

Chelveston-cum-Caldecott News

Parish Council & Village News – October & November 2016

Village Celebration event survey: Further to the request for volunteers in the last issue, a number of you have offered your services and at the Council meeting in September the “Events Committee” was officially created. Cllr Liz Kelly now explains how you can help the committee tap into a new grant fund to pay for a village event.

Chelveston-cum-Caldecott is made up of 3 separate settlement areas – Chelveston, Caldecott and Chelston Rise, which are separated by arable or grazing land. This does not aid in uniting the communities.

The Big Lottery Fund has launched the “Celebrate England” programme. They are offering grants between £300 - £10,000 for groups to hold one off events or activities which celebrate local community’s and provide a chance to bring people together to get to know their neighbours better.

The Parish Council have decided to apply for a share of this grant and to add weight to our application we need to prove that a community event is something the parishioners want and would attend.

Please support your village by taking 5 minutes to complete our survey. It is 100% anonymous and if successful could secure a “Celebratory 2017”.

Just click on the [link](#) on the home page of the Council website (www.chelveston-pc.gov.uk).

A fond farewell. *We moved into our new home in Water Lane in 1977, and were soon accepted by residents new and old. Happy days where our sons grew up and had the freedom to play outdoors, knowing that if they misbehaved badly everyone knew where they lived! We watched Duchy Close being built (just a field when we arrived), followed by Britten Close and later, Disbrowe Court.*

Dear Rosemary and Lyn Morris, our first babysitters, buying fruit, vegetables and those wonderful “Chrysanthus” from their parents Noel and Janet. Audrey Smith who did so much for the Church and Maynard Baxter, such a gentleman full of village stories. The Barn Dances, coffee mornings and so many events held in the old village hall, where an extra vest was always needed in the kitchen.

The Church has gone from strength to strength, so many people working to keep it in good order and such a valuable part of our heritage.

Our advice, join in and support as many village events as you are able and you will enjoy village life to the full.

Chelveston we have loved our time with you.

Sharron and Gyles Smart.

Fed up of speeding traffic and want to do something about it? Cllr Ray Daniells wants to sign the parish up to the county’s Community Speed Watch Scheme.



This is where trained volunteers use a speed gun provided by the Police to record vehicles’ speeds. [Note - no prosecutions arise directly from this, but the registered owner is served a warning letter. If they persist with speeding and get three letters, then they get a personal visit by the Police].

The Police require at least 10 volunteers to be trained on how to use the speed gun. This isn’t about hiding behind parked cars and “ambushing” motorists. The users will deploy advance signage to warn the motorists, and wear (supplied) Hi-Vis. They will work in twos or threes, in case a passing motorist takes offence at being recorded.

Still interested? Those who want to volunteer to be trained to use the speed gun should either send me an e-mail with their contact details or notify one of the Cllrs with the same information (addresses over).

Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP): The NDP Working Party is chaired by Cllr Andrew Seaman. There are 7 members (4 Councillors and 3 residents), plus their Clerk, Jane Seaman, who can be e-mailed on clerk@ndp.chelveston.org.uk.

ENC reports that 11 representations were received during the formal consultation earlier this year. Whilst some statutory consultees submitted comments outlining specific, detailed issues, the Environment Agency and NCC Highways have objected to some of the proposed site allocations on the basis of flood risk and highways infrastructure requirements respectively.

Six other representations have been submitted by (and on behalf of) local landowners objecting to individual site specific designations (Local Green Space), or individual policy requirements.

It is expected that Mr Chris Collison MRTPI, the Independent Examiner, will finalise and submit his report in early autumn.

You can also see www.ndp.chelveston.org.uk for more details.

Next Issue: The December & January issue of the Newsletter should be delivered in the first week of December, so if you want to publicise a parish event, please let me know before the end of November.

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Events – October & November 2016

The Chelveston Parish Church of St. John the Baptist (contact Arthur Wright - 624530).

