Gawsworth Parish Council

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To the Members of Gawsworth Parish Council

You are summoned to attend a meeting of Gawsworth Parish Council to be held at 19:30 on Tuesday 10th November 2026 in Gawsworth Village Hall.

The public can also join the meeting on Microsoft Teams or watch live on Facebook at www.facebook.com/gawsworthlife.

Adam Keppel-Green
Clerk and Proper Officer
5th November 2026

AGENDA

1930 **1** **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
To receive apologies for absence.

1930 **2** **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
In the interests of openness and transparency, members are to declare any pecuniary, personal and prejudicial interests in relation to the items under discussion.

1930 **3** **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
A period for members of the public to address the meeting.

1950 **4** **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**
To receive and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 20th October.

Attachment – Minutes of the meeting held 20th October

1950 **5** **CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS REPORT**
To receive a report from the councillors for Gawsworth and Macclesfield South wards.

2000 **6** **FINANCE**
To note the council's financial position year to date

Attachment – Receipts and Payments Report November 2026

To approve payments and note receipts and bank balances for October

Attachment – Payments, Receipts and Balances Report November 2026

2005 **7** **LAND OFF LONGBUTTS LANE DEVELOPMENT**

To note the council is meeting with the site promoters on 11th November.
To consider a response to the pre-application consultation.

2035 **8** **PEAK CLUSTER PIPELINE**

To consider matters related to the Peak Cluster project

To note the next consultation commences on 12th November and closes 18th December and determine if a Parish Council response to the consultation should be agreed at an additional meeting in December or prepared by the Clerk following input from members.

2045 **9** **COMMUNITY IR CAMERA**

To consider establishing a community infrared camera scheme to help households identify improvements to insulation.

Attachment – Report 26-09 Community IR Camera Scheme

2055 **10** **VILLAGE HALL WATERBUTT**

To consider installing a water butt on the Village Hall.

Attachment – Report 26-10 Village Hall Water Butt

2105 **11** **QUIET LANES**

To consider seeking 'quiet lane' designation for Maggoty Lane, and other suitable lanes.

Attachment – Report 26-11 Quiet Lanes

2115 **12** **STAFF TRAINING**

To consider approval of the clerk's attendance at the SLCC Practitioners' Conference 2027 (£475)

2120 **13** **PARISH MATTERS**

An opportunity for members to raise matters which require attention or future discussion.

2130 **14** **STRATEGIC PLAN, PARISH MAINTENANCE AND ACTIONS LOGS**

To review the Strategic Plan, Parish Maintenance and Outstanding Actions logs.

Attachments – Strategic Plan, Maintenance and Outstanding Actions logs.

2135 **15** **QUESTIONS TO THE CLERK**

An opportunity to raise questions to the Clerk.

2140 **16** **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A period for members of the public to address the meeting.

2145 **17** **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

To note the next meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th January 2027.

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Minutes

of the council meeting held

Tuesday 20th October 2026 in the Gawsworth Village Hall

26/089 PRESENT

Cllrs Hardy *(presiding)*, Hollinshead, Richards, Shepherd and Webb

A Keppel-Green (Clerk)

26/090 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs Clarke, Dempsey, Kinsey and Woods.

26/091 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs Hardy and Richards declared a prejudicial interest in 26/093 as members of the Parochial Church Council.

26/092 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A resident spoke in relation to the proposed Penningtons Lane development stating they had counted cars with 130-200 cars turning into Penningtons Lane from Congleton Road per day, and that a new estate in Macclesfield of 152 houses has around 97 car movements in the same period.

A resident asked what was discussed with Asteer Planning when the council with them. Cllr Webb advised it was an online meeting, where the council raised the concerns highlighted by the community including flooding, traffic and water supply. Cllr Webb stated she felt Asteer were listening to the concerns raised and liaising with Cheshire East Council regarding traffic.

A resident referred to a Supreme Court decision of 2017 which found against Cheshire East Council then due to a lack of a five-year housing land supply. They further stated that the local plan is the document which will guide decisions, and that the NPPF is guidance.

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26/093 FUTURE OF BURIAL PROVISION

Cllrs Hardy and Richards were given opportunity to make a statement to the council before they withdrew from the meeting.

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Shepherd preside over this item.

