

# Chelveston-cum-Caldecott News

## Parish Council & Village News – August/September 2007

As you probably know by now, the **Chelveston Renewable Energy Ltd** generator application was refused by the ENC planning meeting on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June and the renewal of the 12 month temporary permission for the anemometer mast was granted, but reduced to 10 months at the meeting on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July. The developer's next move is awaited.

**The 305<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group Memorial** - the plaque with Margaret Hawkins's poem "*Memorial of Thanks*" has been engraved and will shortly be mounted.

The book detailing the airfield, the 305<sup>th</sup> BG and post-war SAC periods and the building of the memorial is well underway, with quotes being sought for the printing. It should be available in time for Christmas!

**The District Council by-election** resulted in Cllr Pam Whiting being returned unopposed to join Cllr Glenn Harwood as our two new ward District Cllrs. Pam is no stranger to Chelveston, having previously been a District Cllr for us under the old ward arrangements during 2003-7 and often attended the Council meetings.

**The Star & Garter** closed on 21<sup>st</sup> June, with the brewery taking possession. The caravans have vacated the field and because of the uncertainty the organisers of **Operation Chelveston** (the 40's weekend) have decided to postpone this for a year, as they needed both the pub and the field for some of the events.

The good news is that it reopened on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> July, with Paul & Shelley Briggs taking over as the new managers. They would like to extend a warm welcome to you all and hope the villagers will come and support their "local".

Paul is a keen darts player and wants to resurrect the darts team along with some of the popular events that used to take place, such as the weekly quiz night.

The field at the back needs some attention to clear it and Paul would be delighted to hear from anyone prepared to take part in a "volunteer working day".

**Signs:** Nearly 8 months after they were ordered, NCC's contractors have finally fitted the new "Village Hall" and "Parish Church" directional signs at the junction of Higham Rd and Caldecott Rd. Hopefully this will mean no more lost wedding party guests down by the Green!

**Speeding:** Following the Annual Meeting in May, when the Council agreed its priorities for the year, the Safety Camera Partnership (SCP) was invited to send one of their mobile units over. In the space of three hours, 31 offenders were detected in the 30 zone.

As there is a limit on the availability of the SCP units away from the County's main roads, the Council will consider joining the parish operated mobile speed camera scheme at its next meeting. This would require a commitment from the residents, not just the Council, including operating the camera on a rota.

**Rights of Way:** The old stile on footpath adjacent to Raunds Rd (opposite 4/6 Raunds Rd) is to be replaced by the landowner, using materials supplied by NCC Rights of Way dept.

**Street Lighting:** The Council will be ordering a replacement street light for Duchy Close, as the concrete base of the lamp between No's 11 & 15 has started to break up. The new column will be all steel and the lamp will be changed to a more energy efficient (and brighter) 35w sodium unit.

**The Parish Council Web Site** is running successfully at [www.chelveston.org.uk](http://www.chelveston.org.uk). The history pages are being expanded again thanks to information and photographs that you have supplied.

I have recently added information on two old Chelveston families; the Morris family (1844 – present) and the Baxter family (from 1792 – present), thanks to Noel Morris and Maynard Baxter. I will probably do the Brittin/Britten family next.

Does anyone have information on the whereabouts, or fate, of a noticeboard erected to commemorate the villagers who took part in the 1914-18 war? It was a wooden board with gold lettering and was on the site of what is now Cornerhouse Cottages. Unlike the memorial in the churchyard, this list included those who survived the war and came back to their families.

**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, you need to 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 a.m.  
You are most welcome to stay afterwards for coffee, tea and biscuits at the Servery.

Forthcoming events -

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September** from 10.00.am. till 6.00.pm. - **Sponsored Cycle Ride** organised by the *Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust*. The sponsorship money raised is divided equally between the NHCT and the church or chapel that the participant chooses.

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September- Harvest Festival**, with **Evensong at 6.00.pm.** followed by our famous **Harvest Supper** – Tickets will be available nearer the time from Anita Wright (624530) and Michael Foulger (622748).

If you would like any further information on any of the above, or would like to sponsor a rider, please contact Michael Foulger on 622748.



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

The WI meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7.30 p.m. in Chelveston Village Hall. Visitors are always welcome to the meetings @ £2-50 a head including refreshments.

Forthcoming meetings -

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September** – There will be a Talk by *Dr Peter McCormick* about his work in “**Caring for Children with Cancer in Cameroon**”.

Further details from Christine Foulger 622748 or Sarah Stopps 624993.



**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September** – We are holding our **Annual Macmillan Coffee Morning**, from 9.00.am. till 12.00.noon in the Chelveston Village Hall. Please do come and support this worthy cause. Any donations of cakes, Tombola & Raffle Prizes and “Bring and Buy” items would be very much appreciated.

Please contact Christine Foulger (622748) if you are able to help with any of these offerings, or to help on the day. Many thanks!



**The Parish Council** usually meets on the second Monday of the month at 7.30 p.m. 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**, 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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