



**Chelveston-cum-Caldecott
Parish Council
Northamptonshire**

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Covid-19 (Corona Virus) Parish Emergency Response

PLEASE CONTACT US URGENTLY

On Sunday 22nd March 2020 the Parish Council activated its Civil Emergency Plan just ahead of the Prime Minister putting the country into lock down.

The aims of the plan are very simple:

1. We want to make positive contact with every household in the Village to understand whether they are in anyway vulnerable.
2. We want to put in place a volunteer network for vulnerable households.
3. We want a mechanism for contacting every household quickly if the crisis gets worse.

We sent letters to every household in the Village and the majority responded. **Yours is one of the households missing from our list, and we are very concerned.** We have tried to make contact in several ways, Email, phone calls to your neighbours and FaceBook appeals. For safety reasons, we have been trying to avoid sending out volunteers with more letters, but have now decided to make one final attempt to contact you by letter.

So you might ask “What’s the fuss about? We are fine” . . .

You may be fine now but our efforts at tracing everyone have already found several distressed households:

- We know that over 25% of households in this Village are in the vulnerable category. To date 43 of these (that we know of) have been asked to go into full medical isolation:
 - **These people are being supported, but how many are we missing?**
- We have already had 5 households with suspected Covid-19 in the Village
 - **These people are being supported, but how many are we missing?**
- On Friday and Saturday paramedics were called twice to the Village to households that were on our “missing” list. Sadly one of these residents has been hospitalised.
 - **Could we have helped earlier if we had known they were deteriorating?**

When Covid-19 strikes, it happens very quickly, usually within a couple of hours. Recently, we found one family in the Village that had gone into isolation a week ago without realising that help was available. We have now managed to get in touch and offer assistance from a safe distance. This may just be shopping or medicines but could involve some more serious assistance. We have the volunteers to assist anyone, but would like to have made contact **before** an emergency strikes you.



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So what do you need to do to protect yourselves . . .

Ring or message me on **07850 570007**

Email me on coordinator@covid-19.chelveston.org.uk

Email the Clerk to the Council on: clerk@chelveston-pc.gov.uk

We will then tick you off our list and offer you the chance to join one three communications channels:

1. A daily Email digest of what is happening
2. Membership of a Village wide smart phone support group (WhatsApp)
3. An emergency text or phone message service

Your details will be held in the strictest confidence and will be destroyed when the emergency is over.

If you really want no safety net at all, please let us know and we can cross you off our list. But remember:

- Many families have already been very grateful for help when their lives were turned upside down.
- They were also “just fine” until Covid-19 or forced isolation hit them.
- Just one family suffering without help, is one family too many.

Please get in touch!

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Working on behalf of:

The Parish Council

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