

Minutes of the Charlton Village Community Association Annual General Meeting held on 15 Oct 26 in St Thomas' Church at 730pm

Present:	Apologies
Clive Ward (CW)	Elsa Redpath (ER)
Jacqueline Smith (JS)	Terry Milne (TM)
Su Macnamara (SM)	Alan Evans (AE)
Carol Tedridge (CT)	Mike Lower (ML)
Sue Watson (SW)	Sonia Lower (SL)
Andrew Watson (AW)	Robin Meadow +1
Leslie Ward (LW)	
Shona Bradley (SB)	
Dave Bradley (DB)	
Howard Belshaw (HB) + 1	
Alison Bird (AB)	
Ruth Trafford (RT)	
John Barrow (JB)	

1. **Welcome and Introduction.** CW thanked everyone for turning up. He confirmed the AGM was quorate.
2. **Constitution.** The Constitution has been reviewed and is considered fit for purpose for the coming 12 months. A Copy is available on the Parish Council website.
3. **Achievements.** CW thanked the CVCA Committee and members for all their hard work this year. He highlighted:
 - Christmas Market and Sunnyside Light Switch-on November 2025. This worked well as part of a Christmas Weekend that included St Thomas' Christmas Fayre but it was concluded that advertising and promotion needed improvement. This year's Charlton Christmas Weekend takes place on 29 and 30 November and will be advertised as a single event involving the Church, CVCA and James Saviour from Sunnyside close.
 - Charlton Village Community Day (CVCD) on 4 July. It was well attended and much enjoyed. We now have good contacts and connections so organising this event is 'routine'. A big thank you to all those who helped on the day. However, we need members from the 'next generation' of residents to become involved in planning and organising village events so that the baton can be passed on.
 - Litter Picking Group (LPG). The Group has done a fantastic job this year and has become a shining light for Charlton. It has walked the village regularly and raised awareness of littering both inside the village and externally. The presentation by TVBC Environmental Services that followed the AGM was arranged by the LPG.
 - Charlton Waterside. The Charlton Waterside Group (CWG) maintains the area of land beside Tesco known as Charlton Waterside and undertook a project to enhance the site making it attractive and accessible for all. Funding for the project was by grants from Cllr Donnelly HCC and by a S106 grant from TVBC – as at now the S106 grant is still in progress. Thanks were expressed for the work of GWG.
 - Community Hub. The project is now a venture with TVBC and Places Leisure. The selected architects are producing concept drawings that will be shared as soon as they are received. It is hoped that a Community Hub Planning Application based on the Charlton Lakes Café – adapt or additional build – will be approved next year.
4. **Accounts.** JS presented the accounts and copies were made available for those present. It shows the Association is solvent and being well-managed. Any questions can be raised directly with JS.

5. **Future Events.** AE will publish a new Forecast of Events soon and will included in the December Charlton Newsletter. All were encouraged to come up with ideas for events in 2027.
6. **Newsletter.** CW reminded people of the importance of Charlton News. The Editor is doing a great job but needs people to send in items of interest.
7. **Election of Committee Members.** The Constitution allows for up to 9 committee members. At least 3 appointments should be agreed at the AGM to allow appropriate governance: Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.
 - Chair. It was proposed that Clive Ward should take the Chair. All agreed.
 - Treasurer. It was proposed that Jacqueline Smith should be Treasurer. All agreed.
 - Secretary. Alan Evans would be the Secretary.

Other members duly appointed:

- Terry Milne
- Elsa Redpath
- Shona Bradley
- Dave Bradley
- Leslie ward

If anyone wishes to join the Committee please contact the Secretary (AE).

8. **AOB.** No AOB was raised at the meeting.
There is a page on the Parish Council Website for CVCA and relevant documents will be lodged there. [CVCA Site](#)

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