

Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday 3rd July 2012 at 7.30pm.

1. Chairman declares the meeting open.

2. **Present**

Chairman; Cllr P Beaman, Mrs S Redman, J Bacon, J King, M Redman
Clerk, Mrs L Gailey & 2 members of the public

3. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received and noted from:– Cllrs Mrs M Woodrow, Mrs A Wade, A Smith & E Holder (Personal) and C Rickhards (Business)

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 King – Item 7

5. **Public Forum**

A request was made for a copy of what is and is not allowed to be placed on graves at Studley Parish Cemetery and the Parish Council Policy for removing items.

It was resolved that Cemetery Rules and Regulations and Burial Charges be discussed as an agenda item at a future Parish Council Meeting and once revised be displayed. Any items removed by contractor to be returned to Parish Council in the interim period.

6. **Matters Arising (for information only)**

Min 67 Changes to street lighting in Warwickshire – a reply to the Parish Council's response to the proposal to operate street lighting on part night basis has been received from Warwickshire County Council. Cllr Rickhards to pursue matter with County Council. Cllr Beaman reported that the contractor who maintains the street lighting for the Parish Council will be trialling alternative light fittings.

7. **Items for Discussion**

Min 35 Assistant Clerk –

Proposed by Cllr Mrs S Redman that on behalf of the Staffing Committee that the position of Assistant Clerk be offered to Mrs Linda Stanton. Seconded Cllr Beaman. Voting unanimous.

- Min 79 Alexandra Hospital – A discussion took place on the proposed cuts to services at the Alexandra Hospital. The hospital is essential for the whole of the district. It is situated close to major transport links and there is history that suggests that patients involved in serious accidents are often taken to the Alexandra Hospital. There are no direct public transport links to Worcester Hospital and parking is often impossible. **Proposed Cllr Beaman that a formal letter of complaint is sent to Worcestershire Acute Hospital NHS Trust.**
- Min 48 Studley Fire Station – A discussion took place regarding the use of the Fire Station following its closure. Cllrs decided they would like to see the Station retained for a period of 12 months before being sold. A possible use for the Fire Station either short or long term could be as an Ambulance Station Point. **Resolved that clerk would write to Warwickshire County Council in response**
- Min 80 Annual Village Inspection will take place on Tuesday 10th July 2012 at 5.30pm.
- Min 81 Studley in Bloom have requested that a bin for garden waste be located on site at the Village Hall. **Clerk to contact SIB** and advise that if they fund purchase of bin then Village Hall Caretaker will ensure it is emptied.

8. Planning Applications for consideration

12/01323/FUL Mr Philip Hunt, 22 Node Hill, Studley
Proposed single storey side extension to include chimney

9. Planning Decisions Received - None

10. Correspondence

SDC - None

WCC - None

Other –

Min 82 Letter received from Mrs D Mitchell thanking Councillors for organising her retirement dinner and gifts.

Min 83 A letter has been received from J Hutchinson regarding a tree stump at Studley Sports and Social Club. **Resolved that Clerk would instruct contractor to inspect the tree stump and report back**

Correspondence for Circulation

Min 84 Warwickshire County Council Press Releases:-

- Chief leads by example as firefighter fitness testing launched
- Parade to mark signing of armed forces community covenant
- Stratford Parkway agreement reached
- Warwickshire Archaeology Festival

11. Approve Accounts for Payment

Proposed: Cllr Beaman that the schedule of cheques for payment be approved, Seconded Cllr Mrs S Redman. Voting unanimous.

Cheques

Cheque	Payee	Amount
046	P A Janes	320.00
047	WALC	35.00
048	Amberol	216.60
049	Ocean Blue Graphics	9.25
050	J Vale	1254.00

Direct Debits

03.07.12	Severn Trent	169.96
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The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday 17th July 2012

Meeting closed 8.30 pm