# Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2015 at 7:30 pm.

# 1. Chairman declared the meeting open.

#### Present

Chairman Cllr P Beaman, Vice- Chair Cllr J Bacon, Cllr A Smith, Cllr Mrs M Rickhards, Cllr Mrs S Crofts, Cllr Mrs S Redman, Cllr E Holder, Cllr Mrs J Beard, Cllr B Dixon, Cllr C Summers, Cllr Mrs Karen Brown

#### In attendance

Parish Clerk Mrs L Gailey, Assistant Clerk Mrs L Stanton, County Cllr C Rickhards, District Cllr J Kerridge, Ross Crawford –Paul, Redditch Standard & 6 members of public

# 2. Apologies for Absence.

3. Cllr Mrs M Woodrow (Holiday)

Proposed CIIr P Beaman, seconded CIIr E Holder, voting unanimous to accept the apology.

### 3. Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare personal interests in any item on the agenda. Members are reminded that the Code of Conduct which took effect from 7 August 2012 provides that they should declare the existence and nature of their personal interest at the commencement of the relevant item (or as soon as the interest becomes apparent). If that interest is prejudicial they should withdraw from the room and not seek improperly to influence a decision about that matter.

There were none

### 4. Public Forum

- I. Mrs Tracy Cater express her interest in renting the piece of land adjacent to Dunstall allotment from the Parish Council to graze her animals.
- II. Mrs Julie Summers urged Parish Council to move forward with the revision of the Burial Rules and informed Council that they have identified 2 non committee members to replace the 2 members that are now Parish Councillors.

# 5. Matters Arising (for information only)

There were none.

#### 6. Items for Discussion

**Min: 9** Update regarding incident involving plot holder at Station Road Allotments-Cllr A Smith informed Council that the matter has been resolved.

**Min: 13** Quotes for replacement fencing for Recreation Ground- Clerk informed Council that she has contacted several companies to quote for the job but she has only managed to find one company who is interested in quoting. Council would like the company to provide a quote for concrete posts. To be discussed at the next Council Meeting.

**Min: 14** CCTV- update re meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> May and notification of meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2015 at SDC. — Clerk reported that she had met with the officer from SDC with responsibility for

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CCTV on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2015. Cllr J Bacon will be attending CCTV partnership meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2015.

**Min: 15** Photographs of Councillors required for display on website and notice boards. Cllrs are requested to provide photographs for display on website and notice boards. For those Cllrs who do not have photographs Cllr Mrs M Rickhards will be happy to take their picture.

### Min: 16 Committee Allocation- Cllr P Beaman & Cllr J Bacon.

Further training courses will be arranged for new Cllrs to attend.

Proposed Cllr P Beaman, seconded Cllr Mrs S Crofts, voting unanimous to agree committee allocation as per list.

Min: 17 Year end Accounts- Preliminary information- Clerk distributed draft accounts and requested Cllrs to make appointments between 2<sup>nd</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> June if they had any queries to ask the Clerk.

# Min: 18 Annual Village Inspection- Set Date

The Annual Village Inspection will take place on the 11<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at 6pm.

**Min: 19 Judging – Garden Frontage-** Clerk reminded Cllrs that Judging of Garden Frontages, Retail & commercial properties, will take place in July.

Min: 20 Burial Grounds Rules- moving forward with review of the rules and representation on committee (Cllr Mrs J Beard, Cllr Mrs K Brown, Cllr B Dixon & Cllr C Summers)

Proposed Cllr Mrs S Crofts, seconded Cllr Mrs S Redman, voting unanimous to have meeting as soon possible to move forward.

### Min: 21 Village Gateway- Cllr P Beaman

Resolved- Clerk to contact Highways regarding the possibility of obtaining historical site plans for traffic calming.

### 7. Planning Applications for consideration

15/01330/FUL: Mr Steve Franklin, 105 Redditch Road, Studley, B80 7AU.

Proposed demolition of existing garages and out buildings & erection of new dwelling

Proposed Cllr P Beaman, seconded Cllr A Smith, voting unanimous to object based on the following:

- Inappropriate development in Green Belt.
- Reducing separation between Redditch & Studley.

