

Chieveley Parish Council Vision Statement

Situated in the North Wessex Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), the administrative boundaries of the parish of Chieveley include the villages of Chieveley with Downend, Curridge, the hamlet of Oare and scattered dwellings in a number of locations such as North Heath and Snelsmore Common.

The community is fortunate to have:

- Primary schools in Chieveley and Curridge
- A village shop with Post Office service in Chieveley, the shop at Dennison Barracks and a convenience store at the petrol station in Curridge
- Primary Care medical facilities at the Downland Practice in Chieveley
- Chieveley Village Hall and Recreational Centre, and Curridge WI Hall facilities to host community events and clubs.

The settlements are mixed, containing some fine old houses and modern developments, a country pub in Chieveley, a country pub with accommodation in Curridge and churches in Chieveley and Oare. There is convenient access to both the M4 and A34.

There are a number of challenges facing the community:

- Aiming to ensure adequate provision of primary medical care and convenient access to secondary medical care
- Aiming to ensure that the educational facilities continue to function, thrive and cope with any influx of extra pupils
- Aiming to ensure the village shop and post office thrives and remains operational
- Aiming to maximise communication both locally within the community and worldwide by the adequate provision of a fast communication infrastructure.

The favoured location of Chieveley Parish brings additional challenges and in particular those associated with the landscape and any future development. In its role to support the community address all the challenges faced, Chieveley Parish Council will strive:

- To ensure that it monitors and participates in the decision-making process with regard to any future development within Chieveley Parish
- To ensure that the landscape is conserved and enhanced in accord with national policy and the statutory requirement of the AONB
- To support a diverse and inclusive community with a range of activities and interests open to residents of all ages.