



**South Croydon Community Association (SCCA)
Annual General Meeting (AGM)**

4th March 2024

7:30pm



Agenda

Time	Item	Lead
7:30 - 7:45	Networking / last minute membership signups	n/a
7:45 - 7:55	Introduction and welcome	José
7:55 - 8:00	Presentation of accounts by outgoing committee	John
8:00 - 8:10	Items for approval by members <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Election of new committee• Amended SCCA Constitution	Connie
8:10 - 8:20	Updates on notice board & funding opportunities	Josi / Connie
8:20 - 8:25	Discussion of ideas for upcoming events	José
8:25 - 8:30	Any other business	José
8:30	Close	



Introduction & Welcome

José Sanchez Loureda



Introducing... the new SCCA!

- In December, a vote was held that confirmed the desire to continue with the SCCA, in a new and revitalised guise
- John and the outgoing committee handed over to an interim team: Josi, Bex, Connie and myself
- We have been working to relaunch the SCCA: attracting new members, launching a new website, a new constitution, new activities, ...
- We warmly welcome everyone here today, with your support and enthusiasm we hope this will be the start of an exciting journey



Presentation of accounts

John Clingan



Items for approval by Members

Connie Duxbury



1. Election of new committee

- In December, an interim committee agreed to continue the SCCA and arrange the next AGM.
- Since launching a new website, we have been taking on new members & asking for nominations for a new committee.
- Only Full Members and Business Members may now vote in the new committee.
- If any Full Members here tonight who haven't nominated themselves wants to do so for any position, please shout out!



Chairperson

1 nomination: José Sanchez Loureda

“To celebrate and strengthen the community in which my family and I live, and encourage members to actively participate in the SCCA. We've been residents in South Croydon for ten years and would like to contribute to making it an even better place to live and work for future generations. I have experience on the Board of Trustees for a regional charity (Princess Alice Hospice) and a background as a technology executive, which could benefit the SCCA committee.”



Treasurer

1 nomination: Josi Kiss

"I have lived in central South Croydon for 23 years and have volunteered with the SCCA since it started in 2011, running the SCCA FB page & helping organise numerous litter pick events. I have also represented the SCCA on both the Fairfield and South Croydon police ward committees. I would like to volunteer to be treasurer as I am aware this is a hard position to fill. As a background for this application I have financial experience having run a £95 Million pound budget at Selfridges leaving in 2007 in order to concentrate on my property portfolio, the majority of which is in central & South Croydon. In addition I am also a director of 2 RTM companies. Finally I am a volunteer co-chair of the Friends of Park Hill Park and have experience in grant applications."



Secretary

1 nomination: Connie Duxbury

“I feel very passionately about celebrating our local area! Croydon has seen a decline over recent years, but I really believe it is starting to get back on the up. I'm a local business owner and resident, and created the new website and look after the membership during my time on the interim committee. I'm great with social media and administration, so I think I'd be a great secretary!”



General Committee Member

3 nominations: Sandra Parsons

“I live and work in Croydon and so have a vested interest in building a community spirit and enabling South Croydon (where I live) to be safe and vibrant. I have ideas for how we may achieve my aims and welcome the opportunity for these to be considered, built upon and refined.”



General Committee Member

3 nominations: Matthew Dormer

“I have lived in Croydon nearly all my life and care passionately about making Croydon a better place. As a project manager by profession I believe I will bring useful skills to the committee.”



General Committee Member

3 nominations: Rebecca de Paula Hanika

“I have lived and worked in Central South Croydon for over 25 years, running my own business here, and I was a founding member of the original South Croydon Community Association, organising and running many varied events. I have always loved the diverse community here and I really care about making this a positive, vibrant and safe place to live.”



2. Amended SCCA Constitution

- The amended constitution was sent out in advance, also printed copies here tonight
- Main changes are:
 - Aims of the SCCA
 - Boundary change
 - Introducing 3 types of membership (Full, Associate and Business)



2. Amended SCCA Constitution



- Aims:
 - Celebrate South Croydon and its diverse communities
 - Organise and facilitate events throughout the year such as litter picks, book clubs, dinner clubs, volunteering, etc.
 - Support local businesses and schools to grow and prosper
 - Represent the views and the interests of SCCA members and those who live and work in South Croydon, to Croydon Council and other relevant parties



2. Amended SCCA Constitution

- Membership Types:
 - Full Membership - open to all who live and/or work within the boundaries of the map in Clause 3.
 - Associate Membership – open to anyone outside of the boundaries of the map above but still interested in the SCCA.
 - Business Membership – open to any business registered as trading within the boundaries of the map above.



Updates on notice board & funding opportunities

Josi Kiss & Connie Duxbury

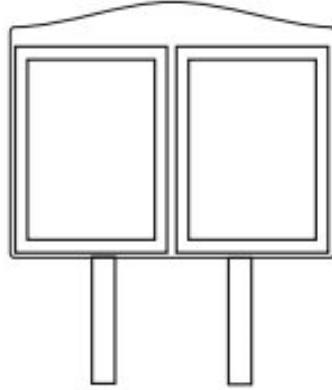
Why should central South Croydon have a community notice board?

