GSN PROTEST GUIDANCE

Gloucestershire is strongest when we stand together.
We gather to oppose racism, hostility and division.
Our aim is to be bold, vocal and visible while staying calm, organised and safe.

1 MEET, MARCH, LEAVE

Check where and when we are meeting. We always walk together.

We strive for accessible routes - please check the route in advance. Also check where to park if driving. Please be respectful of local residents.

Please avoid travelling alone if possible.

We arrive together and we leave together. Please do not linger after the event.

2 BRING WHAT YOU NEED

Please bring water, food, weather protection, comfortable shoes, and a fully charged phone if you bring one.

A small amount of cash may be useful. Please avoid bringing valuables, bank cards or jewellery if possible. Please do not bring alcohol, drugs, or anything that could reasonably be seen as a weapon.



For access needs: **solidarity-glos@proton.me**

Stewards can help with directions.

3 LISTEN TO STEWARDS

Stewards will be clearly identifiable and introduced at the start.

Please follow steward guidance, stay calm and do not be provoked. Individual actions can affect everyone's safety. Please **do not** engage individually with anti-migrant protesters. If conversations are needed, stewards will handle them.

If you feel unsafe, see someone acting suspiciously, or are unsure what to do, speak to a steward.

There will be a nominated police liaison. Please leave conversations with police to the stewards.

4 DOCUMENTING

Some people may attend to film, provoke, identify people or create online content.

Please do not engage with streamers. If they hassle you, turn away, move back towards the group, and speak to a steward. Some people choose to play Disney soundtracks or other music likely to trigger copyright flags on live streams, so streamers cannot monetise footage.

GSN photographers will be introduced at the start. Please avoid photographing faces without consent. Do not photograph people living in the hotel. Do not post identifying images of others without checking.

5 YOUR RIGHTS

We have not had arrests at previous GSN events and do not expect arrests at this event.

Arrest support information, including solicitor numbers, will be shared on the day and via the WhatsApp group. If you witness an arrest, tell a steward **immediately**.

You may choose to wear a face mask or covering for privacy, safety or health reasons. Police can sometimes require face coverings to be removed if a Section 60AA authorisation is in place.

6 LOOK AFTER EACH OTHER

Please look out for one another, especially anyone who seems anxious, isolated or unwell.

Let a friend or family member know when you arrive and when you are safely away.

Our aim is to be **visible, united** and **safe.**

For further guidance search online:
"*Liberty - Practical Protest Tips*"

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Who is Gloucestershire Solidarity Network?
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