

Chelveston-cum-Caldecott News

Parish Council & Village News – August & September 2009

Former airfield development applications – The Council has assisted Phillips Planning Services (agents of Chelveston Renewable Energy Ltd (CRE)) in providing two residential locations in the parish for the baseline noise monitoring exercise during June & July.

The measurements are used to set the noise levels as they exist before any development of the site. The planning permissions have conditions limiting the amount of noise CRE may produce, so it was important to establish the baseline against which any future potential noise infringements will be assessed.

Former USAF Housing site – MOD has decided the housing is no longer required and the formal disposal process has now begun – see below.



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Former Owner (Crichel Down) Considerations

Former RAF Chelveston, Married Quarters Estate Land

Land at this location has been declared surplus to MOD requirements and is to be sold. The Crichel Down Rules require Government Departments, under certain circumstances, to offer back surplus land to the former owner or their successors in title at market value.

It has been decided in this instance that the land will not be offered back because exemptions apply. Defence Estates therefore wish to trace anyone who may fall within the definition of former owner or successor as contained in the Crichel Down Rules.

Former Owner: William Frederick Bradshaw Esq.

Any former owner or their successor(s) in title (other than through purchase) are invited to contact Defence Estates by writing within two months of the date of this notice to:

James Ryley, Defence Estates, Operations North, Room F114, Building 351, RAF Brampton, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire, PE28 2EA

Successors in title should state and provide evidence of their relationship to the Former Owner.

Allotments – An initial meeting was held on Monday 27th July to discuss the potential allotments, which was attended by both potential tenants and nearby residents of the possible site behind Disbrowe Court.

The meeting provided a forum for the residents to air any concerns they had and for the potential tenants to suggest mitigation ideas, so the project could proceed forward with minimum impact on either group.

The Council will consider the suggestions made at its next meeting (currently Tuesday 1st September).

Caldecott Bench: The new public bench has been installed in Caldecott, to replace the one damaged by a vehicle in last winter's icy weather. The new bench has been built and donated by Cllr Melvyn Wooding.

The previous bench lasted 40 years, so weary cyclists and walkers are hoping this one will do the same!

Northamptonshire Association for the Blind Mobile Information Unit – The service provides information and support to the many visually impaired people and their carers within the community, regularly visiting numerous locations throughout the county.

The vehicle is fitted out to display a wide range of everyday living aids and gadgets specifically designed to help make life easier for visually impaired people, such as talking clocks/watches, kitchen equipment, reading and writing aids, big button telephones etc.

The unit will be stationed opposite the *Queens Head*, High St, Higham Ferrers between 12.30 pm and 1.30 pm on Friday 21st August. If you know of any visually impaired person or their carer who might benefit by attending, please notify them. Further information can be obtained on 01604 716044.

NCC works: After numerous complaints by the Council and residents, NCC has finally replaced the worn out footway adjacent to 19-21 Water Lane, as well as the section next to the 305th memorial. They have also completed the installation of a new drain to prevent flooding at the bottom of Joes/High Lane.

Next issue: The October & November issue of the Parish Newsletter should be delivered in the first week of October, so if you want to publicise an event in the parish, please let me know before the end of September.

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The Chelveston Parish Church of St. John the Baptist (by Michael Foulger - 622748)

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

Harvest Festival and **Evensong** at 6.00 pm. on **Sunday 20th September** – followed by our famous **Harvest Supper!** Tickets are £7-00 and will be available from Anita Wright (624530) or Michael Foulger (622748).

Friends of St. John's Church - It is hoped that village residents might wish to consider active support for our village Church. We know that most people want the Church to be there for Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals, but the upkeep of the Church building, together with the Churchyard is an onerous and expensive task. Even if you don't currently use the Church, would you be prepared to consider becoming a *Friend of St. John the Baptist Church*, to help broaden its financial base by an agreed monthly amount? If you can help please contact Michael Smith, Treasurer, at 23 Duchy Close (625403) or Arthur Wright, Churchwarden, at *The Byre*, The Green (624530).

The Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust are holding their annual “*Sponsored Cycle Ride and Stride*” on **Saturday 12th September** from 10.00 am. till 6.00 pm. Sponsorship forms for St John's and a list of churches that will be open are available from Michael Foulger (622748). Do remember to get your forms early, to allow you more time to enlist support of your sponsors! Please do support us, thank you.



Chelveston-cum-Caldecott Women's Institute (by Christine Foulger - 622748)

The WI meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7.30 pm. in Chelveston Village Hall. Visitors are always welcome to the meetings @ £3.00 a head including refreshments.

Wednesday 12th August - Social evening for W.I. members. If you would like to come and find out more about the W.I., then here's your chance.

Wednesday 9th September - talk about “*The Wondrous World of Metal Detecting*” by Alan Standish.

The **Open Garden for Coffee & Gateau** was held on Sunday 2nd August at *Haleworth*. We would like to thank everyone who came and supported this event on a lovely afternoon, and which helped to raise £286 for W.I. Funds!



Free Spirits Ladies Group (by Jean Collard - 625383)

The Free Spirits Ladies Group meets on the third Monday of the month between 2.00 – 4.00 pm. in Chelveston Village Hall. New members are always welcome to the meetings. Activities include flower arranging and various crafts with tuition if required. Forthcoming meetings – **Monday 22nd September**.



On **Friday 25th September** we will be holding our **Annual Macmillan Coffee Morning** from 9.00 am until 12.00 noon in Chelveston Village Hall. Please do come and support this very worthy cause. Donations of cakes, tombola prizes, and “Bring & Buy” items would all be very much appreciated. Please contact Christine Foulger (622748) if you are able to help with any of these requests.



The Parish Council usually meets on the second Monday of the month at 7.30 pm. in the Chelveston Village Hall. Members of the public are welcome to attend the meetings and generally there is time available for the public to speak on any agenda item at the Chairman's discretion.

NB. The September meeting will be brought forward to Tuesday 1st September as there will not be an August meeting.

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

Parish Council Members & Officers

Chair: Adrian Dale, 21 Water Lane (622624).
Vice: Melvyn Wooding, *Melrose Cottage*, Caldecott.
Martin Emerson, *Middle Farm House*, the Green.
Michael Foulger, *Haleworth*, Caldecott.

Glenn Harwood MBE, 7 Britten Close.
Mick Izzard, 6 Pretoria Cottages, Raunds Road.
Patricia Mommersteeg, *Church House*, Caldecott.
Clerk: Mark Hunter *Ashbury*, Caldecott (626039).

E-mails to the Council on Clerk@Chelveston.org.uk