Reverend Colin Wilson, Rector of St James Church, was invited to address the meeting. Rev Wilson explained that the land sought for an extension was originally glebe land and that all such lands were transferred from parishes to the dioceses in the 1970s. The Chester Diocese had agreed to sell the land to the Church for £30,000 and a resident has offered to donate £25,000 to the Church towards this; the Church can fund the £5,000 balance to acquire the land.

Rev Wilson highlighted that the churchyard operates at a deficit but the PCC had agreed to extend the churchyard if the Parish Council committed to underwriting the costs of maintaining the extension. It was stated the extension could be delivered in phases and that he was confident the community would deliver in-kind support to significantly reduce the necessary set up costs.

Rev Wilson took questions from the council, and it was confirmed that the PCC would continue to be responsible for maintaining the existing churchyard and that it would bear responsibility for funding and securing planning permission and necessary consents.

It was **RESOLVED** that the council fund the maintenance of the churchyard extension.

It was **RESOLVED** that, subject to a formal agreement being approved, to give a perpetual undertaking to fund the maintenance of the churchyard extension subject to the agreement setting out that the specification and costs shall be reviewed from time-to-time by the Parish Council and Parochial Church Council and set by mutual agreement with both parties acting reasonably.

Cllrs Hardy and Richards rejoined the meeting.

26/094 PENNINGTONS LANE DEVELOPMENT

It was **RESOLVED** to respond to the pre-application consultation highlighting the following:

- significant concern that the proposed access is from Penningtons Lane which is not designed for the level of traffic, even if widened
- concern that without a properly designed link road first, developments will frequently cut across Penningtons Lane degrading the use of the road for users
- concern over the impact on surface water drainage and flooding which occurs
- concern over the impact the development will have on surrounding properties in terms of amenity and overlooking, with the need for strong buffers

- concern over the adequacy of the water and sewerage system/supply
- disappointment at the lack of amenity/facilities provided
- uncertainty as to the impact the development will have on the Danes Moss SSSI
- the increase in light and noise pollution from the development
- the need for the preservation of veteran trees on the site

26/095 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held 8th September.

26/096 CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS REPORT

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Wilson, Puddicombe and Smetham.

Cllrs Wilson and Puddicombe submitted a report which stated that the recent announcement on Peak Cluster was welcomed for Gawsworth but there continued to be uncertainty about the proposal and misinformation; the councillors continue to be lobbied by those expressing support for carbon capture and storage and whilst they supported the motion at Cheshire East Council to oppose the project at this time, they emphasise it is an early stage and future proposals will need to be considered appropriately.

The report further noted that the Penningtons Lane proposals were at an early stage and that they have received a number of emails in objection but remind objectors to ensure they are also sent to the developer. The councillors have made their own comments regarding affordable housing, infrastructure and highways improvements needed, but would not wish to comment further publicly in case they need to sit on committees deciding applications in due course.

Cllr Smetham had submitted report highlighting that the council had been required to change its constitution to implement changes to decision making in planning, with government preventing many types of application being determined by committees and instead requiring their delegation to officers.

26/097 PEAK CLUSTER PIPELINE

It was noted that a revised route had been published which significantly reduces the direct impact of the line on Gawsworth. Cllrs Shepherd and Webb have booked to attend a 'pipeline conversation' meeting with Cheshire East Council on 13th November.

Cllr Hollinshead undertook to meet with a farmer who is particularly affected by the change in route.

26/098 FINANCE

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the following payments.

Payee	Detail	Amount
HMRC	Q2 PAYE	1,485.10
L and J Print	August/September Gazette Printing	100.00
Northwich TC	September Contract	1,228.80
Gort and March	Q2 Payroll	52.20
M Herring	September Ranger Contract	674.87
Marmax	2 no. benches	868.80
St James PCC	Christmas Tree Festival	25.00
Sport Equip	Replacement Basketball Back/Hoop	336.00
PKF Littlejohn	External Audit Fee	1,008.00
A Keppel-Green	October Salary (inc NJC adjustment to 1st April)	692.34
A Keppel-Green	Reimbursements (mileage, stamps)	70.60
	Total	**6,541.71**

The receipts since the previous meeting were noted.

The notice of conclusion of the external audit was noted and the Clerk explained the error in the original accounting statements related to the figure for the fixed asset register in the previous year.

26/099 CHRISTMAS LIGHTING

It was noted that the cost of replacing the arch was just over £2,000.

