

Gawsworth Gazette

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Coronation Celebrations

A reminder of the fantastic community events planned to celebrate the coronation of HM King Charles III.

Gawsworth Village Hall is hosting a community screening of the Coronation procession and Ceremony from 1am to 2pm. Refreshments will be served.

That evening (7:30pm) there is a ceilidh in the Scout Hall - tickets are £2.50 and available from the Hub.

Sunday 7th May the day starts with a Lion Hunt from the Village Hall followed by a fun day in the park from 12pm (note not 2pm as printed last month).

A Taste of Royal Coronation Lunch takes place in the Scout Hall from 12:30. Tickets are £2.50 from the Hub.

Finally, there will be a special service of thanksgiving at 4pm in St James Church.

Cheshire East Elections

Electors will be heading to the polls on Thursday 4th May to elect their Cheshire East Councillors.

Gawsworth Ward is

being fought for by four candidates, Sam Hale (Labour), Eleanor Hall (Liberal Democrats), Lesley Smetham (Conservative) and [cont...]

Community Meeting

The annual parish meeting is taking place in the Village Hall on Tuesday 9th May at 7pm.

It's an open community meeting to discuss any parish issues.

We'll be talking about whether 20mph speed limits should be introduced, how the parish can be more green and the Parish Council's priorities for the next four years.

There'll even be freshly baked cake, tea and coffee!

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The price of a pint

In these days of unrelenting inflation, the announcement that the major supermarkets had cut the price of milk to 90p hit the national headlines. Out and about it can cost over £1. Not Gawsworth milk from our local Newton's Dairy though.

A pint is just 75p in our Community Shop or delivered to your doorstep. Plus, the supermarkets don't offer the cheery chat or community support of our wonderful Hub volunteers and the Newtons out on their rounds.

We asked Danny Newton how they managed to deliver such a high-quality product at a bargain price. He replied "One of the main reasons we manage to keep our costs so affordable is that we have removed the middle-man who takes a cut. We only deliver in a five mile radius from the farm, this not only keeps us local but keeps transport costs to a minimum and makes the air miles on our products very low.

Also our girls graze for as much of the year as the weather will allow, this keeps the costs of imported feed low as we can grow grass very well and allow the girls to

convert the high quality, natural feed source into a high quality product."

Back in summer 2022 over 800 people attended an open day at Trevors Close Farm and had a fascinating peek behind the farm gates, meeting 'the girls' and tasting delicious cheese and flavoured milk samples.

Danny was recently awarded the NFU 'Farming Hero' award for all the work 'for the local community providing services beyond farming'. Gawsworth is very grateful.

Plans withdrawn

Controversial plans at Woodhouse End Road have been withdrawn. The proposed agricultural livestock building and a temporary caravan dwelling were objected to by the parish council.

Withdrawal often happens when officers indicate a refusal is likely.



Parish Council Elections

Nine councillors have been elected unopposed to the Parish Council, meaning there is no poll.

Adam Hardy, Gordon Mitchell, Rupert Richards, Paul Woods and Julia Wright have all been re-elected for Village Ward.

Emma Clarke, Clair Dempsey, and Penny Shepherd were re-elected for Moss ward.

They are joined by new councillor Andrea Kinsey, who was previously involved in preparing the Gawsworth Neighbourhood Plan.

Margaret Parry has stepped down after four years and was thanked for her service at the April meeting.

The Parish Council next meets on Tuesday 16th May at 7:30pm where the council will be discussing tenders for its parish maintenance contract.

CEC Elections

[cont]

Andrew Wheatstone (Green Party).

Macclesfield South Ward, which includes the Penningtons Lane area has seven candidates seeking election to the two seats. These are Joyce Beasley and David Dooley (Conservative), Eddie Murphy and Andy Oldfield (Independent), John Peckham (Green Party) and Brian Puddicombe and Fiona Wilson (Labour).

Polls are open 7am to 10pm. ID is required to vote. Results announced on Friday 5th.

Wildflowers on the way

The Parish Council has agreed to increase colour in Gawsworth.

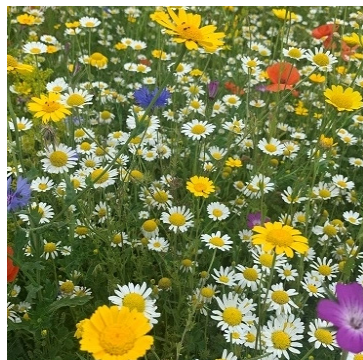
We've all enjoyed the existing spring flowers but we could do more. In the autumn the bank on Woodhouse Lane, opposite Longbutts Lane, will be planted with a perennial mix plus some annuals and spring bulbs to give an initial splash. A few small fruit trees will also be planted.

Peaks and Plains, which owns the bank, will undertake a reduced mowing schedule.

Meanwhile, Parish Councillors are

identifying other verges and green spaces which could be brightened up and resolved to work with Cheshire East Council highways, who own the verges, to get permission to extend the colouring up programme.

If you have some ideas, come along to the annual Parish Meeting or drop a note to clerk@gawsworthpc.org.uk



Gawsworth Hub News

Now that spring is well and truly with us it's becoming a very busy time for Gawsworth Hub.

As part of the upcoming coronation celebration weekend, Gawsworth Hub will have a stall in the park at the Family Fun Day where we will be selling many items including non-perishable goodies hampers to complement your picnic; also, in the village hall we will be serving teas, coffees, soft drinks and biscuits for a small donation.

In the Hub on Tuesday 16th May between 2pm and 4pm, we are holding a Ladies Clothing swap. Bring along 5 items of clothing, receive one

token for each garment and then swap for anything that takes your fancy. Entry fee is £2.50 and includes a drink and biscuit.

Also, on Tuesday 16th May in the evening, our volunteers will be enjoying their much-deserved annual BBQ at the Harrington Arms which is financed by the generosity of our customers. We are always on the lookout for new volunteers as there is always so much to do at the Hub such as shopping runs, working in the shop or café, administrative and finance jobs, hosting a group community event in the meeting place and much more.

If you are interested then why not drop an email to volunteering@gawsworthhub.co.uk for more details.

The Hub will be holding its AGM in the village hall on June 11th at 2pm. Please come along and support our vital community enterprise. We'll be reporting on the last year as well as outlining our future plans. Complimentary refreshments will be provided.

After the success of the two quizzes we hosted in the winter, we're planning some more events in the village on Friday 30th June and Saturday 23rd September so keep these dates free and look out for more details.

May activity in the Hub

10th May 2pm – 4pm
Knit and natter

16th May 2pm – 4pm
Ladies Clothing Swap

27th May 2pm – 4pm
Gardeners' Club

