

# Chelveston-cum-Caldecott News

## Parish Council & Village News – December 2009 & January 2010

**William Wordsworth (1770-1850) famously wrote in his poem** – *I wandered lonely as a cloud that floats on high o'er vales and hills, when all at once I saw a crowd, a host of golden daffodils.*

Replace “daffodils” with “wind turbines” and this may well be the view that one gets from the parish if all the potential sites come to fruition in the next few years.

**To the west - extension of Burton Wold windfarm** – Kettering BC is considering the application for 7 more 2MW turbines on the north side of the existing 10x 2MW 100m high units.

**To the north - possible windfarm at Grange Farm, Ringstead** – a public exhibition has just been held in Raunds by Volkswind UK, to provide information on its proposed 5x 2.5MW turbines on farm land near the A45 roundabout (opposite the BP garage).

**To the east - possible windfarms at Chelveston airfield and at Stow Longa airfield (Kimbolton)** – At Chelveston, CRE, at an exhibition in May 2006, provided information on plans for 17x, later reduced to 14x, 3MW 125m high turbines, whilst at Kimbolton, Broadview Energys, have indicated they would like to apply for up to 8x 125m high turbines.

**To the south – possible windfarms at Airfield Farm (Podington) and at Nun Wood (Bozeat)** – At Airfield Farm, Nuon are appealing against refusal of 3x 125m turbines, whilst at Nun Wood, Npower, have submitted a reduced plan for 12x 125m high turbines.

**Speaking of daffodils**, Cllr Melvyn Wooding and his wife Rosemary have once again donated a sack of daffodils which they have planted around the parish.

**Allotments** – The second allotment set-up meeting was held on 9<sup>th</sup> November, followed by a site meeting on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>. ENC Planning has confirmed that allotments do not constitute development, nor will a boundary fence if no more than 2m high.

To avoid the costs associated with gaining consent from NCC Highways to install a field gateway onto the publicly maintained highway, the landowner has agreed to locate the new gateway further to the south. Again ENC Planning has confirmed that no permission is required so long as the gateway is no more than 1m high. Work has started in preparing this.

The next activity will be the ploughing the area where the allotments will be sited.

**Parish Appraisal:** Following on from the successful 1995 and 2002 appraisals, the Parish Council has agreed the format for the 2009 appraisal. The responses will help shape the Council's priorities for the next 5-7 years.

The packs will be delivered to each household in December with a Cllr looking after each area of the village. The front sheet contains the instructions and is to be removed before being returned – **this will ensure your replies are anonymous.**

Part A consists of questions to be answered by one member of the house, whilst Part B contains questions to be answered by every member of the household.

The responses will be analysed outside the parish and the results made available at the Annual Parish Assembly in May 2010.

**Street Lighting:** The dead lamp on the Higham Hill crossing has been repaired and the intermittently faulty lamp on the Raunds Rd opposite *Gardenfields* has been replaced with a 35w Sodium lamp.

If you spot a dead lamp let me or a Cllr know (contact details overleaf) and we will get it sorted.

**Parish History:** Phil Baxter has provided me with information on another branch of the Baxter Family, whilst the great-great-granddaughter of William Hirst Simpson contacted me for information on her ancestors from the 1900's.

Ken Allan's (the baker's son who lived in Chelveston 1945-51, now residing in Australia) memories continue, with more village memories web pages at [www.chelveston.org.uk/History/index\\_files/Memories.htm](http://www.chelveston.org.uk/History/index_files/Memories.htm)

**What images do you think of, when you think of the parish?** I've asked this question of a number of people, with answers ranging (in order of popularity) from the church, the rural countryside, the 305<sup>th</sup> BG, the pub, the old school, wind turbines, Cromwell (you need to know the history of the Disbrowe family for that one) and even forklifts!

So if I happened to meet you and asked you this question – what would you reply?

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

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## Events – December 2009 & January 2010

**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.

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December – Advent Carol Service** at 6.00 pm. in the **Parish Church**, followed by seasonal refreshments.  
**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Day) - Sung Mass** at 9.00 am.



**The Annual Carol Evening** (now in our 34<sup>th</sup> year!) will be held on **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> December** at 6.30 pm. in **Chelveston Village Hall**, accompanied by the **Rushden Salvation Army Band**. This is an evening singing carols in the warm for all the family, followed by seasonal refreshments. Admission: Adults = £3-00 each, Children = Free!



**Chelveston-cum-Caldecott Women's Institute** (by Christine Foulger - 622748) 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 inc refreshments.

**Christmas Coffee Morning** on **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December** from 10.00 - 1.00 pm. in Chelveston Village Hall, where there will be homemade cakes, jams, marmalades, chutneys, Christmas crafts, handbags, cards and decorations, and potted Hyacinths. Tickets (on the door) are £2-50 (includes Tea/Coffee & Cake). We hope to see you there!

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December** is our **Christmas Buffet Supper.**

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January - Life as a Prison Officer at Dartmoor** – talk by David Bone.



**Free Spirits Ladies Group** (by Jean Collard - 625383) meets on the third Monday of the month from 2.00 – 4.00 pm. in Chelveston Village Hall. Mainly flower arranging with tuition, but can also include other crafts, under the guidance of Jean Collard. The Christmas meeting is on **14<sup>th</sup> December** and the following one is on **18<sup>th</sup> January.**



**Nene Valley Astronomical Society** meets in Chelveston Village Hall, also on the third Monday of the month in the evening from 8.00 – 10.00 pm. to view the wonders of the universe and the planets of our Solar System. Next meetings are **Mondays 21<sup>st</sup> December** and **18<sup>th</sup> January.** Visitors are welcome @ £2-00 to cover refreshments, etc  
NB: There is an additional meeting on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December** to hopefully see a Meteor shower!



**Pilates** – introduce your mind to your body and put a spring in your step...A new 10-week course of Pilates classes is starting on **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> January** from 7.00 – 8.00 pm. in Chelveston Village Hall. Pilates is a series of 34 mat work exercises improving muscle tone, strength, flexibility, posture and balance, creating a lean, toned body, flat stomach, smaller waist, and strong core without sweating or losing breath! The course runs for 10 weeks, cost £75, and mats are provided for use during the class. If you book on-line by emailing [debi@perfectbalancepilates.com](mailto:debi@perfectbalancepilates.com) you can get a £5 internet discount off this cost. To ask any questions, enquire about personal training, or to request an information leaflet, then please call Debi James on either 01933-318119 or 07833-373622.



**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.

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](http://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).

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