

Final run for Jo Cox mark's 10th anniversary



The final ever Run for Jo Cox will take place this summer and is set to be the biggest ever yet.

The farewell Run for Jo will be held on Sunday 21 June 2026, at Oakwell Hall in Birstall, West Yorkshire – ten years after Jo was murdered in 2016.

Run for Jo has become an annual fixture in the local calendar and brings together runners, families and communities to celebrate Jo Cox's belief that 'we have far more in common than that which divides us'.

The event coincides with The Great Get Together weekend, forming part of a nationwide moment of community, remembrance and solidarity inspired by Jo's life and values.



Pete Davies, GMB Senior Organiser, said:

“It’s an honour for GMB to once again sponsor the Run for Jo, especially on its poignant final chapter.

“Jo was not only a dedicated MP, but a proud GMB member who believed passionately in fairness, solidarity and the power of people coming together.

“This final run is our chance to celebrate everything Jo stood for, to remember her legacy, and to make this tenth anniversary the biggest and most meaningful yet.

Kim Leadbeater, MP for Spen Valley and sister of Jo Cox, said:

“Run for Jo has become a hugely special event for our community and this final run feels especially important.

“It brings together everything Jo believed in; kindness, compassion and connection and sits at the very heart of The Great Get Together.

“With something for everyone, from the cross-country challenge and the fun run to the stalls, entertainment and mascot race, it’s a joyful celebration of community spirit.

“I’m hugely grateful to GMB for their continued support and to the volunteers from More in Common, Batley and Spen who have worked so hard to make this farewell event possible.

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