

Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday 4th September 2007 at 7.30pm.

1. Public Forum & Item 5 Skatepark Issues:

Welcome from the Chairman to everyone at the meeting.

Residents: need to know what the Parish Council are prepared to do concerning problems they are having with the skatepark.

- Police asked last week for their point of view. In last month had one call at 1.00am on Saturday.
- Residents called in more than once but did not get incident number. Took 15 minutes to answer telephone. Have lived in Village for 30 years and residents not going to keep on calling Police. Residents cannot be expected to Police area. No PCSO's seen in area and police cars just drive passed.
- Children have to be allowed to play and congregate. 8.00pm at night is ok. It is not the fault of the Parish Council if they are drinking. Drink is a police issue.
- When area becomes an alcohol free zone the Police will be able to move youths on.
- Residents have reported fighting and swearing to Police between 10.00pm and 2.00am but no-one came. Calls go through to Stratford call centre. All the police are in Stratford. No-one in south of county. 30 kids in recreation ground at one time and police just drive passed. During the Bull Dog bash weekend only one Police Officer available for whole of area. PCSO's not allowed to work after 10.00pm. Resident who has lived here for 10 years now feels threatened.
- Chairman and Clerk to chase up report from CCTV.
- Complaint of motorbikes and cars racing up and down road sounding horns, playing up to kids on skatepark. Also an ice cream van in area.
- Residents were asked if they think solution is to completely remove the skatepark or if retained with measures would that be the answer. A Resident would like it removed.
- Skatepark was put on recreation park for safety, if it had been put on Brickyard Lane and anyone was injured help would not be easily available. Parish Council need time to sort out problems.
- Resident infuriated – putting aside nuisance youths there is a constant bumping, banging and screaming until 2.00/3.00am and all day long.
- Councillor checked for 3 nights and did not hear any noise.
- Resident invited Councillors to her house to listen to the noise.
- Parish Council awaiting noise level check from SDC. Unfortunately Officer is on sick leave at present.
- Skateboards, bikes and scooters ok but noise caused by rattle which maybe needs looking at, also definite thud and banging.
- Parish Council have discussed the situation and in favour of bund with hedge on top to protect residents from noise and eyesore but need to monitor problem as maybe a 'one day wonder'.
- Suggested that Parish Council have sound test, chase up Police, CCTV and alcohol free zone order and keep out motorbikes.
- PCSO Johnson stated that since meeting 4 weeks ago, only 2 reports were received from residents.
- All incidents must be reported and logged otherwise perceived that there is not a problem. Village Hall problem was very stressful but after constant reporting it stopped.
- Maybe residents could keep diary of dates and times. Could log incidents, pass them to the Clerk to pass onto Police.
- If however kids are just playing, Police will not come out.
- Bund would help but area needs a fence. No where else is there a skatepark in such a

prominent position close to residents.

- Bear with Parish Council a little longer. Can arrange for SDC Officer to come to house with noise level machine, need more reported incidents, item will remain on agenda, will chase up signs for 'no motorbikes', change age limit on existing sign, and install 'Dawn until Dusk' sign. Will produce plan of bund to show residents.

Thanks from the Chairman for coming to meeting.

2. Chairman declared the meeting open

3. Present

Chairman P. Beaman, Vice Chair J. Bacon, W. McCarthy, E. Holder, J. Vale, M. Redman, Mrs S. Redman, C. Rickhards, Mrs H. Wersocki.
District Councillor M. Weddell. 7 members of the public. PCSO G Johnson & Police Officer T. Hall (arrival at 7.50pm)

4. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs G. Noke, Mrs M. Woodrow, Mrs M. Bell.

5. Skatepark Issues: See Public Forum

6. 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 W. McCarthy – Planning Application No.07/02140/FUL- Non prejudicial

7. Matters Arising (*for information only*)

None.

8. Items for Discussion

Min 163 Minutes of Recreation Committee meeting for approval of order of litter bins and seating.

Proposed Cllr McCarthy that the minutes of the Recreation Committee be approved, seconded Cllr Rickhards. Voting unanimous.

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

07/02302/TPO	Mr & Mrs Tickle, 15 Riverside, Studley. - T1 oak: reduce back branch overhanging property. - Prune off epicormic growth from main stem. Objection if there are no plans to supervise work by a recognised tree surgeon.
07/02143/FUL	Mr and Mrs T. Hemming, 192 Alcester Road, Studley. Side two storey extension. No representations.
07/01728/ADV	Mitchell and Butlers Retail Ltd., Barley Mow Hotel,

Priory Square, Studley.

Element a: 1no. double sided car park directional sign with applied vinyl graphics O/A size 1200mmx800mm. Element B: 1no. twin post cube sided ttop sign House name in individual formex letters. Oval size 1400mmx880mm O/A panel size 1200mmx3000mm, height 4000mm illuminated by ground base flood light. Element C: 1no. corex poster box double sided display size AO with recruitment inserts. Non illuminated position to be confirmed. Element D: Entrance sign 18mmx890mm. Element F: 2 no. sets of individual foamex letters gold/yellow with dark red backs, illuminated. Element I: 2 no. internally illuminated s.logo sign.