### 8. Planning Decisions Received

15/00956/FUL: WE Green & Sons (Studley) Ltd, Field Farm, Hardwick Lane, Studley.

Prior approval for the change of use of one agricultural building to 3 dwellings under Class Q (a)

**Prior Approval Refused.** 

# 9. Notification of Planning Appeals & Planning Committee Meeting

There were none

# 10. District, County Council & Delegate Reports.

County Cllr C Rickhards reported on the following;

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- Studley Centre- The Centre will go before Cabinet in June for the release of sale to the open market. The Churches Together are still interested to purchase the centre.
- Studley Car Boot Sale- Sunday only parking restrictions are now being prepared and it will be in place very soon.
- New Road Parking restriction would be considered to try to address the dangers of traffic forced back on to the main road.
- Early Years Education- Warwickshire is the best authority in the country to take up early years education for 2 year olds.
- Air Quality- At the last full council a motion was passed to give air quality a greater precedence in planning consideration.
- Members' Grant Scheme- The grant will be available from September and the total of the grant has increase from £5000 to £6000.
- Children's Scrutiny Committee- Cllr Rickhards attended a meeting of the Children's Scrutiny Committee at which the performance of Children's Centres such as the one in Studley were examined. The local centre had a good record of engagement with local youngsters.
- School Transport- Changes to Home to School transport were passed to cabinet and it is likely that free transport to grammar schools would end. Warwickshire is the last County to maintain this up to the present. There was possible option of a graduated introduction to the new changes.
- Community Forum 11<sup>th</sup> June meeting cancelled. The next meeting will be held on 24<sup>th</sup> September in Henley.

District Cllr J Kerridge reported the following;

- Cabinet approved the motion of compulsory purchase on the Co-op site.
- Contacted tree officer at SDC, re- tree survey.

# 11. Correspondence

**Min: 22** Letter from Tracy Cater-re enquiry regarding the possibility of renting piece of land adjacent to Dunstall Allotments.

Proposed Cllr Mrs S Crofts, seconded Cllr J Bacon, voting unanimous to visit site and to make a decision as to what Parish Council are going to do with the land.

**Min: 23** Letter from Peter York re- enquiry about parking vehicle on car park at Dunstall Allotments.

Proposed Cllr Mrs S Redman, seconded Cllr Mrs S Crofts voting unanimous that Parish Council will not allow him to park his vehicle at the allotment site and he must refrain from parking in the driveway to the allotments.

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Min: 24 The Clerk Magazine Min: 25 Clerk & Council Direct.

# 12. Approved Accounts for payment.

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|------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|-----|---------|
|                              | Jon Vale        | Ground Maintenance             | 723 | 1969.20 |
|                              | Aqu Aid         | Water                          | 724 | 7.19    |
|                              | Biffa Municipal | Bulky waste                    | 725 | 507.60  |
|                              | Lyreco UK       | Cabinet- Parish Council office | 726 | 275.99  |
|                              | Ian Geddes      | Website updates                | 727 | 59.88   |
|                              | P A Janes       | Litter pick                    | 728 | 380.00  |

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Proposed CIIr P Beaman, seconded CIIr M Redman, voting unanimous for the schedule of cheques be approved and signed.

# **Approval of Direct Debit**

| Name                             | Detail                       | Frequency    |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| Information Commissioners Office | Registration fee             | Annual       |
| NPower                           | Streetlight Energy           | Quarterly    |
| Stratford District Council       | Cemetery Rates               | Monthly      |
| Siemens                          | Photocopier Rental           | Quarterly    |
| Clarity Copier                   | Photocopies                  | Quarterly    |
| Severn Trent                     | Water charges for Allotments | Twice yearly |
| Mrs L Gailey                     | Salary                       | Monthly      |
| Mrs L Stanton                    | Salary                       | Monthly      |
| HMRC                             | Paye & NI                    | Monthly      |
| Warwickshire County<br>Council   | Pension Contribution         | Monthly      |

Proposed CIIr P Beaman, seconded CIIr E Holder, voting unanimous for the schedule of direct debit to be approved.

13) Date of the next Parish Council Meeting: 16<sup>th</sup> June 2015

Meeting closed 9:20pm