



Gnosall Parish Council (Including the wards of Moreton & Knightley)

Notes of the GFEST Meeting, Grosvenor & Events Committee held on 27th April 2026 at 7.30pm in the Parish Office

Present

CLlr Booth (in the chair), Cllr Pearson, Cllr Parry, Cllr Gregory, J Marshall Chief Officer

1. To receive Apologies and record absences

Jordan Archer

2. To record declarations of interest

none

3. To receive and confirm the notes of the GFest meeting held on the 13th of January 2026.

The notes were approved and signed by the Chair at the last full Grosvenor and Events Committee meeting.

4. To consider any matters arising

The Chief Officer advised that St. Lawrence Church would like to host the craft market as part of the Christmas Carnival this year. It will be added to the next full Grosvenor and Events Committee meeting agenda.

5. To discuss GFest 2026

- **Open Gardens** - refreshments will be served at the Grosvenor over both days, volunteers have been arranged. Won't prevent garden holders from serving refreshments. Craft activities are arranged for both days 11am - 1pm. Other activities to include possible plant sale and/or second-hand book sale. Tickets will be sold from the Grosvenor Centre, and transport will run from the centre. CO to engage with minibus owners in the first instance or Community Link. Risk assessments will be conducted the week before the event. 5/6 confirmed gardens, still need a few more. Working with GGA to open allotments. Map will be created once all gardens are confirmed. Each garden will get 20 tickets to sell on the day. Tickets £5 may increase depending on transport costs.
- **GFest activities** - 18 activities confirmed to date with some listed but unconfirmed. Speak to Bob Middleton re Lock-in fundraiser. Classical concert date has been agreed - Sat 11th at Village Hall. Hall needed for daytime rehearsals. Additional parking required. A further meeting to be held closer to the event. CO to confirm details of Civic Service with Vicar and invite dignitaries, choir etc. Jordan is arranging Made in Gnosall market, stall holders waiting on confirmation. Still some organisations, pubs etc to respond - fire brigade community car wash, drumming session, Phoenix open Day, Open Mic Night etc. CO to look at arranging council event/s on Saturday 18th. Eco event and silent disco discussed.
- **Canal Fest** - Barry Witts arranging, will tie in with GFest.

- **Prizes** – still quite a few left from last time. More pens, pencils, high lighters and bottle openers. Around £500 budget remaining from grant received in 2023.
- **Raffle** – this is the prize draw. Graham Symons to be asked if he is happy to source prizes again this year. Tickets £1 each or £5 a book. Draw will take place on Sunday 19th at Quiz.
- Sponsorship – no sponsorship, businesses that donate prizes are tagged or listed.
- **Budget** – sufficient funds in the GFest bank to facilitate the event. Post event the money raised will be distributed to local community causes.
- Moreton & Knightley – CO to liaise with representatives to find out if they have any events they would like to include in the GFest programme.

6. To agree date and time of next ordinary Grosvenor & Events meeting

20th May 2026

Meeting closed 9.05pm