It was agreed to instead look to install additional lighting around the Pleasance which could be installed locally and reused annually.

It was **RESOLVED** to approve a budget of £800 for the purchase of lights for the Pleasance and Penningtons Lane Christmas tree.

26/100 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

It was reported that the traffic management for the road closure had previously been undertaken by volunteers, who were no longer willing to do it and it had been referred to the parish council to facilitate. The Clerk reported that the previous arrangement seemed to have been informal without legal authority to close the road, and that for the council to do it, it needed appropriate traffic management.

It was noted that either professional traffic management would be arranged, or a councillor would undertake the necessary training to implement it.

26/101 PARISH MATTERS

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The following matters were raised:

- The litterbin by the A536/Harrington Arms was overflowing
- The village sign was still awaiting repair
- A hedge along Gawsworth Road requires cutting as the height is clipping vehicles/causing them to drive in the centre of the road
- A building is being constructed off Woodhouse End Road and it is uncertain as to whether there is planning permission

26/102 STRATEGIC PLAN, PARISH MAINTENANCE AND ACTIONS LOGS

The logs were noted.

26/103 QUESTIONS TO THE CLERK

The clerk responded to a question advising that no further correspondence regarding CIL had been received from Cheshire East Council, but the council had received a payment in respect of another development.

The clerk confirmed the deadline for submitting articles for the November Gazette would be 28th October.

26/104 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public were present. The clerk read comments on the Facebook stream which included uncertainty as to requirements for formal traffic management qualifications to undertake road closures, disappointment that the arch would not be renewed and queries on the churchyard.

26/105 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next meetings would be held on Tuesday 10th November 2026.

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Gawsworth Parish Council

Detailed Receipts & Payments by Budget Heading 05/11/2026

Committee Report

		Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent
Full Council							
101	Administration						
1001	Ground Rent	0	2	2			0.0%
1870	Interest Received	958	2,000	1,042			47.9%
1900	Precept	44,777	44,777	0			100.0%
	Administration :- Receipts	**45,735**	**46,779**	**1,044**			**97.8%**
4031	Subscriptions	630	635	5		5	99.3%
4100	Postages	70	180	110		110	38.7%
4101	Stationery	0	100	100		100	0.0%
4102	Room Hire	0	50	50		50	0.0%
4103	Insurance	801	750	(51)		(51)	106.9%
4104	Audit Fee	1,212	990	(222)		(222)	122.4%
4106	Computer Software/Hardware	524	210	(314)		(314)	249.5%
4107	Grants & Donations	25	600	575		575	4.2%
4109	Payroll Services	170	215	45		45	79.2%
4115	Print	0	100	100		100	0.0%
4120	Banking Charges	56	120	64		64	46.7%
4999	Miscellaneous Costs/Purchases	19	150	131		131	12.8%
	Administration :- Indirect Payments	**3,508**	**4,100**	**592**	**0**	**592**	**85.6%**
	Net Receipts over Payments	**42,227**	**42,679**	**452**			
102	Employee Costs						
4000	Salaries	4,688	6,700	2,012		2,012	70.0%
4001	Home Working Allowance	156	312	156		156	50.0%
4005	PAYE/NI	2,860	5,670	2,810		2,810	50.4%
4010	Employee Mileage	199	500	301		301	39.9%
4020	Employee Training	0	500	500		500	0.0%
	Employee Costs :- Indirect Payments	**7,903**	**13,682**	**5,779**	**0**	**5,779**	**57.8%**
	Net Payments	**(7,903)**	**(13,682)**	**(5,779)**			
103	Members Costs						
4011	Member Mileage	0	50	50		50	0.0%
4021	Member Training	150	150	0		0	100.0%
	Members Costs :- Indirect Payments	**150**	**200**	**50**	**0**	**50**	**75.0%**
	Net Payments	**(150)**	**(200)**	**(50)**			

