

## Goodbye to John, our current Chair

We will be saying goodbye this year to John Long, our outgoing Chair, who is stepping down to concentrate on work and family. John has volunteered as a member of the CRA committee since 2019, and has been Chair for the past 18 months.

In that short time, drawing on the skills of the wonderful team around him, he has re-cast the purpose and focus of the CRA – introducing our ‘Four (C)amden’ mission – Celebrate, Connect, Contribute, Campaign. And, under his leadership, we have introduced some of our most celebrated and popular contributions to our Camden neighbourhood – the transformation of Camden Meadow (with a committed group of over 40 local volunteers), our ‘Welcome to Camden’ initiative, the introduction of a dedicated CRA Events Coordinator to deliver a programme of great social activities for our community, and he has been the driving force behind our two fantastic street parties outside The Claremont.

A new Chair (or perhaps even co-Chairs) will be elected by the committee at its first meeting, post AGM.

## CRA Accounts

The CRA accounts can be viewed on our website:  
<https://camdenresidentsbath.org/the-association/accounts/>

They will be approved at the AGM.  
Proposed by Jonathan Saunders, Seconded by Carrie Stockton.

## Donations

If you would like to support the work and running costs of the CRA, please either do so via bank transfer (details below) or in person at the AGM (we will be taking contactless payments on the door). £5 per adult per home.

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## Camden Residents' Association

Newsletter: Autumn 2023

*Dear fellow Camden resident,*

On behalf of Camden Residents' Association, I am delighted to welcome you to our 2023 newsletter.

What a great year it's been!

As we've continued with our mission around our "Four C's of Camden" (Champion, Connect, Contribute, Campaign) we've contributed to many more milestones in the life of our community.

We've seen the wonderful goats (Bath's most famous four-legged friends) at Camden Meadow; we've played street games and raised toasts on Camden Road at our second, brilliant street party outside The Claremont; we've enjoyed a continuing series of convivial social events including our 'Spooky Camden' Halloween concept; we've engaged our two new Councillors on matters of import affecting our

residents' lives; we've provided regular news and updates to our community via our website and e-shots; and we've kicked off our 'Welcome to Camden' process to give newcomers a proper welcome to the best neighbourhood in Bath when they move in.

Please do come along to our annual community get-together and AGM (details below) to hear more about the work of the CRA - the year's highlights, our vision for the year ahead, and how you might get involved.

It would be lovely to see you

**John Long**  
(Outgoing) Chair, Camden Residents'

# Annual Camden community get-together and Camden Residents' Association AGM

## It's that time of year again where we host our annual community get-together and AGM.

Following on from the success of last year, the format will be the same – part community get-together, part formal AGM. As a constituted residents association there are a few governance requirements to attend to each year – the election of committee members and a presentation of our finances.

It's also an opportunity for Camden residents to hear about our work over the course of the year, to make suggestions, ask questions, and to think about how to get involved and play a part. And, of course, a great chance to gather together as a community – meeting and mingling, conversations and connections. As before, we've hired one of Bath's coolest performance venues, Burdall's Yard (with bar operated by Always Sunday – so the drinks are great!) and, for a second year, local musician, Lloyd Edwards, will be providing some great live music.

**Tuesday 21 November 2023**  
**Burdall's Yard, Walcot Terrace / London Road, BA1 5NH**

- 6.45pm – arrival, bar open
- 7.00pm (prompt) to 8:30pm – CRA AGM
- 8.30pm to 10.00pm – live music by Lloyd Edwards, bar, drinks, conversation

If you're a resident of Camden (please note that we will ask for names and addresses on the door), then do come along and join us. It promises to be a great evening.

*(Note that there is no parking at the venue, but street parking and Morrisons are nearby.)*

## Join our leadership team

Your residents' association is a volunteer organisation, and only ever as good as the support we receive. This year, 6 of the kind folk on our leadership committee have volunteered to serve another year. With one retiree during the year and John stepping down (see below), however, we're in need of a couple of fresh new faces to help represent our Camden community. It's not onerous – just a few hours a month – and it's a really great way to meet local people and feel like you're making a contribution. Email us for an informal chat if you'd like to explore the idea: [admin@camdenresidentsbath.org](mailto:admin@camdenresidentsbath.org)

# Highlights of 2022 / 23

Here's a flavour of a few of the year's highlights. Come along on the 21st to find out more.



**December 22**

Bath Guitar School x Camden Meadow pop-up Xmas busk at Camden Crescent – music and mulled wine to raise money for Camden Meadow



**Spring and Autumn 2023**

Ever popular goats at Camden Meadow - a joyous and sustainable way to help maintain the land at Camden Meadow



**May 23**

The great Camden community street party – fun and games on Camden Road outside The Claremont.



**October 23**

Spooky Camden – one of many great Camden community events, with many more to come