

Chelveston-cum-Caldecott News

Parish Council & Village News – June & July 2023

The Annual Parish Assembly (APA), the annual meeting of local electors, was held on 22nd May 2023 in the Village Hall. The Chair's report and the Council's accounts are in the accompanying Annual Report newsletter.

At the APA, Chris Pentland was re-elected to serve as a Trustee on the Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund Trust (2023 to 2027).

The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council (AMPC) held later that same evening saw Cllr Andrew Seaman re-elected as Chair of the Council and Cllr Jenny Harwood as Vice-Chair.

Decoration activities – a big thank you to all the Events Team volunteers, who decorated the tree on the triangular green and set up the pots of tulips (donated by Bloms Bulbs) for the Coronation picnic.

The Environment Team held a "Welcome Spring" event in St John's churchyard with puzzles, crafts, plants, lamb feeding (courtesy of Lancaster Farm) and finishing off with a village litter pick on 16th April.

The team even got up early to be interviewed by the BBC Radio Northampton reporter Tom Percival on the Annabel Amos Breakfast show about the environmental projects in the parish.

Planning Applications (new or updates) – 18/01284/FUL - The applicant for the 6 chicken sheds near Newton Bromswold / A6 has submitted an updated "Manure Management Plan". This application was first submitted in 2018.

NE/22/00234/FUL - The applicant for the new access to the CRE site has submitted a "noise assessment" (requested by the Parish Council, as none provided in the original 2022 application).

NE/23/00207/FUL – The applicant has submitted a new application for a dwelling next to *Littleacre* on the Raunds Road, following the withdrawal of the previous application.

If you believe that you might be adversely affected by any of the above applications, you can see further details and how to comment on them on the planning website at <https://www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/viewplanningapplications> and search using the application number(s) above.

Note that planning law only considers material matters, such as nuisance impact (noise, light, smell).

Water Lane ford footbridge – the new bridge was installed in late April by Bridge and Highway Maintenance Ltd, a family run business based in Northampton, and it looks good. Its eco-friendly, being made from 980 500ml recycled bottles!

Daphne Sunderland (Feb 23)

Daphne had lived at 29, The Crescent, Chelston Rise since February 2015 moving here from Bugbrooke, to be nearer to her daughter, Carolyn.

She had reached the age of 90 last December after surviving triple heart bypass surgery and numerous spells in hospital over the last three years. However, she remained fiercely independent and lived alone until she passed. Carolyn and I took her cooked meals in later years and were on hand as needed.

She loved living in this area as we do and was driving herself to Raunds to the Coop and Asda until only a few years ago. Born in Weymouth she lived in Africa for a lot of her life whilst her husband served in the Northern Rhodesian Police force and raised two of her sons. The family had to move back to the U.K. when it was politically difficult and left with very little to start over. Daphne's husband joined the RAF and was later posted to Bahrain where Carolyn was born before settling in UK again and Bugbrooke.

Tony Dawson

Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) – The NNC Cllr ward boundaries are being reviewed and the Commission's draft recommendations are now out for public consultation and can be found on the LGBCE website at <https://www.lgbce.org.uk/>.

Currently the Higham Ferrers ward (which includes this parish) has three NNC Cllrs. The draft recommendations will see this reduced to two NNC Cllrs, as part of the reduction of NNC from 78 to 68 Cllrs, at the next elections in May 2025.

The Commission welcome comments on its draft recommendations by 7th August. You can email your comments to reviews@lgbce.org.uk with the subject heading North Northamptonshire Review.

Raunds Community Library will be holding an Author Evening on **Thursday June 8th** starting at 7:30 pm. Entry to the event is free, and drinks and light refreshments will be available.

Michael J Richards, a local author will be presenting a talk entitled: *Horror and Crime - a conversation with Michael J Richards*.

Information about the author can be found at <https://www.authorsnorthants.co.uk/>

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

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Events – June & July 2023

The Parish Church of St. John the Baptist (contact Arthur Wright - 624530).

There is a communion service **every Sunday morning at 9.00am.**

The church was delighted on **Sunday 28th May** to host a large contingent of US Air Force members of the 305th Air Mobility Wing who had come to renew their association with the village and church and remember the sacrifice of over 700 young Americans who flew Flying Fortresses from Chelveston airfield from 1943 - 1945 and never returned to their homeland. The church was delighted to accept a specially made Guidon or pennant recording the battle honours of the old 305th Bombardment Group (plus one from the later 305th Air Refuelling Wing in 1983 for the invasion of Grenada) which will be a permanent reminder in the church of the longstanding association. It was a very moving ceremony at the tower memorial conducted by the Rev'd Paul Needle and was followed by a church service which included members of St Mary's Higham Ferrers and other friends so that the church was full for a truly moving service.

We now look forward to the forthcoming arrival of the Rev'd Louise Bishop who will be the new vicar and whose induction service will be on **Wednesday 5th July** at St Mary's Higham Ferrers at 7.30pm. We have been most fortunate in having retired priests Rev'ds Lesley McCormack, Linda Bond and Paul Needle who with Lay Reader Brenda Ellred have ensured all usual services have continued during our year without a permanent vicar and we thank them most sincerely for all they have done and they can now enjoy their interrupted well-earned retirement.

Food Bank

Current shortages are – jam, custard, rice pudding, UHT semi-skimmed milk, small bags of sugar, plain rice, packet sauces and noodles, bleach, cleaning spray, washing powder / liquid, shampoo and conditioner. And if you have any large strong (“bag4life” type) carrier bags you don't need we could certainly use them. They can be left in church with the other donations.

The donation box is at the back of the church (near the toilet). As always, thank you for your continued support.

Arthur Wright & Andrew Wager, Churchwardens



The Events Team programme of activities (TEXT Carol on 07880 556286).

The PC Events team, WI and St John's Church held a craft day on 23rd April We made kites and decorations in preparation for the Coronation and Sam Parsons did lots of face painting. The WI provided delicious cakes and a choice of hot and cold drinks.

On 7th May there was a Picnic in the Paddock behind the Village Hall. The weather was extremely kind! Everyone who came said they enjoyed themselves and the PC would like to thank the Church and WI for supporting these events

Our next event will be the popular fun **Dog Show** on **3rd September** at the paddock behind the Village Hall. Another quiz is planned for later in the year - watch out for flyers nearer the time....

As always we are open to suggestions for future events and if anyone is interested in joining the team please contact Carol on 07880-556286



The Parish Council usually meets on the second Monday of the month at **7.30pm**. Members of the public are welcome to attend and may speak on any agenda item at the Chair's discretion.

The agenda and meeting papers are posted on the website (www.chelveston-pc.gov.uk) and the agenda is on the parish noticeboards at least 3 clear days before the meetings.

Parish Council Members & Officers

Chair: Andrew Seaman, Rosemoor, Raunds Rd.
Vice: Jennifer Harwood, 7 Britten Close.
Sarah Cinnamond 44 The Crescent, Chelston Rise.
Andy Cuthbert, 38 The Crescent, Chelston Rise.

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Clerk: Mark Hunter, Ashbury, Caldecott (626039).

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