

## Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2010 at 7.30pm.

### 1. Chairman declared the meeting open

### 2. Present

Vice Chair J. Vale, E. Holder, P. Beaman, Mrs A. Wade, W. McCarthy, Mrs M. Woodrow, Mrs H. Wersocki, M. Redman, Mrs S. Redman and J. Bacon.  
District Councillor Mrs H. Wright  
5 members of the public.

### 3. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received and noted from:  
Cllr C. Rickhards – Theatrical Engagement  
Cllr D. Sumner - Holiday  
District Cllr M. Weddell - Social Commitment

### 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 11 Accounts - Financial.

### 5. Public Forum

None

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

None

### 7. Items for Discussion

Min 139 Fire Station Closure:

- Firemen feel they have been treated very badly and the decision to close the Station taken by WCC on 20<sup>th</sup> July does not make sense.
- Actual closure proposed in September 2013. The decision cannot be reversed but there may be a legal challenge by the Fire Service Union or a change of Councillors at WCC. Posters have been printed and distributed and aware that Nadhim Zahawi has been bombarded with emails.
- When any more information has been received will pass it on to the Parish Council.

- Concerned that Redditch will be losing one of their retained engines which would mean only one engine available to cover their area, which could impact on Studley. Hereford & Worcester will charge every time they come over the border to Warwickshire.
- On a positive note the Annual Fire Station Flower show will be going ahead on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2010.
- Judicial Review and Legal challenge to be carried out, the process will need to be examined. There may be a bylaw which is being looked at which states a local fire station cannot be closed without a local vote. Working together with the unions
- Need to get facts and figures together with statistics in a form that is hard hitting. Could include something on Parish Councils website.
- Retained firemen at Alcester will be made redundant and the decision has not been consulted on. Only one engine will be available and already disquiet in Alcester about the decision as they could be worse off if the engine is elsewhere. Money has not been included in the Capital Budget for the upgrade of Alcester.
- Lots of confusion at present and need to see what comes out in the next few weeks.
- Thanks from the Chairman to the firemen Mr Crow and Mr Skidmore for attending the meeting.

Min 149 Brickyard Lane Changing facility:

- Email from Redditch & South Warwickshire Combination League stating that an adequate changing facility is required within one mile which should include provision of toilet and washing facilities. There is no requirement for showers.
- Cost to bring the facility to a reasonable standard prohibitive. Need to look at the health and safety aspect.
- **Proposed Cllr McCarthy seconded Cllr M. Redman that the area be kept as a recreation ground only. 9 for 1 against.**
- May need to look to include refurbishment in next years precept.
- Changing facility to be no longer used until problems are sorted out.

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

10/01430/ADV Ener-G PLC, Studley Point, Birmingham Road, Studley.  
Proposed fascia sign.  
**No representation**

10/01411/EXT Studley Sports and Social Club, Eldorado Close, Studley.  
Application for the renewal of planning permission  
05/01528/FUL for 3 no. tennis courts, 2 no. with flood  
lights, 6 no. columns eight metres high, fencing to 3 no. courts.

### **No representation**

10/01252/FUL Mr R Crawford-Paul, 21 Knottesford Close, Studley.  
Erection of single storey extension to side.

### **No representation**

## **9. Planning Decisions Received**

10/01069/FUL Mr Ken Moore, 63 Green Lane, Studley.  
Replacement Dwelling  
**Permission with conditions 5<sup>th</sup> July 2010**

10/00957/FUL Mr Ricki Rooke, 60B Station Road, Studley.  
Construction of tiled lean-to canopy on front elevation.  
**Permission with conditions 9<sup>th</sup> July 2010**

10/00665/AMD Mr B J Bubb, 47-51 High Street, Studley.  
**Application for non-material change to planning permission 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2010**

## **10. Correspondence**

### **SDC**

Min 150 Parish Talk Special – Review of Open Spaces questionnaire that can be completed by members of the public on line for Open space, sport and recreation provision in the area. Reminder of the Council Open Day Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September.

