Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday 4th March 2008 at 7.30pm.

1. Chairman declared the meeting open

2. Present

Chairman P. Beaman, Vice Chair J. Bacon, E. Holder, Mrs A. Wade, J. Vale, Mrs M. Woodrow, W. McCarthy, Mrs S. Redman, M. Redman. District Councillor M. Weddell.

3. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs C. Rickhards, Mrs M. Bell.

4. Co-option of Anne Wade onto the Parish Council

Proposed Cllr McCarthy, that Anne Wade be co-opted onto the Parish Council seconded Cllr Beaman. Voting unanimous. Welcome back. Declaration of Acceptance of Office form signed by Cllr Mrs Wade.

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.

Cllr J Vale – Planning Application No.08/00325/LDP non prejudicial

6. Public Forum

None.

7. Matters Arising (for information only)

None.

8. Items for Discussion

Min 364 Matthew Taylor Independent Review of the Rural Economy and Affordable Housing

Comments prepared by Cllr McCarthy. Copy handed to all Councillors at last meeting.

All agreed for Clerk to submit comments. Thanks to Cllr McCarthy for his hard work.

Min 375 Cllr Beaman: Youth Club

PG Kaba expected to attend meeting to discuss how Youth Club could be improved. Clerk to put it in writing asking him to attend next meeting. Would be more beneficial if Club opened during the evenings. Opens in the morning and afternoons for Escape Workshops. When Youth Club is rented out money goes to WCC for

distribution to all Youth Clubs. Should be for benefit of Studley Youth Club.

Min 376 Cllr Beaman: Street Cleansing Schedule
Copy of Street Cleansing Schedule for Studley handed to all
Councillors for information.

Clerk to write to SDC and ask for footway sweeping the footpath along Castle Road from the bridge to the corner leading to the Church. It is heavily used.

9. Planning Applications for Consideration (CIIr Beaman refrained from Voting)

08/00066/FUL

Lloyds Homes Ltd., Land to the Rear of 34 and 36

Node Hill, Studley.

Demolition of detached garage and new access way

and 6 no. dwellings.

Objection for the following planning reasons:

- 1. Loss of light and amenity to homes on Landsdowne Crescent.
- 2. Access a problem, difficult for emergency vehicles.
- 3. Overcrowding of site.
- 4. Only space for 12 wheelie bins in bin store.
- 5. Question accuracy of plan regarding the trees especially the sycamore.

08/00325/LDP

Mr C Preen, Field Farm Cottage, Castle Road, Studley.

Porch to front door to previously approved house.

No representation.

08/00302/FUL

M. Morgan, 60A Station Road, Studley.

First floor extension over existing flat roof for bedroom and en-suite - including new external open sided covered way to existing back door and internal ground floor wc.

No representation.

08/00348/FUL

M Nappolini, Unit 8, Bell Court Business Centre,

Bell Lane, Studley.

Change of use from (B8 storage) to one to one personal training studio to include basic exercise equipment (D2).

No representation.

10. Planning Decisions Received

None.

11. Correspondence

SDC

Min 396 Lease of Land at Studley to Parish Council (Allotments) subject to agreement. Draft lease for approval. All agreed Clerk to check. Once approved Form of Tenant Declaration to be completed.

Min 397 Response re concerns about Traffic Wardens in Studley. If there are no parking restrictions (yellow lines) Parking Attendants have no powers to request or advise drivers parked on pavements. It is a Police matter.

Min 398 Notification of appeal Planning Application No.07/00784/FUL Land to the Rear Of, Needle House, Studley joining onto the Redditch Road. To be dealt with at a public inquiry. Clerk to write and reiterate objections and refer to Parish Plan that it is important to retain land for employment in Studley.

Min 399 Planning Application Validation Checklist Consultation

www.stratford.gov.uk/planning/planning-1707.cfm Government is introducing new standard planning application forms (1APP) for applications for planning permission under the Town & Country Planning system. To be used by 6th April 2008. For the Council to apply the Local Requirements the validation checklist must be formally adopted following a 6 week consultation period. Clerk to write it is long winded and unnecessarily complicated.

Min 400 Notice of District Council Election Thursday 1st May 2008. Copy to be displayed on notice board.

WCC

- Min 401 Invitation from Cllr John Wells to an 'At Home' drinks reception 29th March 2008. Cllr Holder to attend.
- Min 402 Details received of changes to the Minerals & Waste Development Scheme revised timetable for the preparation of the Minerals Local Development Framework Scheme reviewed because of requirements stemming from PPS25 to undertake a Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA).

Other

- Min 403 Feedback form received asking for views on preferred options for Health Services in Alcester. Closing date for response 25th April 2008. Awaiting response from GPs in Studley as to their views.
- Min 404 Request from Valuation Office Agency for information regarding non domestic rating. Clerk to complete.
- Min 405 Public Works Loan Board Fixed Rate Loan. Loan is paid by direct debit and the sum of £3397.50 will be debited from nominated account on 17th March 2008.
- Min 406 Letter received from D. Anderson concerning the lights in the central bollards down The Slough and Node Hill which have been damaged. Also requesting double yellow lines on the road at the junction of St Judes Avenue and Station Road. Damaged bollards already reported to WCC. Clerk to write to Solicitors asking that staff do not park too close to the junction as it is dangerous.
- Min 407 Letter received from Thomas Guise Solicitors re Node Hill Close Planning Application No.08/00066/FUL acting for the owner of land adjoining that in application. Objecting to the grossly contrived details of the proposals. Copy already sent to SDC and copy handed to all Councillors for information when making a decision on planning planning application.
- Min 408 'Working Together for Our Environment' letter received from CPRE.

 Concerned about developments in Solihull and nearby areas. Meeting to be arranged shortly at the Old Silhillians Memorial Hall and it is hoped that Parish Councils and residents will attend. Views welcomed by e mail office@cprewarwickshire.gov.uk
- Min 409 WALC: Briefing day 'The Next Step Making the most of your Role as Parish & Town Councillors' at 10.00am on Saturday, 12th April 2008. Cllr Holder to attend, any other Councillor interested to notify the Clerk.

Correspondence for Circulation

- Min 410 The Arden Newsletter of the Council for Voluntary Service
- Min 411 Enjoy England Celebrate St George's Day
- Min 412 Festive News Newsletter of The Festive Lighting Company

12. Approve Accounts for Payment
Proposed Cllr McCarthy that the schedule of cheques for payment be
approved, seconded Cllr Bacon. Voting unanimous.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, 18th March 2008

Meeting Closed 8.30pm