A community notice board serves as a vital hub for communication and connection within a neighbourhood. Responses to the idea on the SCCA social media show huge support for a community notice board in South Croydon's Village Area as seen in other areas within Croydon.

Here are some reasons why having a community notice board is essential:

- 1. Inclusivity and Visibility:** It's an inclusive platform where people can share information, requests for help, and offers of support. Unlike digital platforms, the notice board is accessible to all, regardless of their online presence or technological literacy.
- 2. Real-World Counterpoint to Online Platforms:** While online platforms like Facebook and Instagram have their place, the traditional community notice board provides a tangible, real-world space for communication. It fosters a sense of community by allowing people to physically interact with posted notices and engage with their neighbours.
- 3. Investment in Community & local businesses:** When councils or resident groups invest in a community notice board, it sends a powerful message: "We care about our community." An outdoor notice board demonstrates a concern for everyone's wellbeing and also offers physical platform for local businesses to keep the community informed.

What will the community notice board look like ?



Where is the proposed location of the community notice board ?

A community notice board needs to be visible to as many people as possible so it needs to be in the highest foot fall location possible within the central South Croydon area.

The community notice board needs to be seen by those passing through, its flag post saying **'WELCOME'**



What are the costs of the community notice board?

Supplier cost for notice board on left & printed map on right	
Description	Total inc vat
Board	£978
Powder coating	£120
Anti Graffiti	£90
Delivery	£78
Total costs from supplier	£1,266
Addiotional costs from Croydon Council	
Description	Total inc vat
Council planning permission cost	£642
Council installation cost	£300
Total costs from council	£942
Map design	£500
Total projected costs	£2,708
Councilor ward budget grant	£1,500
Shortfall	£1,208

How do we cover the shortfall?

National Lottery Awards For All - Ideas Wanted!

We can apply for funding from £300 to £20,000 to deliver a new or existing activity or to support our organisation to change and adapt to new and future challenges.

We can get funding for projects that'll do at least one of these things:

1. bring people together to build strong relationships in and across communities
2. improve the places and spaces that matter to communities
3. help more people to reach their potential, by supporting them at the earliest possible stage
4. support people, communities and organisations facing more demands and challenges because of the cost-of-living crisis.



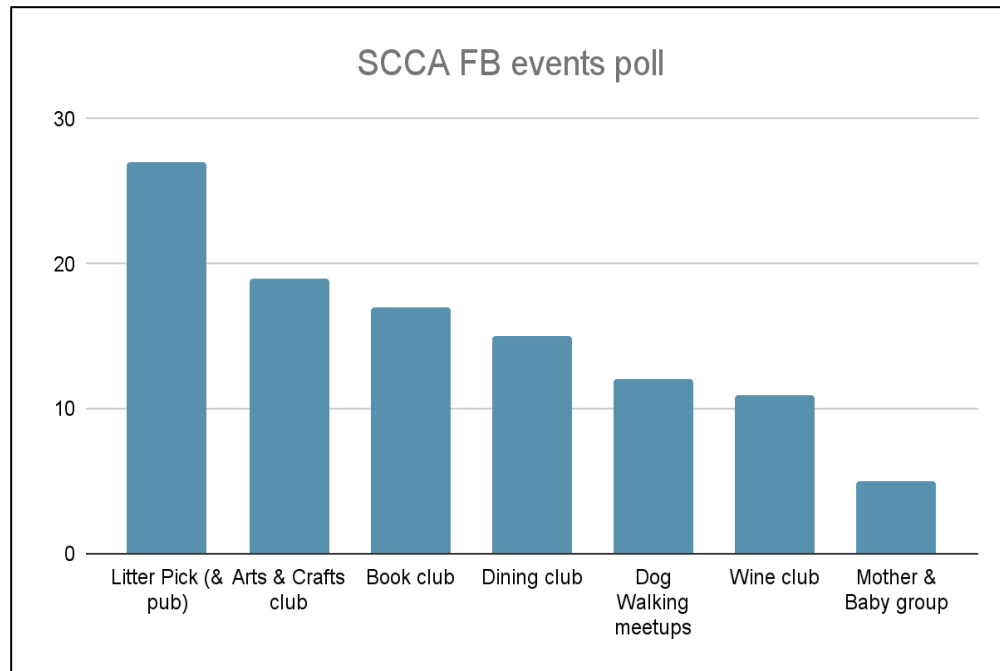
Ideas for upcoming events?

José Sanchez Loureda



Activities and events

- We carried out a FB poll with the following results
- Other suggestions
 - Volunteering
 - Ideas to support local schools & businesses
 - Items to discuss with the council





Any Other Business

José Sanchez Loureda



Closing remarks

- A big thank you to everyone present tonight, especially those that have volunteered and been elected to the committee
- We will be in touch with updates and will encourage further conversation on future activities
- With all your support and energy we look forward to working together for the benefit of the South Croydon community, and have fun doing so!



Close

You're welcome to join us at the pub!