### **WCC**

Min 151 As part of a country wide consultation on the Director of Public Health's report on Older People two public events organised:  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at HRI Wellesbourne  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October at Shipston High School. Further information concerning the times to be notified at a later date.

Min 152 Total Place Project – Stratford District has been offered consultancy time by Neighbourhood Resource Centre for Central England (NRCC) between now and the end of December(20 days maximum) to develop a pilot action plan to improve efficiency and cost effective service delivery. The pressing issue for Studley is to develop more positive activities for children and young people. Copy of project brief passed to Councillors for their information. The consultant Chris Marsh will be supporting the project. Workshop to be organised early/mid September for key stakeholders.

Looks as though they will be looking at how all agencies in Studley work together. Clerk to invite Jenny Murray to a Parish Council meeting to discuss further.

**Other**

- Min 153 Tanworth in Arden Parish Council copy of a letter to be sent to Paul Lankester if required concerning long standing planning issues following a recent meeting. Council has decided not to go ahead.
- Min 154 WALC – Invitation to meet Association Representatives including a proposal for the establishment of WALC and Parish and Town Council liaison meetings for those parishes in Stratford West area including an update on the year past and year ahead for SDC. Meeting is on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2010 at 6.30pm Elizabeth House. Free parking is available. Clerk and Cllr Mrs Wade to attend.
- Min 155 NALC progress report on legislative changes to allow payments other than by cheque. Amendment required to the Local Democracy Act to solve the problem. Support received from the Right Honourable Grant Shapps MP. Minister for Housing and Local Government. Meeting to be arranged with officials to move things forward for a draft order with a view to repeal by Christmas.
- Min156 Redditch Borough Council – Town Centre Landscape Proposals and regeneration of St Stephens Church project consultation 26<sup>th</sup> July – 15<sup>th</sup> August. Comments invited. Will be phased over a number of years subject to funding.
- Min 157 NPower – New prices for the extended contract period which ends 8<sup>th</sup> November 2010 for changing facility, Brickyard Lane. Clerk to contact to have electricity supply disconnected.
- Min 158 Criminal Justice System notification that Lee Hickinbottom was sentenced to 32 weeks suspended prison sentence, 250 hours unpaid work requirement together with costs for fraud and false representation.
- Min 159 Email concerning traffic problems following car boot Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> July. Clerk has responded following a recent meeting to discuss ongoing problems.

**Correspondence for Circulation**

- Min 160 CPRE Retrospective Planning
- Min 161 Tesco, Alcester Road, Studley – Photos
- Min 162 Introduction to Warwickshire Police Authority and Stratford District Councillors Briefing
- Min 163 Parish News from the Rural Services Network
- Min 164 Henley & Studley Community Forum Minutes of Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> July 2010
- Min 165 WALC Minutes of Meeting 14<sup>th</sup> July 2010
- Min 166 NALC E-Bulletin: Notice of Conclusion of Audit
- Min 167 The QE Charity Newsletter

Min 168 Stratford Summer Activity Calendar  
Min 169 Parish Talk Special

**11. Approve Accounts for Payment**

**Proposed Cllr Mrs S Redman that the schedule of cheques for payment be approved, seconded Cllr P. Beaman. Voting unanimous.**

643 – Factory of Fun £705.00, 644 – Verdant £ 408.25, 645 – Severn Trent £526.99, 646 - M. Millinchip £80.00, 647 – J. Vale £671.42, 648 – P.A.Janes £400.00, 649 – 2geedesign £40.80, 650- Severn Trent £142.56, 651- Severn Trent £189.60, 652- Petty Cash £120.00.  
Direct Debit 22<sup>nd</sup> July PWLB, Village Hall Loan £3661.41.

**The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> August 2010**

**Meeting closed 8.50pm**

*Signed: Chairman .....*