

CHESTERTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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Charity Registration No. 1139163

ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS for the year ended 31 March 2015

Reference and administrative information

Trustees

Michael Bond
Valerie Cutting
Kira Davison
Ian Manning
Clive Brown
Kenneth Turner

Committee

The Committee comprises the following trustees elected at the Annual General Meeting on 14 May 2014. It met nine times during the year.

Valerie Cutting (Chairman)
Michael Bond (Treasurer)
Ian Manning (Secretary)
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Objectives and Activities

The charity was established at a public open meeting on 23 June 2009, at St Andrew's Hall Chesterton which adopted a formal constitution with the following primary objects:

- a) promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the area of benefit without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, nationality, age, disability, race or of political, religious or other opinions by associating together the said inhabitants and the statutory authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants;*
- b) support the maintenance and management of St Andrew's Hall, St Andrew's Road, Chesterton, as a Community Centre for Chesterton (whether alone or in co-operation with any statutory authority or other person or body) in furtherance of the above objects;*
- c) promote such other charitable purposes as may from time to time be determined.*

The Association has established a website offering space for listing activities in Chesterton, news of local developments, feedback for readers and publicity for Association and member activities. We have bid for grants to support local activities and act as fundholder for them where appropriate.

We are a member of Community Matters, the national association of community associations, and Cambridge Council for Voluntary Service.

Achievements

“**Chesterton News**” continued publication in May, August, November and February. Our original printer retired and we had to seek quotes which proved significantly higher than the previous cost. Our partners at St George's Church have made available funds previously held for Chesterton Challenge and St Andrew's Church has also offered financial support. We will seek to improve our advertisement income as we have been advised that grant funding for ongoing revenue costs of the publication are unlikely to be forthcoming from external sources.

The production and distribution is done entirely by a voluntary team drawn from our members and the churches in Chesterton. We still need more help with distribution, especially to the parts of West Chesterton that lie outside St Andrew's and St George's parishes, mostly New Chesterton.

Chesterton Village Sign project was adopted by the new owners of Elizabeth House as part of their public art contribution arising from the redevelopment of Elizabeth House. The County Council have indicated that our preferred location for a sign at the junction of Chesterton Road and Chesterton High Street is acceptable to them provided it does not involve the County Council in any cost for its provision installation or continuing maintenance. A competition to select a lead artist has resulted in David Appleyard being appointed (www.davidappleyard.co.uk). He will be joining us at our Annual Public Meeting on 29th May 2015.

The website is our primary route for information to and from members and others. It continues to attract several visits each day but we still need someone to take on the role of webmaster to keep it up to date, especially to ensure items are posted on the diary page on a regular basis.

Libraries The Association has continued to work with the Friends of Milton Road Library (FMRL) but we are disappointed at the slow progress in appointing a developer to manage the redevelopment of the library for which the North Area Committee has allocated up to £100,000 to the community facilities to be created in the new building.

Recreational facilities The redevelopment of the Cambridge City Football Ground by Crest Nicholson is now under way. They have confirmed that they would be taking on the football legacy Section 106 commitments of the approved scheme in full. Crest Nicholson have indicated that they wish to provide the new pavilion on Chesterton Playing Fields off Courtney Way directly. The City Council has the lead on providing the extension to the changing rooms on Chesterton Recreation Ground in Church Street to provide a club-room facility.

Chesterton Festival The Association continues to participate in the planning and management of Chesterton Festival.

Games Evenings at the Haymakers are proving very popular. We would like to organise more social activities but at present we lack an organiser.

Support for New Ventures: the Association has taken over the lead in providing the summer outing from Brown's Field Youth and Community Centre for families who would not otherwise leave Cambridge. The outing to Great Yarmouth supported by a grant from the North Area Committee of Cambridge City Council was fully subscribed. The Old Chesterton **Garden Competition** attracted some very good entries and several awards were made at the Community Fun Day of Chesterton Festival. The event was supported by a specific grant from the North Area Committee.

Future Activities

We will continue to support Chesterton Festival through active membership of its Committee and insuring it through the Association's policy. We will be organising a programme of events for local people to encourage new local group activities. We will be building stronger links with local schools to encourage involvement of younger people in community activities. The future for Chesterton will be the theme of our Annual General Meeting on 29th May 2015.

Finance

The Association ended the year with funds of £2,108, including £465 of restricted funds after transfer of funds from CCA's unrestricted funds to meet non-grant funded expenditure. Unrestricted funds comprise donated and membership funds and Gift Aid refunds plus income arising from sales of DVDs and events. Members and donors are encouraged to make their payments under Gift Aid thus enabling the Association to recover income tax paid by the donor.

Valerie Cutting, Chairman

Statement of Financial Affairs for the year ended 31st March 2015

	CCA Restricted	CCA Other	Total	Last Year
Interest Earned	-	6	6	6
Gift Aid Donations	-	-	-	-
Donations	2	-	2	-
Grants	766	-	766	750
Events	-	-	-	498
Membership Fees	-	50	50	50
Tax Refunds	-	12	12	13
Other Income	-	-	-	165
Advertisements	2,734	-	2,734	2,875
Reimbursed Expenses	525	272	797	696
Total Income	4,027	340	4,367	5,053
Computer & Internet Exp.	-	43	43	92
Dues & Subscriptions	-	-	-	-
Insurance Expenses	202	342	544	544
Festival Expenses	-	-	-	62
Events	650	-	650	825
Equipment	-	-	-	60
Miscellaneous Expense	20	-	20	8
Postage & Delivery	35	-	35	43
Printing & Reproduction	4,004	-	4,004	3,143
Professional Fees -	-	-	-	-
Telephone	109	20	129	129
Conference, Meetings	-	52	52	172
Total Expense	5,020	458	5,478	5,018
Net Ordinary Income	(993)	(118)	(1,111)	35
Return of unspent grant	-	-	-	-
Funds Brought Forward at 1 April 2014	1,470	1,749	3,219	3,184
Transfer between funds	(12)	12	-	-
Funds carried forward at 1 April 2015	465	1,643	2,108	3,219

Valerie Cutting, Chair

11 May 2015