Objection for the following planning reasons:

Policy DEV 1.

Not in keeping with the surrounding buildings - Listed Building opposite and the Barley Mow was once a Listed Building. Very unsightly and would spoil the general streetscene.

The Parish Council ask for the immediate removal of the sign in front of the bow window.

07/02140/FUL

Dunlop Construction, 92 Alcester Road, Studley.
Retention of 2 no. A1 retail units with conversion above to B1 use for 2 no. units with erection of 2 no. additional B1 use units to rear.
Cllr McCarthy left the room whilst this planning application was discussed.

Support for the following planning reasons:

- 1. Enhances the Village and does not detract from the attractiveness of the Village.**
- 2. Policy COM 2 with reference to change of use, will contribute to the economy of the Village.**
- 3. Policy COM 3 commercial development to meet the needs of the population.**
- 4. Policy PPG7 creation of local jobs, also in accordance with Studley Parish Plan.**

07/02183/FUL

Anthony C Lever, St Marys Parish Church, Castle Road, Studley.
Replace and relocate, one oil storage tank, remove and replace external stairway cover to cellar.
No representations.

07/02323/FUL

Ms D Summers, 30 Augustine Avenue, Studley.
Two storey domestic side extension with solar panels.
No representations.

10. Planning Decisions Received

07/01834/FUL

Mr and Mrs G Adams, 2 Station House, 98 Station Road, Studley.

Change of use from pre-school nursery to offices
(Class B1) and showroom for trade and retail outlet.

Permission with conditions 10th August 2007

07/01965/FUL Barry Stone Agent, 32 Lansdowne Road, Studley.
First floor rear extension to existing detached dwelling
Permission with conditions 16th August 2007

07/01904/TPO Mr and Mrs Adams, 6 Riverside, Studley.
Consent for Arboricultural Work.
- T1 oak: remove deadwood and reduce crown by
10 – 15%.
Consent with conditions 15th August 2007

11. Correspondence

SDC

- Min 164 Celebration of Excellence Design Award Ceremony being held on Friday 28th September 2007 at Stratford Town Hall. Extension to Studley Infant School has been awarded. District Councillors already invited. Cllr McCarthy maybe able to attend.
- Min 165 Corporate Strategy Workshop for Parish Councillors on Monday, 10th September 2007 at Greig Centre, Alcester and on Thursday, 27th September 2007 SDC Offices, Elizabeth House, Stratford.
- Min 166 Confirmation of first collection of waste on Saturday, 1st September 2007 between 10.00am and 12 noon. Cannot accept paint, oil, car batteries, fluorescent tubes, bricks and concrete blocks.
- Min 167 Reply received concerning CCTV Redditch Road. Day/night camera not suitable as in town centres without colour evidence can be questioned. Clerk to arrange meeting with Bob Yarwood on her return from leave.
- Min 168 Member Development programme run regular training courses for Members. Request if any members of Parish Council would be interested in attending relevant courses. Some have costs attached. Clerk to write and ask for training programme.

WCC

- Min 169 Environment Agency Flood Drop-in Sessions, Studley, Wednesday 12th September 2007 at Alcester War Memorial Town Hall, Henley Street 3.00pm – 8.00pm.
- Min 170 Spenal Bridge assessed by WCC and in need of replacement. Drawings attached for information and any comments can be sent to Shire Hall. Support although would have preferred weight limit. Also problem of residents encroaching onto surrounding land.

Other

- Min 171 West Midlands Regional Spatial Strategy Phase 2 Revision. Summary of Project Plan. Questionnaire can be completed on line at www.wmra.gov.uk
- Min 172 WALC: Update of Licencing Act 2003 (Legal Briefing). Copies available if required.
- Min 173 Invitation to Relate South Warwickshire's AGM on Thursday, 29th September 2007 at 6.30pm Wright Hassall Solicitors, Olympus

Avenue, Leamington Spa.

- Min 174 NALC: Consultation dates on Post Office closures. Intent by NALC that all Parish and Town Councils should be included in Consultation about proposed closures.
- Min 175 Notification from n power increase in cost of street lighting charges with effect from 1st July 2007.
- Min 176 Confirmation of order from SMP for seating. Total cost including VAT £1865.08.
- Min 177 'Claim It' initiative to encourage individuals of all ages to get help with rent and council tax. Copy for Cllr Mrs S. Redman.
- Min 178 NALC Conference and Exhibition, at Bournemouth International Centre 5th – 7th October 2007. £378.61 for weekend.

Correspondence for Circulation

- Min 179 Accounts & Audit Regulations Timing Requirements

12. Approve Accounts for Payment

Proposed Cllr Mrs S Redman that the schedule of cheques for payment be approved, seconded Cllr W. McCarthy. Voting unanimous.

039 – BT Internet Services £123.30. 40 – Severn Trent £322.00. 41 – CIT Vendor Finance £282.00. 42 – Cancelled cheque. 43 – Clement Keys £646.25. 44 – Johnsons Coaches £225.00. 45 – I W Geddes £30.00. 46 – P A Janes £254.00. 47 – Select Business Services £292.00.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, 18th September 2007

Meeting Closed 9.00pm

