some structural work which too will need funding. We are seeking grants from a number of sources but none are guaranteed. We are also accepting offers to buy shares in the Shop/Hub. More information can be obtained by email to the Company Secretary (details on the website) or hand in a note at the Shop to be forwarded.

In the meantime please carry on using the Shop.

## Where in Gawsworth?



## Neighbourhood Plan Update

A first draft of the Neighbourhood Plan is being finalised ready for consultation later in the summer.

The consultation will be supported by an Afternoon Tea event - keep your eyes peeled for information.

## Maggoty's Murmurings

Jollity, music and fun were Gawsworth Jester, Maggoty Johnson's trademark. His spirit will be back at the 90th Rose Queen celebrations taking place just at the time this Gazette will be circulated. I hope the sun is shining!

There's more good news. Later in the year the Gawsworth Garden Party is set to make a comeback. The date has been set – it's August 24th which is the bank holiday weekend and the

Richards family are kindly hosting the event in Gawsworth Hall gardens. Wonderful!

This a church event but they are keen to involve the whole community in what promises to be a fantastic day. I've already heard of some interesting ideas in the planning stage but there could be room for more.

It would be good to have all local organisations there with a stall.

## Gawsworth Pantomime

Would you like to be involved in next year's pantomime?

It will take place on 24th-26th January and the script is yet to be decided - your involvement could help determine what is chosen!

You can get involved in one of the following roles: actor, singer, musician, lighting operator, front of house,

raffle organiser, costume maker, scenery designer, painter or constructor, special effects creator or prop creator.

Auditions for acting parts will be held on Thursday 5th & 12th September and rehearsals will take place on Thursdays from 19th September onwards

To find out more about taking part contact 01625 420 404.

## Spot a Black Darter

Danes Moss nature reserve is a good place to spot a Black Darter, or one of the 10 other species of dragonflies and damselflies that have been seen there and now is a good time to go spotting.

Black Darter males are black with dark yellow spots along their sides, while females and juveniles are brownish-yellow. They have black legs, are only about 3cm long.



## Where in Gawsworth?

You'll have to put in a fair amount of effort to see this sight. It's right at the top of Gawsworth Church Tower. The climb to the top is fascinating and the views when you get there are wonderful. Look out for the next open day.