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The Charlton Society

Newsletter November 2022

Committee News

After last month's AGM, I am delighted to say we now have a full roster of Officer roles, as follows: Chair, Ruth Dodson; Vice Chair, Roden Richardson; Secretary, Angela Burr; Treasurer, David Gardner; Membership Secretary, Pauline Langley. I am also delighted to welcome a new co-opted member to the Committee, Margaret Gbadamosi. A very warm welcome.

Website

The Charlton Society is proposing utilising a new automated email service through the website, Mailchimp. Email addresses supplied as membership details to the Society will be used. We will be testing this over the next few weeks. If anyone has any concerns about the use of their email address through this method, please notify Chair: charltonsocietychair@gmail.com

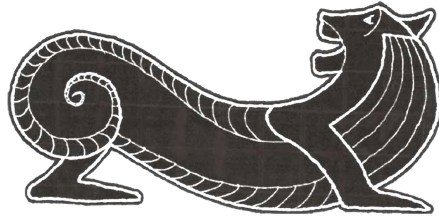
Planning Update

RGHT: The Charlton Society supports the proposed plans to utilise part of Charlton House as an archive and museum space. Applications for a grant have been submitted. The Charlton Society is liaising with RGHT to ensure, whilst it supports the plans, Charlton House also remains an active community space.

Anchorage Point: RBG has approved plans to sell land on Anchor and Hope Lane for a primary school (Harris Academy). Assurances have been made the borough archives which are currently housed there will not be affected, The Charlton Society is keeping an eye on this.

White Swan: An ongoing saga. As known, The Charlton Society is very much involved in a steering group to keep a track of any developments. It has recently been brought to our attention the site has been occupied by squatters. Also a planning application was put in to RBG to convert the first floor in to residential dwellings. RBG received the number of requisite objections and many more, is being progressed, but speaking to RBG Planning, it is unlikely to be discussed for a few months. Watch this space.

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The RBG Planning Officer is also due to visit the property to discuss the merits of the application. Additionally, The Charlton Society currently holds the ACV which is valid for just under three years and has also submitted an application to get the building listed. As always, we live in hope drinks will served at the White Swan again!

No 33 The Village (Bowes): A planning application has been submitted to RBG to convert, or more worryingly, demolish the site for a new retail unit on the ground floor, plus 4 residential units. The Charlton Society strongly objects to this. We are in touch with RBG Planning regarding the progression of the application.

The Charlton Society Calendar 2023

Has landed! A wonderful selection of images, thank you to all who contributed. Available for purchase now for £8. Will make a lovely Christmas present!

Dates/places for the diary

- Thursday 24th November @ 3.30pm, Charlton House. Christmas lights switch-on and festive market including crafts, food and carol singing.
- Every Friday @ 1.00pm: live concerts @ Charlton House, free entry.
 - Friday 25th November, piano duet, from Rimsky-Korsakov to Saint-Saens
 - Friday 2nd December, string quartet, from Webern to Schubert
- Sunday 18th December @ 2.30pm: Christmas Carol Festival, St George's Garrison, SE18 6BW. Free entry. Join in festive carolling followed by mince pies and mulled wine.

Future meetings

- Saturday 17th December @ 2.30pm @ Charlton House: Charlton Music by Tim Anderson. To be followed by festive mince pies and a raffle. The programme of Talks for 2023 is currently being prepared and will be presented at this meeting.