There is a communion service every Sunday morning at **9.00am**.
You are most welcome to stay afterwards for coffee, tea and biscuits at the Servery.

The church was full for the Evensong which preceded the Harvest Supper on Sunday 25th September. Many people remarked on how the church had never looked more beautifully decorated with autumn displays of flowers and produce, for which many thanks are due to the lady flower arrangers. We were fortunate to have members of St Mary's Higham Ferrers choir come to bolster our singing and they sang the well-known John Rutter anthem "*For the beauty of the Earth*" which was very suitable and we thank them very much for their participation under their musical director Tony Edwards.

Over 80 of us then sat down to a super Harvest Supper after the service and sincere thanks are due to the ladies who prepared and served a meal of turkey, ham and various salads, followed by apple pie and cream. We then had the auction of harvest produce conducted by Andrew Wager in his inimitable fashion which resulted in a great variety of fruit, vegetables, flowers and homemade produce all going under his hammer and church funds will benefit considerably from a really enjoyable evening.

The monthly church teas have been a great success and we intend to continue as a monthly lunch in church consisting of soup and a roll from **12.00 - 2.30pm**. This has been made possible by the generous grant from the Chelveston Windfarm Community Benefit Fund to enable extra heaters to be purchased for the winter lunches, the first being **Tuesday 15th November**. Do come and join us.

Arthur Wright & Richard Kirk, Churchwardens.



Chelveston-cum-Caldecott Women's Institute (contact Wendy Williams - 624585).

The W.I usually meets on the second Wednesday of the month at **7.30pm** in Chelveston Village Hall. **Visitors are always welcome** to the meetings @ £4.00 per head suggested donation including refreshments.

Weds 12th October - AGM, followed by "*What's Flying tonight*" - moths in an English village garden by **Andy Hardy**.

Weds 9th November - "*What did you do in the war Granny?*" women in the army in the first world war by **Dan Allen**.



The Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 30th September raised £524 – Thank you for everyone who supported us.



Free Spirits Ladies Group (contact Raine Earnshaw – 625739).

Meets on the third Monday of the month from **2.00 – 4.00pm** in the Chelveston Village Hall. A variety of subjects to include crafts, flower arranging, talks etc. Visitors are welcome @ £2.50 per head inc. tea & biscuits.

The next meeting is on **Monday 17th October**, which will be a lunch out.



Chelveston Chorus (contact Joe Carpenter janjoe68@googlemail.com).

Participants of either sex are invited to come to sing with the encouragement of **Natasha Thompson**. Fortnightly on Thursdays at **7:30 – 9.00pm** in the Village Hall. Sessions are £3.50.

The next meetings are on **Thursdays 13th and 27th October**.



For other events in the Village Hall, see the website www.villagehall.chelveston.org.uk

If you have a smart phone / tablet, you can scan the QR code to go to the village hall web site.

The hall is available for hire by groups for meetings or private functions. Wi-Fi enabled. For further information contact Adrian Dale on 07850 570007.



The Parish Council usually meets on the second Monday of the month at **7.30pm** in the Chelveston Village Hall. Members of the public are welcome to attend and may speak on any agenda item at the Chair's discretion.

Members of the public may also inspect Council papers by prior arrangement with the Clerk. The agenda is posted on the website (www.chelveston-pc.gov.uk) and on the parish noticeboards at least 3 clear days before the meetings.

Parish Council Members & Officers

Chair: Liz Kelly, 8 Duchy Close.

Vice: Ray Daniels, *Fieldview*, Raunds Rd.

Glenn Harwood MBE, 7 Britten Close.

Jennifer Harwood, 7 Britten Close.

James Pentelow, 22 Duchy Close.

Andrew Seaman, *Rosemoor*, Raunds Rd.

Melvyn Wooding, *Melrose Cottage*, Caldecott.

Clerk: Mark Hunter *Ashbury*, Caldecott (626039).

E-mails to the Council on clerk@chelveston-pc.gov.uk