



# Chelveston-cum-Caldecott Parish Council

## Northamptonshire

### Minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly 29<sup>th</sup> April 2013 Meeting Number APA13

Minutes of the **Annual Parish Assembly** held at 7:30 p.m. on **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2013** in the Chelveston Village Hall.

**Present :-** Councillors : Cllr. A.R.Dale (Chairman)  
Cllrs M.W.Emerson, G.Harwood, J.Harwood  
M.J.Izzard, & P.A.Mommersteeg.

Clerk: Mr. M.H.Hunter

Guests: NCC Cllr D.Lawson, ENC Cllr P.Whiting & J.Faulkner

Public: 25 Electorate + 2 others

#### **1 Introduction & Apologies.**

Cllr Adrian Dale welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that this was a meeting of the parish electorate, rather than the Parish Council.

Apologies – Cllr Melvyn & Mrs Rosemary Wooding, John & Brenda Eildred, Janet Morris, Peggy Deards, Richard Gell (Independent candidate) and Angela White (Labour candidate).

#### **2 Minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly held on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2012.**

Cllr Adrian Dale outlined the minutes of the previous meeting. Glenn Harwood proposed and Jenny Harwood seconded the adoption of the minutes. The meeting unanimously agreed to adopt the minutes. Cllr Dale & the Clerk then signed the minutes.

#### **3 Annual Report of the Parish Council.**

Cllr Adrian Dale, as Chairman of the Parish Council, outlined the Council's activities over the last year, including the various planning applications, flooding issues, Queen's Diamond Jubilee activities, repairs to the 305<sup>th</sup> BG memorial, traffic data, litter pick and emergency planning.

#### **4 Draft accounts for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013.**

The Clerk went through the draft summary accounts, which will appear in the May newsletter.

#### **5 Reports from village charities and organisations.**

a. **Educational Foundation charity:** Adrian Dale, as Clerk to the Trustees, reported to the meeting on the workings of the Educational Foundation and he updated the meeting on the progress of the refurbishment plans for the Village Hall and adjacent car park, as well as the costs and grant applications.

b. **James & Thomas Sawyer charity:** Cllr Jenny Harwood, as a trustee, reported to the meeting on the workings of the charity during the year, with a balance of 6,215.54. The trustees will meet again June to consider two grants.

c. **Friends of St John the Baptist Church charity:** Arthur Wright, as a trustee and Churchwarden, outlined the activities of the charity to date, with 12 regular contributors, including the internment of the ashes path upgrade with mesh reinforcing. He encouraged volunteers to come forward who could undertake maintenance tasks such as the grass-cutting.

d. **Chelveston Allotment Association:** Cllr Martin Emerson, as the Council nominated member of the Association, reported on the progress made by the tenants so far. There are three tenants from Chelston Rise. Currently the waiting list only has two names, so he encouraged those who wanted a plot to speak to Darren Redgate.



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### **6 Introductions by the candidates for the County Council election on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.**

Cllr Adrian Dale introduced Jo Faulkner (UKIP) and NCC Cllr Derek Lawson MBE (Conservative), who each gave a brief introduction to the meeting. Apologies had been received from Angela White (Labour) and ENC Cllr Richard Gell (Independent). Joshua Dixon (Lib Dem) had not responded to the invitation.

*The meeting was adjourned for refreshments, served by the WI.*

### **7 Neighbourhood Planning – survey results and the way forward.**

Cllr Adrian Dale reminded that in response to last year's APA, the Parish Council had conducted a survey over Christmas and January focused on Neighbourhood planning needs. He then went through the results of the survey, highlighting his conclusions, but inviting the audience to form their own views.

Following approval by the Council in May, all households would receive a copy of the results and a working party would be formed to take the Neighbourhood Plan forward.

Cllr Glenn Harwood reminded the meeting that the lack of facilities in parish meant that it scored low in the sustainability criteria, which counted against development.

### **8 Any other matter the Electorate wish to debate.**

Cllr Adrian Dale asked the meeting if there were other matters they wished to raise – speeding vehicles in Caldecott, state of the Caldecott road, HGV traffic through Caldecott and the need for survey to establish if the current 7.5 tonne weight limit criteria could be met, not renewing the white lines in Caldecott to slow traffic, speeding traffic in High St, Chelveston, HGV parking by JST site, thanks to the Parish Council for working on behalf of the village.

### **9 Summary of the meeting.**

Cllr Adrian Dale summarised the meeting and thanked the residents for attending.

He then announced one final event, the unveiling of a plaque by Victoria Williams (being the youngest person present). The plaque had been presented to the parish in 1947, to record the village contributions to the Northampton Hospital Memorial extension fund (a county memorial appeal after WW2), but had never been erected.

The meeting closed at 9:22 p.m.

**Issued on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2013**

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**Adrian Dale**  
Chairman of the Parish Council

**Mark Hunter**  
Clerk to the Parish Council