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		Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent
105	Communications						
1025	Donations Received	0	300	300			0.0%
1050	Advertising Income	90	200	110			45.0%
	Communications :- Receipts	**90**	**500**	**410**			**18.0%**
4100	Postages	182	180	(2)		(2)	101.1%
4110	Website Costs	64	220	156		156	29.2%
4115	Print	352	350	(2)		(2)	100.6%
4116	Gawsworth Gazette	400	600	200		200	66.7%
	Communications :- Indirect Payments	**998**	**1,350**	**352**	**0**	**352**	**73.9%**
	Net Receipts over Payments	**(908)**	**(850)**	**58**			
110	Parks & Woodland						
4180	External Contractors	88	2,500	2,413		2,413	3.5%
4200	Park Maintenance	8,053	12,700	4,647		4,647	63.4%
4205	Woodland Maintenance	1,346	1,085	(261)		(261)	124.0%
4207	Park Improvements	2,070	6,600	4,530		4,530	31.4%
4208	Woodland Improvements	829	1,325	496		496	62.6%
4215	Tree Works	600	1,500	900		900	40.0%
4999	Miscellaneous Costs/Purchases	21	150	129		129	14.0%
	Parks & Woodland :- Indirect Payments	**13,006**	**25,860**	**12,854**	**0**	**12,854**	**50.3%**
	Net Payments	**(13,006)**	**(25,860)**	**(12,854)**			
120	Operational Costs						
1025	Donations Received	865	0	(865)			0.0%
	Operational Costs :- Receipts	**865**	**0**	**(865)**			
4206	Parish Maintenance	2,573	3,535	962		962	72.8%
4210	Ranger Works	1,839	3,900	2,061		2,061	47.2%
4250	Parish Improvements	977	2,000	1,023		1,023	48.9%
4305	Streetlighting	145	300	155		155	48.3%
4310	Christmas Lights	0	1,500	1,500		1,500	0.0%
4320	Remembrance Sunday	206	0	(206)		(206)	0.0%
4999	Miscellaneous Costs/Purchases	0	200	200		200	0.0%
	Operational Costs :- Indirect Payments	**5,740**	**11,435**	**5,695**	**0**	**5,695**	**50.2%**
	Net Receipts over Payments	**(4,875)**	**(11,435)**	**(6,560)**			

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Gawsworth Parish Council

Detailed Receipts & Payments by Budget Heading 05/11/2026

Committee Report

		Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent
130	Special Projects						
1901	Community Infrastructure Levy	541	0	(541)			0.0%
	Special Projects :- Receipts	**541**	**0**	**(541)**			
	Net Receipts	**541**	**0**	**(541)**			
999	VAT Data						
115	VAT Refunds	3,201	0	(3,201)			0.0%
	VAT Data :- Receipts	**3,201**	**0**	**(3,201)**			
515	VAT on Payments	2,686	0	(2,686)		(2,686)	0.0%
	VAT Data :- Indirect Payments	**2,686**	**0**	**(2,686)**	**0**	**(2,686)**	
	Net Receipts over Payments	**515**	**0**	**(515)**			
	Full Council :- Receipts	**50,432**	**47,279**	**(3,153)**			**106.7%**
	Payments	**33,992**	**56,627**	**22,635**	**0**	**22,635**	**60.0%**
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	**16,440**	**(9,348)**	**(25,788)**			
	Grand Totals:- Receipts	**50,432**	**47,279**	**(3,153)**			**106.7%**
	Payments	**33,992**	**56,627**	**22,635**	**0**	**22,635**	**60.0%**
	Net Receipts over Payments	**16,440**	**(9,348)**	**(25,788)**			
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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS – NOVEMBER 2026

Payments (for approval)

Payee	Detail	Amount
L and J Print	October Gazette Printing	100.00
Knutsford Town Council	Traffic Management Training (SH)	180.00
Berry's	Advance Notice Signs (Remembrance Sunday)	43.20
Duttons	Hire of Road Closure Signs/Cones	204.00
A Keppel-Green	November Salary	586.96
A Keppel-Green	Reimbursements (mileage, laptop)	337.10
A Keppel-Green	December Salary	586.96
	Total	**2,038.22**

Receipts (to note)

1st October to 31st October

Payee	Detail	Amount
Cheshire East Council	CIL Payment	540.52

Bank Balances (to note)

As at 30/09/2026

Account	Balance
Unity Trust Bank – Current	149.76
Unity Trust Bank – Savings (IA)	30,411.93
Virgin Money – 6 Month bond	45,356.56

REPORT TO GAWSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
THERMAL IMAGING CAMERA

Report Reference	GPC 26-09
Meeting Date	10th November 2026
Agenda Item	9
Prepared by	Clerk

1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Green Gawsworth Strategy sets out a number of actions the Parish Council will lead on to tackle climate change and support biodiversity. The working group previously developed a list of actions which were agreed in principle by the Council in 2024.

