# Crewe Gang Show 2026 Terms & Conditions



#### 2026 Show Dates

There will be 5 shows: Wednesday May 6th to Saturday May 9th evenings, inclusive and a Matinee on Saturday May 9th. There will also be a Technical rehearsal on the evening of Monday May 4th & a Dress rehearsal on the evening of Tuesday May 5th. Times for arrival will be advised nearer the time.

## **Data Protection**

With new Scouting processes in place for safeguarding data, any information given will be securely held by South West Cheshire Scouts. Crewe Gang Show have moved to utilising our Online Scout Manager (OSM) for cast members details.

## **Theatre Capacity**

Due to new theatre rules and the capacity of people backstage during the shows, we have had to make the difficult decision that we can't accept any Beavers into the cast for this show.

#### **Junior & Main Cast**

Once registered, the cast member will be a member of either the Junior Cast who are Cubs, or the Main Cast who are Scouts, Explorers, Network & Adult Leaders.

## Junior Cast must be at least 7.5 years old by Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026

If a Beaver will be moving into the Cub Section in the next few months, please contact Ally using the cgs@email for more information regarding their age and the group they will be moving up to.

#### **Commitment to Rehearsals**

We require your commitment to attend every rehearsal available to you. Failure to attend rehearsals without prior agreement, may jeopardise your place in an item or the entire show. Please note that EASTER SUNDAY, April 5th, is the ONLY Sunday that a rehearsal will NOT be held! All other rehearsals, you will be expected to be attend.

Songbooks will be issued at our first rehearsal in January 2026. Cast Members will be required to bring their Songbooks with them to ALL rehearsals and a pencil as they may need to make notes. Replacements for lost Songbooks will need to be paid for – please contact Ally if you need a replacement.

If any cast member requires a specific coloured paper or large text, please let Ally know using the cgs@ email so that we can ensure the Songbook is printed for your reading needs.

#### **Code of Conduct**

All events involved with Crewe Gang Show, including but not limited to, workshops, rehearsals, time at the theatre for rehearsals and shows, after show parties, etc, are all run by Volunteers. As adults, we are all entitled to be treated with respect. Any rude or unacceptable behaviour towards our Volunteers may result in you being barred from entering the venues involved.

# **Helper Roles**

Due to the theatre capacity and space at Sunday rehearsals, there will be a finite number of roles available. Helpers will not need to register online using the Cast form. Instead, anyone wishing to be a helper for the 2026 show, should email Ally & Craig using the *cgs@* email to advise how they may be able to help during rehearsals, with costumes, stage and props building and during show week.

All helpers will require to be over 18 years of age, have a Scouting DBS\* and complete mandatory training modules of Safeguarding and Safety; these are completed online.

\*We can ONLY accept a Scouting DBS - this will be obtained for helpers with additional information given and will be valid for 3 years. If a helper already has a Scouting DBS, it must be valid for the full period of the Show Week. Due to the nature and timeframe of applying for a DBS, all information will need to have been passed to our DBS representative no later than Sunday March 29th, 2026.

# **Saturday Shows**

Between the Matinee and Evening performances of the show on the Saturday, both the Junior and Main Cast do not need to be collected. Crewe Gang Show will hold a Cast Tea for all the cast and helpers. We will hire a suitable venue close-by (within walking distance) and Network and Adult Leaders will accompany the rest of the cast to and from that venue.

The Online Scout Manager system that CGS are now using will have any dietary restrictions already noted; if anything changes between registration and the show, please advise us by using the cgs@ email.

#### Costumes

During registration, you will have been asked for the Cast Members height, clothing size and shoe size. This information will be passed onto our dedicated Costume Team which is run by our Costume Manager, Debbie Field. We are aware that these details are likely to change before the show, and sizes will be rechecked once costumes are dealt with for each item of the show.

Specific costumes will be supplied by CGS but in some cases, there will be a need for you to provide your own costumes – each Cast Member will be issued with a list of self-costuming items needed. With ALL costumes, cast members will be expected to put their name in EVERY PIECE OF CLOTHING issued; this also applies to self-costuming! We cannot stress this enough! During show week, if any pieces of costume go missing because they are not named, it may result in a cast member not being able to take part in that particular part of the show.

More information will be passed to Cast Members throughout the rehearsal months, as and when required.

#### **Cast Commitment Fee**

Due to a rise in costs everywhere, including the theatre hire prices, to sustain the stability of our show, we are introducing a Cast Commitment Fee. This will be priced differently for Junior and Main Cast members, with subsequent family members paying a reduced fee.

For the 2026 show, the prices per family are as follows:

Main Cast, this will be £30 for the first family member, £20 for the second, £10 for the third and any subsequent family members, £0.

Junior Cast, this will be £15 for the first Cub, £10 for the second and any subsequent Cubs, £0.

# **Payment of Cast Commitment Fee**

Once the registration form has been submitted, CGS will be contacting the relevant Section Leader for their details on OSM to be shared with CGS. Once we have received that members profile, Ally will be in contact regarding how payment can be made.

## **Payment Options**

Payment may be made by Online Banking or upon receipt of an invoice from CGS.

