# **Studley Parish Council**

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2008 at 7.30pm.

# 1. Chairman declared the meeting open

#### 2. Present

Chairman J. Bacon, Vice Chair Mrs S. Redman, J. Vale, Mrs M. Bell, E. Holder, Mrs H. Wersocki, W. McCarthy, Mrs M. Woodrow.

District Councillor M. Weddell.

21 members of the public.

# 3. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs C. Rickhards, Mrs A. Wade, P. Beaman, M. Redman.

### 4. 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 8 March 2002 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.

Cllr J. Vale – Item 12 Accounts – prejudicial

# 5. Presentation of Annual Village Tidy Awards 2008

Thank you from the Chairman to the residents for making the Village such a nice place to live. It is a pleasure to present the cups and certificates and thank you for all your hard work and effort.

# 6. Public Forum

Dave Smith, Chairman of Studley Sports & Social Club: there has been a misinterpretation of a letter received from the Solicitors. There is no interest from Carlsberg to take over the lease. Letter of clarification being sent to Thomas Guise, same as loan with Lloyds Bank – charge on bungalow. Needed for protection of the Club. Thank you from the Chairman to Mr Smith for explanation. Cllr McCarthy: apology from Cllr Mrs McCarthy for not coming to the meeting. Letter received from Mr McDermott concerning footpath AL146A. He has received protests about the diversion of the footpath. People have wandered off the footpath to other parts of his land. Also had problems with vandalism which is the reason for fencing of the path. Residents worried about views being lost and safety but this will not be the case. Ramblers Association have no problem with the diversion.

Cllr Mrs McCarthy replied to Mr McDermott that she was expressing the views of local people and thanking him for his letter.

# 7. Matters Arising (for information only)

None.

### 8. Items for Discussion

Min 124 Local Development Core Strategy. Clerk to write to SDC.

Min 178 Verdant re Saturday Collection Service:

Proposed Cllr McCarthy that the quote from Verdant for the

# Saturday Collection Service £355.00 + VAT be approved, seconded CIIr Mrs Bell. Voting unanimous. Clerk to contact Verdant.

Min 189 Thomas Guise Solicitors re Studley Sports & Social Club: query about T. Guise representing SSSC and Parish Council. As the issue is being dealt with by different offices and solicitors acting on behalf of SSSC and Parish Council all agreed to accept situation.

Min 190 Cllr Vale: Planning Issues

Concerned about comments on recent planning application. Feels that extra training for Councillors would be of benefit to the Council as a whole to help when discussing future planning applications. Planning Officer to be invited to a meeting for any Councillor who would like additional training.

# 9. Planning Applications for Consideration

08/01991/FUL Stratford District Council, Bell House, Bell Lane, Studley.

Change of use from lodging house (seven bedsits) to two

self contained affordable flats and new porch.

Support for the following planning reasons:

Improved usage and more permanent occupancy of

property.

# 10. Planning Decisions Received

08/01039/FUL Mr M Simons, 13 Crooks Lane, Studley.

Extensions and alterations to bungalow including conservatory.

Permission with conditions 12th August 2008

### 11. Correspondence

SDC

Min 197 Notification of withdrawal of planning application no.08/01561/FUL 28 Knottesford Close, Studley.

### WCC

- Min 198 Minerals Core Strategy Summary document outlining the progress to date on this emerging strategy. Can also be viewed on website <a href="https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk">www.warwickshire.gov.uk</a> Passed to Cllr McCarthy.
- Min 199 Environment Agency production of three flood guides for the public giving practical advice on what to do during and after a flood.
- Min 200 Invitation from Chairman of WCC for 2 representatives from Parish Council plus partners to an 'At Home' drinks reception Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> September 2008 at Shire Hall 6.30pm 8.30pm. No one available to attend.

### Other

- Min 201 Ray Westwood re Aldi planning application concerning the poor quality of the debate and understanding of planning issues by the Councillors. Feels Parish Council has let down their constituents. Already acknowledged by Clerk.
- Min 202 Thank you from Studley in Bloom for the help and support of the Parish Council for the Heart of England in Bloom competition.
- Min 203 Pilot scheme for planning applications that all comments by Parish

- Councils must be submitted within 21 days of consultation.
- Min 204 WALC: AGM on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2008 plus legal briefings copies given to Councillors.
- Min 205 WRCC social events to find out more about competitions they organise at Offchurch Village Hall 7.00pm on Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> September 2008. Warwickshire Best Village of the Year competition Wolvey Village Hall 2.00pm on Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> November 2008.
- Min 206 Samaritans request for donation. Clerk to write.
- Min 207 Clement Keys Annual Return 2007/2008 year of accounts now complete. The matters arising in the correspondence of 29<sup>th</sup> July 2008 were brought to the attention of the Parish Council and dealt with by Clement Keys on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2008. The closure of audit has been advertised as requested.
- Min 208 Land Registry offering 25% discount to help Parish Councils who own land to register their property to establish proof of ownership when required. Clerk to check Parish Council land.

# **Correspondence for Circulation**

- Min 209 Macmillan Cancer Support 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning'
- Min 210 WALC newsletter
- Min 211 A Guide to becoming a Quality Council
- Min 212 WALC 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Report

# 12. Approve Accounts for Payment

Cllr Vale left the room whilst the accounts were being signed.

Proposed CIIr McCarthy that the schedule of cheques for payment be approved, seconded CIIr Holder. Voting unanimous.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, 16th September 2008

Meeting Closed 9.05pm