

Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday 3rd July 2007 at 7.30pm.

1. Public Forum

None.

2. Chairman declared the meeting open

3. Present

Chairman P. Beaman, Vice Chair J. Bacon, E. Holder, J. Vale, W. McCarthy, Mrs M. Woodrow, G. Noke, C. Rickhards, Mrs M. Bell.
District Councillor M. Weddell.

4. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mrs H. Wersocki, Mrs S. Redman, M. Redman.

5. 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.

None.

6. Matters Arising (for information only)

Min 74 HM Revenue & Customs re claim for refund by Studley Parish Council. Confirmation received that the claim for the period 1st March 2007 to 30th April 2007 for £14,455.71 will be authorised.

Min 75 Thomas Guise Solicitors, renewal of lease for Studley ATC 480 Squadron, land adjoining Pool Road car park. Confirmation received that the lease signed by members of the Council forwarded to tenant's solicitors and the matter is now concluded. Copy enclosed for Parish Council's retention. Originals with Thomas Guise.

Min 103 Confirmation of booking of Gemma Johnson for Chairman's Ball on 1st December 2007. Receipt received for deposit.

7. Items for Discussion

Min 102 Nominations & date of judging Best Kept Front Garden. Judging to take place on Friday, 13th July 2007 by Clerk, Cllrs Bacon & Vale.

Min 104 Accounts for Approval 2006/07.

Proposed Cllr Mrs Bell that the Accounts for 2006/07 be accepted and signed, seconded Cllr McCarthy. Voting unanimous.

8. Planning Applications for Consideration (Cllr Beaman refrained from Voting)

07/01669/FUL

Diocesan Schools Commission
St Marys RC Junior and infant School, Pool Road,

Studley.

Extensions to form cloakrooms and toilets, extend administration area and infill courtyard.

No representations.

9. Planning Decisions Received

07/01284/FUL

Ms Diana Haines, 18 Riverside, Studley.

Infill of car port to create an office.

Permission with conditions 20 June 2007

10. Correspondence

SDC

Min 105 Cllr Mrs Wright: Studley Special Collection. Details received from Robert Weeks, SDC for a special rubbish collection as Studley residents are no longer allowed to use Redditch tip. Cost for 1 RCV driver, 1 x 7.5 ton cage with driver based on 2 hours on site plus 1 hour travelling will be £288.78 + VAT. Any longer on site £72.20 per hour. SDC prepared to pay 50% of the cost until the end of the financial year, maximum.

Proposed Cllr Beaman to go ahead for a 6 month trial period commencing 1st Saturday in September, seconded Cllr Vale.

Voting 6 for, 1 abstention.

Notice to be put up that CCTV will be in operation and any dumping will be monitored. Clerk to advise SDC. To be advertised on radio, in newsletter, on website, with posters and flyers.

Min 106 Grass cutting, Studley. Following complaints from residents, Chris Sumner, SDC and Contractor visited Studley. Problem mainly due to cuts now being 9 per annum instead of 13. Also due to wet weather grass growing very quickly. Main complaint in Studley is quality of cut. Problem with type of mower used. Contractor to keep a check on situation and if necessary will get operatives to come back and do the job again.

Min 107 Rural Housing Enabling Event 19th July 2007 at Ettington Village Community Centre at 4.00pm. SDC is committed to helping communities develop plans to identify housing need and potential development sites. The purpose of the event is to identify barriers and current issues which are hindering progress of site canvassing, sharing of information and next steps. Cllr Rickhards and possibly Cllr McCarthy to attend.

Min 108 Planning Application No.07/01284/FUL 18 Riverside, Studley. Parish Council had objected to this plan 'under planning policy DEV 1' question change of use and loss of parking'. Advised that the use of a single room as an office is considered ancillary to the use of the property as a dwelling house. The application is therefore not for a change of use, but for a change in the appearance of the front elevation of the property. No cause to object on the grounds raised and the application has been granted under delegated powers.

WCC

- Min 109 Notification of temporary road closure – Green Lane, Studley. Closed to through traffic from junction of Brickyard Lane west for approximately 30m for 12 days 23rd July 2007 until 17th August 2008.
- Min 110 Flooding information and advice is available on Warwickshire County Council's website www.warwickshire.gov.uk/epu

Other

- Min 111 Request received from Mrs Hay to repair or replace stile in fields opposite Church with a Kissing Gate. Clerk to respond to Mrs Hay that request will be passed on to Countryside Recreation Department.
- Min 112 Studley in Bloom judging to take place on 30th July 2007 between 2.00pm and 5.00pm. Need to pull together as a community so that Village looks its best.
- Min 113 Mappleborough Green Parish Council – cheque received for £50.00 as contribution towards Friday Shopper Coach Service to allow 'pick up' point in Mappleborough Green to continue.
- Min 114 Letter received from John King concerning the hedge on Station Road Allotments. Feels that the increase in height of 12" would impact on his plot. Feels strongly that Allotments should be about gardening and encouragement of wildlife and birds. Hopes that Parish Council will reverse the decision and maintain original height and width. Clerk to check with Contractor.
- Min 115 Request received for financial contribution towards activities of Scouting Centenary Camp. Clerk to respond that this falls outside Parish Council remit as we are not able to support National Organisations.
- Min 116 Informed that Inspector Warren Ayres moved youths from skate park area. Will ask PCSO's to see if there is anything else that can be done to keep youths away until skatepark completed. Clerk spoke to Contractor. Kids have wrecked the security fence which has now been taken down. Safety notices are still in place and Parish Council has done all it possibly can to keep area safe. Weather permitting should soon be completed. Will have to be an official opening inviting all people who have contributed.

Correspondence for Circulation

- Min 117 SDC Free Activities Hi 5 Booklet

11. Approve Accounts for Payment

Proposed Cllr Holder that the schedule of cheques for payment be approved, seconded Cllr Mrs Bell. Voting unanimous.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, 17th July 2007

Meeting Closed 8.15pm

