

# Chelveston-cum-Caldecott Parish Council

## Northamptonshire

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### Minutes of the Extra-ordinary Parish Assembly

13<sup>th</sup> April 2010

#### Meeting Number EPA10

Minutes of the **Extra-Ordinary Parish Assembly** held at 7:30 p.m. - Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2010 in the Chelveston Village Hall.

<b>Present :-</b> Councillors :	Cllr. A.R.Dale (Chairman) Cllrs M.W.Emerson, G.Harwood,M.J.Izzard, P.Mommersteeg & M.W.Wooding.
Clerk:	Mr. M.H.Hunter
Guests:	Cllr P.Whiting (ENC) Cllr D.McMurdo (Beds BC) Mr P.Mommersteeg (Preserve) Dr J.Casey
Public:	49 Electorate 11 members of the public from outside the parish.

#### **1 Introduction & Apologies.**

Cllr Dale welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that this was a meeting of the parish (rather than the Council). Cllr Dale introduced the other members of the Council and the guests present.

Apologies – Cllr M.L.Foulger (illness).

#### **2 Minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly held on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2009.**

Cllr Dale outlined the minutes of the previous meeting. Cllr Dale proposed and Cllr Harwood seconded the adoption of the minutes. The meeting unanimously agreed to adopt the minutes. Cllr Dale & the Clerk then signed the minutes.

#### **3 Explanation of the CRE application as submitted (Cllr Dale).**

Cllr Dale explained the plans for the two applications for 9 125m high 2.5MW turbines, two 80m Anemometer masts, access tracks and underground cabling and a visitor car park. The applicant's use of exclusion zones in siting the turbines was noted.

#### **4 Presentation by Preserve (Pieter Mommersteeg).**

Pieter Mommersteeg presented on the health issues of low frequency modulation "swish" noise in properties less than 1.5 - 2km from the turbines and the visual impact, whilst independent consultant Dr John Casey presented on airborne pathogens, highlighting the dangers of heat resistant pathogens escaping from the bio-reactor as a bio-aerosol and subsequently being dispersed over a greater area by the wake of the turbines. The proximity of turbine EN3 to the AD plant stack was noted.

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### 5 Any other matter the Electorate wish to debate.

Cllr Dale asked the meeting if anyone wished to speak in support of the application. No one came forward. He then asked the other matters they wished to raise.

Items raised by the electorate included - cumulative impact effects, is there a law against more than one wind farm in view?, photomontage errors, turbine noise effects, is Public Health a consultee?, is there a risk assessment of combination of plant and turbines, possible TV interference (between 120-2,000 sets), what involvement of Peter Bone MP?, the proximity of former USAF housing annex to turbine EN2, is this a local news story for Look East?, do the four Bedford turbines create a standing wave, being sited in a straight line downstream of the prevailing wind?, Bedford BC has extensive experience of contaminated land issues, the drainage water exiting the CRE site near bridleway MM17 flows down the hill and through the middle of Chelveston en-route to the River Nene, the route of the 33KV power lines and the Government has recently banned petitions in planning responses, along with template letters.

### 6 Summary of the meeting.

Cllr Dale summarised the meeting and asked for a vote by show of hands from the electorate. None of the electorate present supported the applications as presented. All of the electorate present objected to the application and asked the Parish Council to object on their behalf. Cllr Dale thanked the residents for attending and for such a stimulating debate.

The meeting closed at 8:40 p.m.

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**Adrian Dale**  
Chairman of the Parish Council

**Mark Hunter**  
Clerk to the Parish Council