**Press release**

**CHEVELEY LAUNCHES ITS COMMUNITY PLAN**

*Cheveley is a strong, safe community which offers a good quality of life and access to opportunities, but it could be even better!*

These are some of the observations from the Cheveley Community Plan which has been launched today by the Cheveley Community Plan Steering Group. The Plan reflects the views of parishioners from the North and South Wards of Cheveley parish and will be delivered to all households.

Leading the steering group, chairman, Ian Jackson said: “We have collated the views of local residents on a number of subjects, ranging from local communication, parish facilities to employment and education needs. These have been brought together in one document, which we will use to help develop the strategic focus for the community into the future. As expected, on the whole responses were very positive, but there is always room for improvement and it is these areas we are looking to take forward.

We are well aware this is just the start and our aim is that the resulting projects will continue to be a live mechanism for collating views and moving the village forward. The Parish Council will be presented with the final recommendations.

He added: “We will formally launch the plan in the North Ward at an event held at Newmarket URC Tennis Club, Duchess Drive from 7.30pm on Tuesday 19 April. Copies will also be available at the Annual Parish Meeting to be held in the Community Room, Cheveley Primary School on Tuesday 26th April.”

Every household in the parish has been offered the opportunity to contribute to the plan and 28% have responded with their views on how they feel the village should plan for the future. Young people and children in the parish have also been consulted through engagement at local colleges and Cheveley Primary School.

Residents are welcome to attend either meeting to pick up a copy of the plan which will also be added to the Cheveley Parish Council website, [www.cheveley.org](http://www.cheveley.org).

The plan has taken fifteen months to complete, involved more than fifty local volunteers and has been assisted by Cambridgeshire ACRE.