Payment can also be made in person at rehearsals and instalments may be available, with prior agreement.

#### **Financial Assistance**

Within Scouting, an individual is not excluded from taking part in any activities due to financial hardship. Separate help may be available if you contact us or the option was ticked on the registration form. Any information given will be held in the strictest confidence.

# Workshops

Before rehearsals begin, we will be running a couple of workshops in November 2025. Please keep these dates available as cast members should attend both.

Dates: Sundays, November 16th & 23rd

Times:

Junior Cast (Cubs only) - 10:00-12:15

- Main Cast (Scouts & above) - 12:45-16:30

Venue: Warmingham Village Hall

#### Rehearsals

Attendance at ALL rehearsals will require being signed in and signed out by one of our volunteers. NO cast member under the age of 18, will allowed to leave the building (or theatre during show week) without a parent or guardian present or prior agreement.

Rehearsals will begin in January 2026, twice a week, during the day on Sundays (\*with the exception of the last 4 rehearsals, see below\*) at Warmingham Village Hall and on Wednesday evenings at Malbank High School.

First rehearsal: Sunday January 11th Last rehearsal: Wednesday April 29th

## Sundays

#### Who:

- Junior Cast (Cubs only) - 10:00-12:15

- Main Cast (Scouts & above) - 12:45-16:30

Venue: Warmingham Village Hall

Dates: From January 11th to March 22nd, inclusive

\*The last 4 Sunday rehearsals will be held at Malbank, as detailed below.

Venue: Malbank High School

Dates: March 29th, April 12th, 19th, 26th.\*

Please note that EASTER SUNDAY, April 5th, is the **ONLY** Sunday that a rehearsal will NOT be held! All other rehearsals, cast members will be expected to attend!

#### Wednesdays

Who: Main Cast only (Scouts & above) - 18:45-21:00

Venue: Malbank High School

Dates: From January 14th to April 29th, inclusive

#### **Rehearsal Venues Addresses**

Warmingham Village Hall School Lane, Warmingham, Sandbach, CW11 3QN What Three Words: //secures.spend.dote

Malbank High School
Welsh Row, Nantwich, Cheshire East, CW5 5HD
What Three Words: //civic.hospitals.extensive

# **Parking and Space at Rehearsal Venues**

At our Warmingham Village Hall rehearsal venue on Sundays, there is limited car parking. Parents will need to drop children off quickly, and where possible, allow them to walk into the venue themselves.

On Sundays, the Junior Cast will need to be <u>collected at 12.15</u> and vehicles be clear of the car park by 12.30 at the latest.

The Main Cast will be required to <u>arrive no earlier</u> than 12.30 for the rehearsal to start at 12.45.

There is also limited space within the hall itself - we will have a number of volunteers to run each rehearsal so we will only be able to let parents or additional helpers remain at the venue with prior agreement.

#### **Collection from the Theatre**

Nearer the time of the show, details will be passed to all Cast members regarding where and when cast need to be dropped off at the theatre and the same for collection.

Collection on the evening of the last Show may be different but must be strictly adhered to for the safety of our Cast Members, Volunteer Helpers AND our Stage Team.

## **Social Media**

Website: www.crewegangshow.org

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/CreweGangShow Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/crewegangshow

We also have a private Crewe Gang Show Facebook group which may have information in it regarding the show and rehearsals as and when necessary - this will be in addition to emails. If you are not a member already, you will need to request to join the group. We have several admin people who can approve a request, however not all of our admin will know the names of everyone new to the group. Please bear with us if there is a delay in approving your request; this is for the safety of our cast members.

#### **Theatre Tickets**

We will be offering an Early Bird Ticket Sale from November 14<sup>th</sup> when the tickets will be available from the Crewe Lyceum theatre, to December 31<sup>st</sup> 2025 with a ticket price of £15 per seat. This is the same price as the 2024 show.

Prices will increase to the standard Ticket price of £17.50 on January 1st 2026.

Cubs will need a booked and paid for seat if they will be watching the show after the interval on the Wednesday, Thursday and Friday shows only. They will not need a seat for any of the Saturday shows (see Sat Shows for more detail).

# Online Web Shop & Cast Clothing

We will have a new online shop within our CGS website for purchasing Cast clothing and other merchandise such as but not limited to replacement neckers and songbooks.

Cast Clothing may need to be placed as a separate order from any other merchandise available due to the payment options. Once the webshop is complete, cast members will be advised of this.

## **CGS Management Contacts**

Please keep an eye out for emails from our main email address - cgs@crewegangshow.org. Please add our email address on your contacts list so our emails are not lost in your Junk/Spam folder. We may occasionally make social media posts (mainly Facebook & Instagram), however any major changes will always be sent by email in the first place.

If you need to contact us, regarding a Cast Member's attendance at a rehearsal the same day, please message or leave a voicemail using Ally's mobile number (which will be provided once registration has been confirmed) or the cgs@ email. Please DO NOT use social media for this – it may NOT be picked up.

In ALL cases, if you have any questions, please contact Ally (our Cast Manager) &/or Craig (our Producer) in the first instance, by email using <a href="mailto:cqs@crewegangshow.org">cqs@crewegangshow.org</a>.