

# Member Briefing

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**Title:** Great Get Together

**Summary:** The Great Get Together is taking place over the weekend of 17 and 18 June 2017

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## Background

The Big Lunch, Jo Cox Foundation and dozens of other groups have joined forces to invite people to come together with friends, neighbours and others they don't know for street parties, picnics, barbecues and bake-off competitions. It follows the first anniversary of Jo Cox's murder on 16 June last year.

The event is expected to be the biggest event of its kind since the Queen's Diamond Jubilee in 2012 and the weekend will be an opportunity to celebrate all that Britain's diverse communities hold in common.

## Local context

Neighbours, community groups and town and parish council across West Cheshire are being encouraged to join in this national event, which supports the Council's thriving community's ambition and fits strategically with the volunteering agenda.

To support and encourage groups to organise a street party the process has been made very simple. To find out more visit: [www.streetparty.org.uk](http://www.streetparty.org.uk) and remember a licence is not always needed. We will also be actively promoting the initiative through all our communication channels.

More helpful tips, advice and support for organising a successful Great Get Together can be found by visiting: [www.greatgettogether.org](http://www.greatgettogether.org). This website also provides information about what is happening across the UK and will encourage organisers to register their event.

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