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Chavey Down Association AGM

The Chavey Down Association AGM will be held on
Friday, 15th May 2026 at 7.30 pm
St Martin's Church Hall.

Please put the date in your diary and join us for an informative evening and enjoy some cheese and wine. Maybe even win a prize in our free draw!



This is your opportunity to shape what we all do over the coming year. All members of the Association and residents of the village are welcome to attend.

The resident questionnaire highlighted what mattered to our community. You fed back to us through the questionnaire and at last year's AGM, sharing your suggestions of what you'd like to see this year. Whilst planning and traffic were still top priorities, it also included work on the memory garden, litter picks and social events. We hope you enjoyed the Village Fete and the Carol Service!

Annual subscriptions are due at, or before the AGM. Your support helps us run the CDA for you. You can either pay by BACS (details on your subscription slip) or by cheque or cash to Adrian Hoare, 26 Church Road.

The subscriptions are priced as follows:

- Senior Citizens £2.00 (age 60 before 1 April 2026)
- Individual members £3.00
- Family membership £5.00.

Proposals for alterations to the CDA rules

Members may submit proposals for alterations to the rules of the Chavey Down Association. All proposals will be tabled for discussion at the AGM. Please email to chaveydownassoc@yahoo.com by **31 March 2026**. No proposals can be submitted after this date or at the AGM. The current rules are on the CDA website: www.chaveydown.co.uk.

Nominations to stand for the CDA committee

Our rules require us to seek nominations for the 4 officer positions (Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer) and up to 7 other members. If you wish to be nominated, please email chaveydownassoc@yahoo.com by **31 March 2026**. We are keen to welcome new volunteers so if anyone is interested in joining us, please do contact us.

Chavey Down Memory Garden – upgrade

As we mentioned in the last newsletter, the Chavey Down Memory Garden is behind the church, on the path between Church and North Roads. The Memory Garden is a cherished space where residents can remember loved ones, reflect, and connect with nature. There are now many plants - some donated to improve the garden and over a dozen specifically in memory of friends and family from the village.

The committee is in the process of outlining a plan to refurbish the garden sensitively, maintaining its purpose whilst making it more inviting, accessible and sustainable for future generations.

We will be sharing the plans, timelines and various stages of the refurbishments at the AGM and invite you to come along to see what is planned and to share your thoughts and suggestions.

We also hope to share updates in our newsletter, website, Facebook and Instagram so please do follow for updates and callouts for help and involvement!



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Litter picks in Chavey Down

Marcus Ruddle, one of your committee members, arranged litter picks through 2025 and has some more planned for 2026.

The next dates are:

Sunday 1 March 2026

Saturday 25 April 2026

All are welcome to get involved. Please join us at 10am outside St Martin's Church.

Don't worry if you can't make one of these dates but still want to do your bit. Winkfield Parish have kindly loaned us some equipment to store in the church hall. Please contact the Committee and we will gladly loan the equipment!

Chavey Down Quiz

One request at the AGM was to organise a Quiz Night. We wanted to have something to look forward to in the New Year. Unfortunately, we have had to reschedule the quiz.

The quiz will now be held on the evening of **Friday 12 June 2026 in St Martin's Church Hall**. We hope that you can make the new date. Tables can be booked in advance at the AGM.

Get your thinking caps on, form a team of up to 6 people and come and join us with your friends and family. There are prizes to be won! We hope to see you there!

More details about the quiz will follow so please keep an eye out on Facebook, email, website, flyer or noticeboard.

Traffic

Many of you flagged your concern about speeding on our roads. We have been raising this on your behalf for many years and have been successful in securing a number of improvements.

We mentioned at the AGM that Bracknell Forest was considering a proposed speed limit reduction to 30mph on Priory Road – from Locks Ride to Heathlands (just past Church Road). We are pleased to announce that the Borough have just changed the speed limit on Priory Road. Hopefully we will start to see an improvement as people get used to the new speed limit!

Any concerns or observations please do feed back to the committee.

Chavey Down Residents on Social Media

We have 148 Facebook followers and always welcome more to share our news with. On the 1st of each month, we welcome your posts to promote businesses and on the 15th of each month we welcome buying and selling posts.

***Be part of a welcoming and supportive
community!***

Join us on Facebook today: Scan the QR code or search on for Chavey Down Residents Facebook.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1253840582651807>



And if Instagram is your thing, we have also launched the @chavey_down_village account – currently we have 25 followers and would love some more, so feel free to give us a follow, like or repost on there too when we upload news and updates.