



## THE CHARLTONS MEMORIAL COMMUNITY TRUST CIO

Top Road, Charlton Adam, TA11 7BE

### Annual Report April 2024- March 2025

#### Purpose

The objects of the CIO are to establish and run a community centre and recreation ground and facilities ancillary thereof and to promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Parish of Charlton Adam and Charlton Mackrell and the neighbourhood thereof ("**area of benefit**") without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, nationality, race or political, religious or other opinions the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social and economic circumstances or for the public at large in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving the conditionsof life of the said inhabitants (the "Objects").

#### Our Work

Over the period 2019 until 2003 we built a play space and sensory garden at a cost of £140,000. In so doing we have created a space in the heart of the village where local people of all ages can meet, socialise, play and enjoy our wonderful 7acre memorial playing field.

In 2024/25 we have developed plans to replace the roof, install double glazed windows, solar panels and new fire doors, an accessible entry and area specific heating solutions across the building. We are in the process of fundraising for this and have so far raised £20,000 in specific grants towards these purposes and have applied to the Big Lotter Community Fund.

The Trust operates a Community Centre incorporating

- a. a seven-acre field with inclusive play equipment, sensory garden, a basketball shooting area, a tennis court, football pitches and a variety of benches and picnic tables which is accessible and available 24/7, 52 weeks a year for the whole village and local area.
- b. A hireable community building which comprises a sports hall, toilets, changing rooms and showers, a kitchen and an upstairs meeting room. These are used by sports clubs, local groups and the Trust for fundraising activities and families for weddings, children's parties, funeral wakes etc.
- c. A youth club which meets weekly in termtime offering activities and emotional

- support to the young people who attend.
- d. Regular community cafes.
  - e. Football pitches and changing and refreshment facilities for our resident football club and supporters.
  - f. A keep fit class held twice weekly on the field which is accessible to mothers with small children as the children can play on the play equipment whilst their mothers' exercise. Older villagers also use the class.
  - g. A bi-monthly newsletter which is delivered to every household in the villages of Charlton Mackrell and Adam which operate as one village" The Charltons".
  - h. A website <https://www.charltonscommunity.org> providing information about activities and booking facilities.
  - i. A village email group open to all villagers which circulates useful information about events etc in the villages.
  - j. Regular fund raising, fun events such as Village Day, Party in the Park, live music events, jumble sales, games evenings, village cafes which improve the social cohesion in the villages.
  - k. Much appreciated level dog walking facilities with free parking which enables many older and disabled dog owners to be able to walk their dogs

Approximately 500 people use the hall and field over the year with 31,000 individual visits.

## **Our People**

We have a stable group of Trustees who meet regularly. They comprise:

Rick Harrison	Chair
Ian Cornish until January 24 and Judith Baker since January 24	Treasurer
Alex Sedgeman	Secretary
Andrea de Berker	Grant funding
Dee Powell	Safeguarding
Juliet Long	Trustee
Paul Ross	Trustee
Kate O'Boyle	Youth Club
Adam Ware	Trustee

We also have a strong group of around 50 volunteers who support the work of the Trust

## **Plans for 25/26**

We are hopeful that our application to the Community Fund will be successful thus enabling us to progress the work outlined in a previous paragraph. We will continue to raise funds directly assisted by the licensing of the premises and to apply to other funders as and when the opportunities are available. We are fully committed to ensuring that our legacy will be a sound building with appropriate facilities for the future.

**The Charltons Memorial Community Trust CIO - 1200876**

**Statement of Financial Activities**

**For the period from 01 April 2024 to 31 March 2025**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<i>Income and endowments from:</i>					
Donations and legacies	10,425	10,900	—	21,325	11,105
Other trading activities	37,845	5,138	—	42,984	28,818
Other income	226	—	—	226	201
<b>Total income</b>	<b>48,497</b>	<b>16,038</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>64,535</b>	<b>40,124</b>
<i>Expenditure on:</i>					
Raising funds	13,599	1,887	—	15,487	8,592
Other expenditure	26,340	8,954	—	35,294	35,461
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>39,940</b>	<b>10,842</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>50,782</b>	<b>44,054</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	<b>8,556</b>	<b>5,196</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>13,753</b>	<b>(3,930)</b>
<i>Transfers</i>					
Gross transfers between funds - in	3,749	—	—	3,749	10,000
Gross transfers between funds - out	(3,639)	(110)	—	(3,749)	(10,000)
<i>Other recognised gains / losses</i>					
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>8,666</b>	<b>5,086</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>13,753</b>	<b>(3,930)</b>
<i>Reconciliation of funds</i>					
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>22,085</b>	<b>11,329</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>33,414</b>	<b>37,344</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>30,751</b>	<b>16,415</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>47,167</b>	<b>33,414</b>

*There may be minor discrepancies in the totals if the pence are not being shown*



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Independent examiner's  
report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	THE CHARLTONS MEMORIAL COMMUNITY TRUST LTD		
On accounts for the year ended	31 MARCH 2025	Charity no (if any)	1200876
Set out on pages			

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

**Responsibilities and basis of report** As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: C. W. Angworth Date: 12/9/25

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