

Chelveston-cum-Caldecott News

Parish Council & Village News – October & November 2010

Walks leaflet – every household should receive a free A4 walks leaflet with this copy of the newsletter. It has details of walks between the villages, churches and pubs over the airfield plateau. The leaflet has been jointly produced by Dean & Shelton and Chelveston-cum-Caldecott Parish Councils.

As folded, it will fit handily into a pocket, but it is also available to download from the Council website at www.chelveston.org.uk/docs/walk_leaflet.pdf

CRE Wind Farm application – Following the additional information provided by the applicant and the subsequent re-consultation exercise, the responses are now being analysed and any missing information requested. The respective Development Control committees are therefore unlikely to consider the matter until November.

Chelston Rise is steadily filling up. The owners (WPG) approached the Council about making some of the houses available for purchase. The Council supports the principle of mixed ownership (i.e. owned & rented) and so a number of houses are now being marketed locally.

New entrance walls with the site name are being erected in place of the old gateways and Royal Mail is expected to install a postbox on the site shortly.

Street Lighting – in keeping with the Council's policy of replacing the old mercury (white) lamps with the more efficient sodium (orange) units, three more lamps have been converted over ready for winter. They give twice the brightness for less than half the power, so orange is green!

Highways - in response to the residents' comments, NCC Highways have cut back the growth on the base of the tree on the junction of High St and Water Lane to improve visibility.

Allotments – the Allotment Association's official opening event was held on Saturday 4th September, with Cllr Adrian Dale performing the ribbon cutting. Following a viewing of the plots and produce, the event concluded with a BBQ at the *Star & Garter*.

Bonfire Night & Fireworks – on the field at the back of the *Star & Garter* on Friday 5th November. Fire lighting after 7.00pm and fireworks at 7.30pm. Admission £1-00 (for the firework fund). A BBQ and warm mulled wine will be available.

Parish history – two more pages added recently; fires in the parish and the 1995 uranium scare. See www.history.chelveston.org.uk for details.

Northamptonshire Police Update -If you would like to meet a member of your Safer Community Team (SCT) and discuss any issues or concerns you have, your local officers are **PC Dougie Brown** and **PSCO Taz Thaseen**.

You can either catch up with them when they are patrolling, meet them at the Higham Ferrers Town Council Offices on the first Saturday of the month, from 10.30 - 11.30am or ring on 03000 111 222 and ask for the East Northants South SCT.

To be kept informed, our free Community Messaging service keeps you up to date, by email, with timely and relevant crime information, as well as advice on emerging or seasonal crime issues and other community safety information. Go to www.northantscommunitymessaging.org to register.

During the month there have been several cases of burglary and thefts from cars across the area. Most burglars are opportunists and will break into homes that are easy - with no security, those that look unoccupied or when they think they will not be seen.

Good security and taking basic precautions will reduce the chance of your home being burgled. As autumn approaches we urge you to follow a few simple steps to protect your property and cars:

- Keep windows and doors locked, even when you are at home or in the garden - 1 in 4 burglaries are through insecure doors or windows.
- Make sure that valuables are out of sight and reach and keep keys away from cat flaps, letterboxes, downstairs doors and windows.
- Keep a light on when you are out and if it's dark before you get home use timer switches to turn on the lights.
- Always keep your car locked, closing both the windows and sunroof if you have one - even if you are only leaving the vehicle for a few moments – and never leave your keys in the ignition when not in the vehicle.
- Physically check, by using the door handle, that your car has been locked or better still use the key to lock your car - don't assume that because the lights have flashed that your car is locked.
- Always remove all items from your vehicle when parked - even an old coat may be enough to tempt a thief.

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

Edited by the Clerk.

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Events – October & November 2010

The Chelveston Parish Church of St. John the Baptist (by Michael Smith – 625403)

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.

The Northamptonshire Historic Churches sponsored cycle ride / stride on the 11th September raised £603, half of which is retained by our church. Fr Grant is away in Adelaide for 6 weeks, but normal church services are being maintained (even the organ has been retuned!)

On **Sat 23rd October** “*Youth and Music*” – a concert by young performers at **7.30 pm**. Tickets £5.00 (including light refreshments) – contact 624530 or 46092 to reserve a ticket. Come and see young musicians from around this area.



Chelveston-cum-Caldecott Women’s Institute (further details from Wendy Williams - 624585) 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 per head suggested donation including refreshments.

Weds 13th October – “*stained glass demonstration*” by **Ellie Gibson**, after a short AGM.

Weds 10th November - “*Actors, Actresses, Artists and Artyfacts of the Wellingborough Area*” a talk by **Jon Paul Carr**.

Sat 27th November - *Christmas Fayre* in **Chelveston Village Hall** from **10.00 – 1.00 pm.**, entry £1.00. Stalls include Candles, Cushions, Chocolates, Christmas Decorations, Handbags and Traybakes. In aid of the W.I.



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 next meeting is on **Mon 18th October**. On **Mon 15th November** the Free Spirits are holding a Christmas flower demonstration. Visitors are welcome at £2.50 per head to include tea and biscuits.



The Macmillan Coffee Morning (by Wendy Williams - 624585) held on the 24th September raised **£414**. Many thanks to all of you who attended or volunteered their services.



Nene Valley Astronomical Society (www.neneastro.org.uk) 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. Visitors are welcome @ £2-00 to cover refreshments, etc. Contact Steve Williams (650331).

Mon 18th October *Members short presentations and a guide to the night sky.*

Mon 15th November “*Telescopes of the Future*” a talk by **Lee Sprouts**.



The Village Hall now has a new management committee, lead by Jenny Harwood, and new arrangements for booking - please contact Adrian Dale (622624) or email Chelveston.Village.Hall@gmail.com with booking enquiries.



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) 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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