One action was to purchase an infrared camera to enable households to inspect their insulation and heat loss.

Across the UK, local authorities and climate groups have increasingly adopted thermal imaging schemes to address household energy efficiency, reduce carbon emissions, and alleviate fuel poverty. Providing residents with a practical tool to visualise heat loss bridges the gap between awareness and action, enabling targeted, low-cost home improvements. Most homeowners assume their properties are reasonably insulated, yet national data indicates a widespread gap in awareness regarding actual building efficiency. Thermal cameras turn invisible drafts and missing insulation into high-contrast visual data. Residents can immediately identify hidden problem areas, such as cold spots around window frames, uninsulated loft hatches, unbonded cavity walls, and radiator heat sinking.

Professional thermal surveys can cost several hundred pounds, creating a barrier to entry for many households. A council-owned loan camera allows residents to perform self-assessments and focus on immediate, affordable solutions such as draught-proofing doors, installing thermal curtains and fitting radiator reflector foil which can be done at minimal cost with immediate returns on energy bills.

The cameras can also help homeowners identify insulation gaps providing them with evidence before investing in larger professional retrofits. With the current high costs for domestic heating, the scheme would both support the council's environmental objectives and provide households with opportunity to understand ways to reduce their bills.

2.0 PROPOSED SCHEME

The proposal is that the Parish Council buy a HIKMICRO B10S Thermal Camera at a cost of £365.

The council would then work with the Hub as a distribution point for the camera (this is to be

discussed with the Hub, following council approval of the cost). Residents would sign the camera out for a few days to undertake an assessment and on return they would be asked to complete a brief questionnaire for the council to assess the impact of loan i.e. what the homeowner found and what action they are likely to take.

The scheme would be promoted through the Gawsworth Gazette, noticeboards and online. Links to guidance information to help homeowners understand what actions should be taken following a survey will be included.

3.0 DECISIONS REQUIRED

The Council should consider approval of the scheme.

REPORT TO GAWSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
VILLAGE HALL WATER BUTT

Report Reference	GPC 26-10
Meeting Date	10th November 2026
Agenda Item	10
Prepared by	Clerk

1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Green Gawsworth Strategy sets out a number of actions the Parish Council will lead on to tackle climate change and support biodiversity. The working group previously developed a list of actions which were agreed in principle by the Council in 2024. One action was to install a water butt on the village hall to reduce freshwater use in the community garden.

Using water butts helps conserve energy by reducing the use of freshwater (which is treated to be potable). It provides a more sustainable source of water for gardening use. It also would contribute to a minor reduction in water costs for the village hall and reduce surface water runoff into sewers during heavy downpours, contributing to drainage sustainability and improving sewer capacity.

Three options for water butts are below:



210L - £55



134L - £177



276L - £134

2.0 DECISIONS REQUIRED

The Council should consider approval of the installation of a water butt on the village hall.

REPORT TO GAWSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
QUIET LANES

Report Reference	GPC 26-11
Meeting Date	10th November 2026
Agenda Item	11
Prepared by	Clerk

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Cllr Webb requested the council consider seeking quiet lane designation for Maggoty Lane.

A 'Quiet Lane' is a road designation introduced under the Transport Act 2000. The Highway Code (rule 218) states they (and 'Home Zone' introduced under the same Act) are "places where people could be using the whole of the road for a range of activities such as children playing or for a community event. You should drive slowly and carefully and be prepared to stop to allow people extra time to make space for you to pass them in safety."

A quiet lane is indicated by the following sign:



Quiet lanes are suitable for minor roads. CPRE suggests they are "really only appropriate for minor rural roads, C or unclassified routes, which are single-carriageway" Their introduction often aims to reduce traffic on roads by encouraging it onto more suitable roads. The aim is to make users feel safer and more confident when travelling; they can, but need not necessarily be, implemented in conjunction with other measures to reduce speed/traffic volumes.

No Cheshire East Council policies currently refer to quiet lanes and there is no information on them on the council website. They are not mentioned in the Local Transport Plan and not referred to in the Public Rights of Way Improvement Plan. The 2006-2011 ROWIP had included an objective to develop the use of quiet lanes and the 2011-2026 plan noted they were established in the Macclesfield Forest area.

