



Chaddesley Corbett Parish Council

Annual Report

2023 / 2024

Chairman's Annual Report

Firstly, I would like to thank all my fellow councillors and clerk for their support and service to the parish of the last 12 months.

I would also extend that thanks to our volunteers and contractors for all their efforts in keeping this Parish looking neat & tidy and running well. I would especially like to thank our new clerk, Rachel, for steering the ship and helping keep us in order and on track at meetings. This is a new role to her and she has embraced it and managed it really well. She has always managed to find answers to my many questions and offer advice and support when needed, so well done and thank you.

In May, we held elections and were all re-elected. We welcomed 3 new members onto the council, Debbie Newbould, Steve Walker and Jim Wright and our new clerk. Later that month we celebrated the Coronation of King Charles III. Sue Smith & a team of helpers organised a community event at our Village Hall, well done Sue!

At our meeting in July we invited the District Planners, Richard Jennings & Helen Hawkes, to attend, in particular, to explain the enforcement situation with the Adam Hewitt development at Harvington. They were informative and opened our eyes to a planner's perspective as well as discussing a few other planning issues we had.

Sadly that month two of our long serving councillors resigned from the committee, for personal reasons. Phyllis Pardoe and Will Mack, our previous Chairman. They had both served on the council for many years and we passed on our extreme gratitude for their time and contribution in supporting our Parish.

September was a very busy month due to the start of our attempted acquisition of the Allotment and Orchard land. We were offered the opportunity to purchase the land from the diocese as a result in 'change of use' of the land from allotments only. This would require a change in the lease, resulting in set up costs and potentially an increase in the annual rent. We held an extraordinary meeting to decide how to move forward.

In November, we co-opted 2 new councillors from 2 applicants, welcoming Harry Grove and Yvonne Scriven to the council.

We also started the process of looking at a piece of land, village side of the Fox Inn, which is allocated in the Neighbourhood Plan as a site for affordable housing which could be allocated as a low-cost housing site. Dave Thomas is investigating the costs involved and how to move forward with it.

Since then, the main discussion at meetings has been about the allotment and orchard site.

Next month we'll be supporting the celebration of the 80th Anniversary of the D-Day landings, operation 'Overlord', which took place on 6th June 1944

Finally, I would like to thank our three district councillors, Marcus Hart, Robin Drew & Ian Hardiman, who are represented at every Parish Meeting we hold and are always able to offer help, advice and support, sometimes financial help, to our various issues we put to them, thank you.

King Charles III - Coronation Event

This year we celebrated the Coronation of King Charles III at Chaddesley Corbett Village Hall. The event was marked by a sense of community, pride, and festivity, with many residents coming together to partake in this historic occasion.

The hall was beautifully decorated in patriotic colours, with flags and bunting adorning the walls, creating a vibrant and welcoming atmosphere. Long tables were set up, each adorned with elegant floral centrepiece's.

The afternoon tea was a true highlight. Platters of finger sandwiches, scones with clotted cream and jam, and an array of delicate pastries and cakes were laid out, each item more tempting than the last.

The coronation event was not just a celebration of our new monarch, but also a testament to the strength and spirit of our community. It was a day filled with laughter and a shared sense of history, leaving everyone with fond memories and a renewed sense of village pride. Thank you to all of our Volunteers who helped make this a success.

The Purchase of the Allotment Land

We have now secured all the funding needed to purchase the allotment land, thanks to the Levelling Up Grant and The National Lottery Community Fund Grant. We extend our gratitude to everyone for their support and to those who generously pledged and donated towards this project. We are currently still in the process of purchasing the land,



The Burial Ground

We still have plots available for both Cremation and Burials.

Pre-sale plots are also available.

Contact the Clerk for more information

Financial Report - Annual Audit

The summary of the financial accounts for the year ending March 2024, along with the internal audit report, is now available on our website.

Additionally, the precept for the financial year 2024/ 25 has been increased by 5%.

Your Parish Councillors

Chairman Finance Committee Village Hall Committee	Mark Page
Vice Chairman Finance Committee	David Thomas
Emergency Planning	Sue Smith
Finance Committee Wyre Forest Area CALC	Gary Hogan
Trustee Educational Trust	Christine Finnegan
Trustee Educational Trust	Jim Wright
	Geoff Vernon
Village Hall Committee Trustee Educational Trust	Harry Grove
	Debbie Newbould
Allotments and Burial Ground	Steve Walker
	Yvonne Scriven

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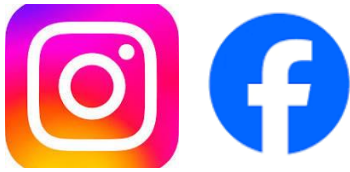
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