

RULES OF CANNOCK WOOD PARISH COUNCIL PHOTO COMPETITION

CLOSING DATE 9TH MARCH 2026



1. All **photos must be taken within Cannock Wood or Gentleshaw.**
 2. **Categories are:**
 - Castle Ring and the forest
 - Gentleshaw Common
 - Village scenes (street scenes and events)
 - Macro (the little things in life)
 - Skyscapes and the weather
 - In bloom
- Photos by under 18s:** Any of the categories shown.
- Photos by under 12s:** Any of the categories shown.
3. You should submit entries as soon as possible by filling in the entry form available using the QR code above and linked here <https://form.jotform.com/250222832426348>.
 4. **All entries must be received by midnight on 9th March 2026.**
 5. Photos must not be inappropriate. Cannock Wood Parish Council will exclude any images it deems to be inappropriate.
 6. **Photos must not include the faces of children or young people under the age of 18 under any circumstances.** The entrant must have obtained permission of any people featured as subjects in the photo who are clearly identifiable in the image. It is the entrant's responsibility to ensure all rights and permissions have been obtained for their image and to inform the Parish Council immediately if that consent is later withdrawn.
 7. Photos must have been taken by the entrant. You can enter photos taken at any time since 1st January 2020 but not any previously submitted to a Cannock Wood Parish Council photo competition.
 8. **Each entrant can enter a total of 6 photos** but a separate entry form is required for each, unless the photos form a set to be displayed together (e.g. the same view taken in different seasons). Provide a unique title to each of your images.
 9. Images can be captured from any device, including a camera, tablet or mobile phone and must be the work solely of the entrant. Retouching / manipulation of digital images is accepted provided that all works are original works and not copies of other people's works. Images generated by Artificial Intelligence (AI) are not permitted. You may be asked to send us the original camera/phone image file, with full metadata, as part of the process of accepting or judging your entry.
 10. Entries must be submitted as jpeg files no larger than 5MB (but please also keep your photo at full resolution in case you are a winner). Cannock Wood Parish Council will arrange for printing and mounting of entries where appropriate. If there are more than 100 entries, the Parish Council reserves the right to shortlist up to 100 entries and the Parish Council will pay only for those entries will be printed.
 11. All short-listed photos will be displayed in the Village Hall and as part of an online poll.
 12. Entries will be displayed anonymously for fairness of judging (and shortlisting, if necessary). Entrants will need to provide contact details, including the photographer's name, and either a telephone number or email address. Personal details will only be used for the purpose of administering the competition and will not be published or provided to anyone outside of the competition partnership without the photographer's permission.

13. Members of the public will be invited to vote for their favourite photograph in each category. Voting can be online from 19th March 2026 or in person at the following times:
- Thursday 19th March between 7.15pm and 9.30pm (Parish Council meeting – open to all)
 - Saturday 21st March between 10.30am and 12 noon (Elevenses – open to all)
 - Monday 13th April between 2pm and 4pm (Ladies Group, but open to men too)
 - Thursday 18th April between 6.30pm and 7.00pm (immediately before the Annual Parish Assembly).
14. The winners will be announced on Thursday 18th April 2026 at the Cannock Wood Annual Parish Assembly, which starts at 7pm. The winner of each category will receive a framed print of their photo. Details relating to any prizes will be sent to the winner within 30 days of the winner being announced.
15. All other displayed prints will be returned those the entrants who have provided their addresses and they live within 1 mile of Cannock Wood.
16. Cannock Wood Parish Council reserves the right to use your submitted photos on its website or in printed materials without payment. No image showing people of any age will be used on the Parish Council's website. You will retain full copyright for your image and, wherever possible and unless you request otherwise, you will be credited if your image is published by the Parish Council. Failure to publish a credit due to error or oversight shall not be deemed a breach of this condition.
17. By entering the competition, you are giving consent for Cannock Wood Parish Council to process your information for the purpose of administering the competition. We will delete your information within a month of the close of the competition unless you ask us to sooner, the photo you have submitted wins a prize, or is selected for inclusion in our photo library for future use on the Parish Council website or publications. We will not share this information with any third party without your consent, unless we are required to do so by law. Your rights are set out in the Privacy Statement found at the foot of the home page of www.cannockwoodparishcouncil.gov.uk.
18. Neither the Parish Council nor the Village Hall management committee shall be responsible for any loss or damage in respect of any entry.
19. Entrants in **under 12** and **under 18** categories must be the qualifying age on 31st March 2026. Entrants under the age of 18 must get a parent/guardian to give permission to enter the competition and the parent/guardian must upload the photo to the uploading portal, giving consent that the image be entered into the competition. By signing the form, the parent/guardian gives permission for the entrant to take part and for the name of prize-winners to be made public.
20. By entering the Competition, you are deemed to accept these Terms and Conditions. If you are under 18 years of age you may submit entries to our young people categories, but you must have a parent or legal guardian's permission to enter.
21. Cannock Wood Parish Council reserves the right to cancel this competition or alter any of the rules at any stage, if deemed necessary.

This competition has been organised by Cannock Wood Parish Council.

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