

Arlington Democracy

- The town of Arlington, Massachusetts is a suburban town on the outskirts of Boston.
- Arlington is home to around 42,000 people
- Arlington is predominantly white
- Most of the people in Arlington are middle –class families.
- The Arlington town government is a Representative Town Meeting Form of Government
- The main executives in the town are the town’s Board of Selectmen.
- The Board of Selectmen are elected every three years by town-wide vote.
- This Board makes man of the important decisions for the town such as: Adopting town policies, review and approve the budget, and selecting a Town Manager.
- The Town Manager is a person who is hired to take care of much of the administrative duties in town. The Town Manager can get rid of employees and departments and heads a large number of committees in town.
- We have town meeting like the towns in Real Democracy but they are representative which means that each district is represented by a few elected people. They go to the meetings and speak on behalf of the people. Like the demes did with the Boule.