LONGBURTON GARDEN CLUB

THURSDAY 2 OCTOBER 2026

🌿 Longburton Garden Club – 42nd AGM Highlights 🌿

The 42nd Annual General Meeting was well attended, and members enjoyed a glass of wine and a selection of nibbles before the meeting commenced.

Gwenda reflected on another successful year for the Club. She highlighted the excellent programme of speakers who had entertained and informed members throughout the year, as well as the success of the annual outing to Bowood House & Gardens. She explained that we have another exciting programme of events and speakers planned for the year ahead: - Mertons Dream Garden – The Story of Russell-Cotes Garden, Maderia – Island of Flowers, Athelhampton's Gardens, their history and future, to name a few.

Gwenda also reported that the annual Plant Sale had been a tremendous success. She thanked everyone who had contributed plants, as well as those who attended and made purchases. The event not only provided an enjoyable occasion for members but also raised valuable funds to support the Club's activities.

💼 Committee Elections

The existing Committee Members expressed their willingness to continue in their roles for a further year, and were re-elected

Chairperson: Gwenda Brocklehurst
Treasurer: Judy Duguid
Secretary: Kay Johnson
Committee Members: Sue Quick, Eileen Fox, Sanna McNeall, Stephanie Rogers, Jean Hill

🌺 War Memorial Flowers

Sanna thanked everyone who had helped with the planting and maintenance of the Memorial flowers throughout the year. She encouraged members to put their names forward to assist next year, helping to ensure that all four seasons are covered.

🚌 Summer Outing 2027

Members were invited to suggest venues for next year's annual outing.







🏆Gardening Quiz

The meeting was then formally closed. Members had the opportunity to socialise over refreshments before dividing into teams of four for the final activity of the evening. With Gwenda acting as Quizmaster, everyone enjoyed a gardening-themed quiz, providing an entertaining and enjoyable conclusion to the event.

📅Next Meeting

Our November meeting will take place on Thursday 5th November at 7.30pm in the Cam Vale Community Hall. The topic will be “Seasonal Colour and Interest in the Garden” with a speaker from Castle Gardens.

🌱 New Members Welcome!

Interested in joining or attending as a guest? We’d love to welcome you. Annual membership remains £15, with guest visits at £3 including refreshments. Meetings held at Cam Vale Community Hall (CVCH), Wildewood Rise, Longburton, DT9 5FZ – 1st Thursday of the month (except July and August) - For further information please contact Gwenda Brocklehurst – 01963 210700 – or any committee member.

Benefits of being a Longburton Gardening Club member!

Members enjoy the monthly array of speakers, who share their expertise and occasionally bring discounted plants for sale. Club members also benefit from being part of the Castle Gardens Gold Club, which offers**:**

- A discount shopping evening at Castle Gardens in May – 25% off full priced items
- Discount vouchers for 25% off full priced items in January & February
- Discount vouchers for 25% off spring flowering bulbs
- Discount Compost Pre-ordering – order compost, mulches, fertiliser etc at a discounted price from mid-November for delivery in January
- Summer Plug Plant and Spring Daffodil Bulb Competitions