2.0 DESIGNATION PROCESS

The designation of a quiet lane is regulated by the Quiet Lanes and Home Zones (England) Regulations 2006. It is a formal designation made by the highway authority (i.e. Cheshire East Council) and there are requirements to:

- give occupiers of premises in the area affected opportunity to make representations
- hold a public meeting in the area
- advertise the opportunity to make representations and the meeting in a local newspaper and writing to aforesaid occupiers

The borough council is likely to be keen to understand there is local support before formally commencing the process.

3.0 DECISION REQUIRED

Council should consider:

a) Does it wish to pursue Cheshire East Council designating Maggoty Lane as a quiet lane?
b) Are there other suitable roads in the parish for which a designation should also be sought?

Should the council wish to pursue quiet lane designation, it would be suggested that:

a) The Clerk seek the endorsement of the proposal from the Cheshire East Councillor(s)
b) The Clerk writes to the Head of Highways asking for the process to seek designation and outlining the parish council's willingness to facilitate the process locally including to undertake a preliminary survey to gauge support

MAINTENANCE AND ENFORCEMENT LOG

PENNINGTONS LANE AREA

Issue	Location	Notes	Responsible	Reported/Update
Missing speed limit sign	Opp. 90 Congleton Road		CEC	February 2026
Overgrown hedge/verge	Sussex Avenue /Congleton Road		CEC / Homeowners	June 2026
Damage streetlight/sign	Macclesfield Border	Speed limit sign on opposite side also now flat.	CEC	September 2026
Path overgrown	Rising Sun Road to Penningtons Lane	Ranger to attend to	CEC/GPC	September 2026
Verge requires edging out	Congleton Road / Moss View Road	Ranger to attend to		September 2026
Streetlight out	Hillcrest Road0000	Electrician due to inspect	GPC	October 2026

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Issue	Location	Notes	Responsible	Reported/Update
Footpath and road edge degraded badly	Church Lane between Harrington Arms and Gandysbrook	Footpath needs relaying. No prospect of this being done		Ref 3817719
Narrowed pavement	Deans Farm to the Rising Sun	Awaiting quote for siding out	CEC	June 2026

WARREN END OF VILLAGE

Issue	Location	Notes	Responsible	Reported/Update
Rotting Stump	Woodhouse Lane	"The tree on Woodhouse lane will eventually be removed when we have sufficient funding available."	CEC	Ref 4669610 April 2026
Road signs to be cleaned	Various	On Ranger Job List. Some have been completed.		
Deteriorating pavements	St James Avenue		Peaks and Plains	
Woodhouse Lane Sign	Lowes Lane Jnct	Ranger to replace backing board	Ranger	August 2025
Faded stop signs	Woodhouse Lane	Junction with Church Lane.	CEC	August 2025 SR510001687

Gawsworth Sign	Church Lane	Repair instructed.	Parish Council	April 2026
Grit Bin Required	Warren Close to Woodhouse Road	Request submitted to CEC. Chased October 2026.	TBC	January 2026

CHURCH END OF VILLAGE

Issue	Location	Notes	Responsible	Reported/Update
Damaged kerbs/	Church Lane (opp Church)	Not currently on any programme for repair. Monitored by Highways Officer for deterioration. The highway boundary is the kerb line.	CEC	Ref 5328454
Pavement uneven due to roots	opp. New Hall	Will be put forward for works in the future. Will be included in accessibility audit	CEC	
Fingerpost requires repainting	opp. Harrington Arms	On Rangers list.	Ranger	August 2025

ELSEWHERE

Issue	Location	Notes	Responsible	Reported/Update
Uneven surface	Church Lane nr Harrington Arms		CEC	
Recurring Pothole	Gawsworth Road	Main potholes fixed. To be monitored for recurrence.	CEC	Feb 25
Dead Tree	Adjacent to FP6	Reported to CEC, onwards reported to CEC assets.	CEC	May 25 EFRM130290
Road Surface Requires Attention	Lowes Lane		CEC	August 2025
Hedge requires cutting	Gawsworth Road		CEC	October 2026

NANCY'S WOOD / GAWSWORTH PARK

Issue	Location	Notes	Responsible	Reported/Update
Gap in fence to rear field	Nancy's Wood	Ranger to assess	GPC	

