

# Chelveston-cum-Caldecott News

Parish Council & Village News – April & May 2019

## Upper Higham Lane “plastic to fuel” facility:

Although the NCC Development Control Committee has granted the application, before the plant can operate, it requires a permit to operate from the Environment Agency (EA), which governs what emissions are permissible.

The EA have produced a draft permit, which will go out for public consultation in May. The date isn't known yet, so watch the Parish Council website and Twitter feed for an announcement.

**Community Speed Watch:** Coordinated by Cllr Ray Daniells, the volunteers have been trained by Northants Police and have undertaken their first “turns” with the speed gun, gathering evidence against drivers exceeding the speed limit and also HGVs using Raunds Road.

So if you see them out and about, and you are driving within the limit, give them a wave (*if it is safe and legal to do so*) to show your support.

Separately, but as part of the wider speed awareness strategy, the Michael and Christine Foulger Charitable Trust has given a £7,500 grant to the Parish Council, towards the cost of three Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs), which display the vehicle's speed in real time. These will operate at various locations in the parish.

**Village Gateways:** The Council decided that the gateways were starting to look tired and overgrown in places, so have tasked the Grounds Maintenance contractor to give them some tender loving care, cutting back the vegetation, repainting and repairing as necessary. The end result should be an improvement to the entrances to the villages.

## Bye Bye “Street Doctor”, Hello “Fix My Street”



This is the new fault reporting service for Northants Highways and other related issues. It's a big improvement on Street Doctor, as it lets you upload images of the problems and allows you to see other nearby issues that have been reported. Just enter “Chelveston” in the search box and it will show you the reported faults and updates.

**Dead Street Light?** Please tell the Clerk (contact details over), so we can arrange for it to be fixed.

Lamp 23 (by 1 the Green) has finally been repaired. The fault eventually turned out to be a supply problem, requiring Western Power Distribution to attend and fix it.

**Annual Parish Assembly:** This will be held on **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April** in the Village Hall, starting at **7:30 pm**, with refreshments by the WI at the interval.

The main speaker will be Louise Appleton, a Community Engagement Manager from Gigaclear. *Who are they you ask?* Well come along to the APA and find out, as their workforce will be digging up a lot of roads, footways and verges in the parish over the summer to lay in a new fibre broadband network.

**Gigaclear**  
Ultrafast Fibre Broadband

This will be the faster (30 – 900 Mbps) Fibre to the Premises (FTTP) service, rather than the Fibre to the Cabinet (FTTC) service that BT currently provides.

Other speakers include the reports from the Parish Council, WI and village charities, as well as electing a resident Trustee to the Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund, to serve from 2019 -2023.

**Police Surgeries:** A PCSO attended both Caldecott and Chelveston on Weds 6<sup>th</sup> March in a police van, to enable residents to raise any issues or concerns. They will be back again on Weds 26<sup>th</sup> June.

The Council has suggested to Northants Police that it would be far more useful if the PCSO got out of the van and walked round the villages, as they would meet more residents that way.

**Snowdrop success:** The Snowdrop Weekend on 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> Feb raised just over £12,000 for the Parish Church – many thanks to everyone who helped.

**Cllr Melvyn Wooding** stood down from the Council at the April meeting, having served for 16 years since 2003. During this time he was the Vice-Chair of the Council for 10 years between 2005-2015, a member of the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) Working Group that delivered the adopted NDP, and was a council appointed Trustee to the Educational Foundation for two years until he became an elected Trustee. Popular with the residents, at the 2015 election he secured 197 votes, the highest of any candidate, being nearly 61% of the votes cast.

His departure will create a vacancy until the local elections in May 2020, so if you always wanted to be a Parish Councillor, but didn't want to make a 4 year commitment until you knew whether you liked it; here is an ideal opportunity to serve for a year! Watch the Parish Noticeboard and website for further details.

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

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## Events – April & May 2019

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.

**Palm Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Apr 8.45am** Meet at end of churchyard drive for Procession of Palms to the church for our Family Mass which follows.

Holy Week –

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> Apr 7.30pm** Mass and Meditation

**Good Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Apr 10.00am - 12.30pm** Easter Praise Party in church.

**2.00pm** Stations of the Cross in church

**Holy Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> Apr 8.00pm** Easter Vigil with lighting of the Easter Fire at church with refreshments to follow.

**Easter Day 21<sup>st</sup> Apr 9.00am** Family Festival Mass.

All are welcome to attend any or all of the services - we would love to see more people from the village join us.

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 10<sup>th</sup> Apr – The Pam Ayres of Northamptonshire by Jane Osborn**



**Free Spirits Ladies Group** (contact Judy Hill - 622106).

Usually meets on the third Monday of the month from **1.45pm – 3.45pm** 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 16<sup>th</sup> Apr – Flower arranging.**



**Chelveston Chorus** (contact Joe Carpenter [janjoe68@googlemail.com](mailto: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.

**Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> Apr.**



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](mailto: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](http://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: Andrew Seaman**, *Rosemoor*, Raunds Rd.  
**Jennifer Harwood**, 7 Britten Close.  
**Mandy Hill**, 15 Water Lane.

**Patricia Mommersteeg**, *Church House*, Caldecott.  
**James Pentelow**, 22 Duchy Close.  
One Vacant Seat  
**Clerk: Mark Hunter** *Ashbury*, Caldecott (626039).

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