

Chelveston-cum-Caldecott News

Parish Council & Village News – June & July 2018

Upper Higham Lane proposed “plastic to fuel” Facility application. In light of information presented at the ENC planning meeting and the formation of the “Residents Against Inappropriate Development” (RAID) campaign group, the Parish Council has registered an objection to the NCC planning team (as a waste application, it is decided by NCC, not ENC).

Because of the nature of the plant, it is regulated by the Environment Agency (EA) who, on advice from NCC, is treating this as a “high public interest site”.

The EA have invited representatives from the Parish Council, along with Rushden and Higham Ferrers Town Councils, to a preliminary meeting, prior to wider consultation. One might suspect they don't want to repeat the mistakes of the “Chicken Sheds” consultation in the wrong county!

Local government changes: It would be difficult to miss the goings on at County Hall in the local media. The government appointed Commissioners have arrived to sort out NCC's financial management, and the County, District and Borough Councils have been “invited” to submit proposals for two Unitary Councils to replace all the Principal Councils in the county.

Locally, the most likely outcome is that a new unitary North Northamptonshire Council (NNC) will replace NCC, ENC, KBC, WBC and CBC. The Town and Parish Councils are not directly affected by this change, and indeed, WBC has already started the process to create Wellingborough Town Council (WTC) to ensure future local representation and control of Wellingborough's assets.

Accordingly, the next Parish Council elections will still be held on **Thursday 2nd May 2019**, so if you are thinking of becoming a Parish Councillor, you might want to attend a meeting or two (second Monday of the month) to get an idea of what is involved.

New exercise class in Chelveston Village Hall – Fortnightly on a Thursday from 18:45-19:30, starting on **Thursday 14th June**.

BRINGING A NIGHT OUT TO YOUR WORKOUT!
Clubbercise® classes are taught in a darkened room with disco lights and our trademark LED glow sticks set to a soundtrack of old and new club hits. A fusion of dance, toning and combat moves with high/low impact options for all fitness levels, one class burns around 600 calories.

Just turn up on the night or contact Ann McIntyre on 07802 265706

Annual Parish Assembly: This was held on Monday 23rd April, with 19 electors and 3 non-parishioners in attendance, being 4.2% of the April electorate.

Parish Appraisal: The summary anonymised results were presented at the Annual Parish Assembly, and the more detailed results will be delivered to all households in the parish during the summer. The Parish Council will start using the results to guide its future decisions.

Grass cutting: The rampant grass growing in April caused a bit of a struggle, but now the village verges are being kept under control with regular cutting.

The move to having a local grass cutter has meant we have now had 6 cuts in the same period when we previously would only have had three.

Community Events Committee dates: The committee has been busy planning the following -

Who Let The Dogs Out – a fun Dog Show on **Sunday 1st July** at the Village Hall, starting at 12 noon. Come along and enjoy a fun filled afternoon with your furry friend. Art and Craft pitches available, please contact Carol on 07880 556286 if interested.

Quiz and Supper Night at the Village Hall on **Saturday 8th September**.

Pumpkin carving competition to be held on **Sunday 28th October**.

The tree at the junction of Water Lane and High Street has had some care, lifting the lower branches to approx. 5.5m over the roads and to 4m over the grass and the footpath. The Ivy has been severed and the stubby basal growth has been cut back.

Crime: Sadly there has been a recent mini crime wave in the parish, with break-ins at the Church, the Village Hall and the allotments. With the warmer weather coming, please remember to make sure that all doors and windows are secured at night.

History: The Parish Council recently acquired an image of Ebenezer Jabez Browning (1857 – 1927). “*Who was he?*” – well, he was the first Chairman of the Parish Council in 1895, as well as a farmer at Poplar farm, Caldecott (listed as 390 acres, employing 7 men and 3 boys in 1881).

Serve, the independence charity based in Rushden, have a new full bathing facility with ceiling hoist and bath chair available for hire –

1 hour (own transport) £14
1 hour (transport included) £19

Contact 01933 315555 or
e-mail caredepartment@serve.org.uk

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

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Events – June & July 2018

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.

On **Sunday 24th June** there will not be a 9am service, as the curate, Father Tom McLean, is entering the priesthood fully at Peterborough Cathedral at 11am. We shall join with St Mary's Higham Ferrers to make a coach journey to witness the ceremony.

We were very pleased to welcome 32 members of what is now the 305th Air Mobility Wing (AMW) of the US Air Force to our 9am service on Sunday 27th May. The original 305th Bomb Group flew Boeing B-17 "Flying Fortress" bombers from the airfield and the current AMW fly McDonnell Douglas KC-10 "Extender" aerial refuelling tankers. After the service we all went outside to the tower memorial where two wreaths were laid and a short prayer of welcome was followed by the playing of "Taps" by Alex McLean on her cornet - a most impressive reminder of the sacrifice made by so many members of the original 305th Bomb Group from 1943 to 1945.

We gave them tea/coffee/biscuits in the church afterwards and were able to show them the various items we have relating to their wartime colleagues. Many of them were interested to read our book of their State Governors' messages of appreciation, ranging from Governor Bill Clinton in Arkansas through to George Bush in Texas, before they all went on a conducted tour of the old airfield, to be followed by lunch for them all at the *Star & Garter*.

Arthur Wright and Peggy Deards, Churchwardens



Chelveston-cum-Caldecott Women's Institute (contact Raine Earnshaw – 625739).

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 13th Jun – *You can't teach an old dog new tricks* by **Barry Hyde**.

Weds 11th Jul - *Women in the RNLI* by **Major (Rtd) Mike Alcock MBE**.



Free Spirits Ladies Group (contact Mandy - 625144).

Usually 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 @ £3.00 per head inc. tea & biscuits.

Mon 18th Jun – *Visit to farm ... Training Horses*, arranged by **Sue Wager**.

Mon 16th Jul - *Afternoon tea at Castle Ashby*, arranged by **Carole Wibberley**.



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

Everyone is 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.



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 Chelveston.village.hall@gmail.com.



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: Ray Daniells, *Fieldview*, Raunds Rd.
Vice: Liz Kelly, 8 Duchy Close.
Jennifer Harwood, 7 Britten Close.
Patricia Mommersteeg, *Church House*, Caldecott.

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