PLANNING / HIGHWAYS ENFORCEMENT

Issue	Location	Notes	Ref/Update
Use of building for residential accommodation	Middle Moss Farm, Lowes Lane	Awaiting follow up from Planning Enforcement	23/00979E 04/11/2024
Erection of building	Field off Shellow Lane		23/00271E
Operation of campsite	High Lane Farm		25/0130/ENF
Erection of building	Field off Woodhouse End Road		

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REF	ACTION	LEAD	TARGET DATE	STATUS	NOTES
2601	Explore a soft plastics recycling point in the village	Green Gawsworth WG	31/08/2026	Outstanding	Changes to recycling legislation will require home recycling to be offered from 2028. Suggest not to progress.
2602	Purchase an IR camera to enable households to inspect their insulation/heat loss	Green Gawsworth WG	30/09/2026	Outstanding	Report prepared for November meeting.
2603	Provide water butts on the village hall/scout hall for use at the community garden	Green Gawsworth WG	31/07/2026	Outstanding	Report prepared for November meeting.
2604	Develop the business case for acquiring the land at Maggoty Lane for a new open space	Park and Woodland WG	31/08/2026	Outstanding	Awaiting quote for site clearance and analysis of Q from survey to inform discussion.
2605	Relocate picnic benches to play area	Park and Woodland WG	30/06/2026	Outstanding	On Ranger job list
2606	Develop options for a shelter	Park and Woodland WG	31/03/2027	Outstanding	
2607	Improve basketball area	Park and Woodland WG	31/12/2026	Outstanding	Replacement backboard and hoop installed. Lining cost to be looked at.
2608	Develop planting in orchard area	Park and Woodland WG	31/03/2027	Outstanding	
2609	Clean and repaint the iron finger post	Park and Woodland WG	30/06/2026	Outstanding	On Ranger job list
2610	Create a bug hotel	Park and Woodland WG	31/10/2026	Outstanding	
2611	Plant additional woodland flowering bulbs	Park and Woodland WG	31/10/2026	Outstanding	
2612	Develop a communications strategy	Communications WG	30/09/2026	Outstanding	
2613	Develop six areas of councillor knowledge over the year	Clerk / Members	31/05/2026	Outstanding	Awaiting councillors to complete surveys.
2614	Develop PROW improvement plan	Footpaths WG	30/06/2026	Outstanding	
2615	Identify desirable permissive path routes	Footpaths WG	31/07/2026	Outstanding	
2616	Explore the submission of DMMO applications to register new PROW	Footpaths WG	31/08/2026	Outstanding	
2617	Undertake an accessibility audit of the parish	TBD	31/12/2026	Outstanding	
2618	Undertake a survey crossing points to identify areas for improvement	TBD	31/07/2026	Outstanding	

OUTSTANDING ACTIONS

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Action Ref	Creation Date	Source	Subject	Description	Responsible	Minute Ref	Priority	Status	Activity Log / Notes
2011		Discussion	Parish Paths / Walk Leaflet	Development of reworked Parish Paths Booklet	Cllr Woods / Gawsworth Hub		Low	In Progress	Text drafted, Clerk to work up publishable and web version.
2407	15/10/24	Decision	Steps from Benbrook Way	Exploration of creating additional steps / reducing height of bottom step.	Clerk	24/092	Medium		Options to be explored with CEC Highways.
2410	08/04/25	Decision	Councillor Skill/Knowledge development	Clerk to identify means of supporting development in identified areas	Clerk	24/177	Medium	In Progress	Survey issued to members – only Cllrs Hardy, Webb and Woods have completed to date.
2411	08/04/25	Decision	Danes Moss Sunken Lane	To be surveyed	Clerk	24/179	Low	In Progress	Surveyed, to be written up.
2502	12/08/25	Discussion	Funders signs for park	Awaiting installation	Clerk		Medium	In Progress	Awaiting installation.
2509	11/11/25	Decision	Community Orchard Information Board	Sign being designed	Clerk		Medium	In Progress	Currently being designed
2510	13/01/26	Discussion	Ownership of fields to be investigated	Lowes Lane	Clerk	25/129	Medium	In Progress	
2512	10/02/26	Decision	Replacement Trees to be planted	Gawsworth Park	Clerk	25/143	Medium	In Progress	Will be procured for autumn planting.