

Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday 5th April 2005 at 7.30pm.

1. Public Forum

None.

2. Chairman declared the meeting open

3. Present

Chairman W. McCarthy, Vice Chair P. Beaman, M. Pittaway, S. Phipps, Mrs H. Wersocki, Mrs M. Woodrow. Apologies for late arrival from Cllrs Mrs S. Redman, M. Redman.

4. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mrs A. Wade, J. Bacon.

5. Declarations of Interest

Cllrs Mrs S. Redman, M. Redman, Planning Application No.05/00523/FUL
- Non prejudicial

6. Matters Arising

Min 347 Duke of Marlborough – Right of Way. To be discussed next month.

Min 348 Vacancy for Parish Councillor. No electors have requested a by-election therefore we may now co-opt a new member.

7. Items for Discussion

Min 1 Cllr Phipps: At present political parties inform the Parish Council of joint activities and therefore District and County Council reports are a good idea. However we are not always aware of what is happening in the Village, and clarity is required on what issues the political parties are fighting for. It would be a good idea for political parties to occasionally give a verbal report.

Recently agreed that a written report should be given by District Councillors.

Not a problem Councillors willing to report. Parish Council should be informed to get all involved.

Min 2 Re Meeting with Police concerning Anti Social Behaviour. Refer to next meeting.

Min 3 Litter picking around library area. Agreement required of remuneration and frequency of picks. Parish Council will receive £800 from WCC.

Proposed Cllr Mrs S. Redman that payment of £20 be made for initial clean up, then £20 per week to litter pick every other day (Monday, Wednesday and Friday) for a trial period to be reviewed after three months. Seconded Cllr M. Pittaway. Voting 7 for, Cllr Beaman abstained.

8. Planning Applications

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| 05/00523/FUL | Mr D. Blizzard, 79 Alcester Road, Studley.
New detached two storey dwelling.
Objection for the following planning reasons:
Access, backland development, highway safety. |
| 05/00709/FUL | M. Froggatt, 1 Mallard Road, Studley.
Erection of two storey pitched roof side extension.
No representations. |
| 05/00692/FUL | J. Musgrove, 2 Stapleton Road, Studley.
Proposed first floor pitched roof side/front extension over existing garage.
No representations. |
| 05/00643/LBC | Mr & Mrs L. McDermott, The Old Castle, Castle Road, Studley.
Restoration and alterations to rear external wall frame plus other internal window and door alterations.
Support for the following planning reasons:
Enhancing listed building, restoring back to original design. |

9. Correspondence

SDC

- Min 4 Confirmation of Notice of Election 5th May 2005 for County Councillor.
- Min 5 Supply of adhesive Dog Fouling Signs now received from SDC.
- Min 6 Illegal parking – patrols being undertaken on a rota basis. Few anomalies with Traffic Regulation Parking Orders being addressed by WCC. Clerk to write as question concerning parking on pavement not answered.
- Min 7 Confirmation of reimbursement of S136 Category B,C & D £1300.87 on 21st March 2005
- Min 8 Guidance Notes Licensing Act 2003 – copy available in Parish Office.
- Min 9 Social & Community Transport, Council committed to investing over £100,000. Indication of interest by 15th April 2005 would be appreciated.

- Min 10 SDC Local Development Framework Pre-submission Consultation on Community Involvement – representations required by 6th May 2005. Cllr Mrs Wersocki to read and report back to Parish Council.
- Min 11 Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 – copy available for reference and information. Cllr Mrs Wersocki to read and report back to Parish Council.
- Min 12 Notification of Business Office Rates £2785.20. Payment by direct debit, one of £274.20 followed by nine payments of £279.00. Clerk to look at appealing as a shared office.

WCC

- Min 13 Maintenance issues: Broken footpath, Eldorado Close arrangements have been made with Murphys to repair as soon as possible.
Inspection cover, Redditch Road has been repaired.

Other

- Min 14 Trafalgar Weekend – encourage Parish to organise Trafalgar Day lunch or party using local produce on Friday, 21st October 2005. Copy to Vicar (each church may be able to get together) and Action Studley.
- Min 15 Defra – Partnership rolling out broadband in rural communities.
- Min 16 Notice of Transfer of Licence: CRS Ltd to Michael Challacombe, Colin Weaver and Jean Earp on Monday, 9th May 2005 at 10.00am Nuneaton.
- Min 17 Dog fouling outside 54 Node Hill. Long term problem, very unpleasant. Clerk to follow up WCC to see what action can be taken about a kissing gate. Suggested that laminated sign be put up to confirm we are aware of dog fouling and offenders will be prosecuted. Clerk to contact Environmental Health and also Mrs Clatworthy to keep her informed of action being taken.
- Min 18 Street light, Crooks Lane – Lansdowne Road footpath, request for light to be turned off at 11.00pm because of problems generated by youths congregating in area. Light installed for safety reasons, photo-cell could be fitted to switch off at 12.00am until just before dawn and could be masked. Clerk to contact Bob Yarwood, WCC.
- Min 19 Inland Revenue, copy of letter to Solicitor received concerning Stamp Duty Land Tax Penalty Notice.
- Min 20 Text2Talk messaging service to support young people suffering bullying etc. Article for next Newsletter.
- Min 21 Litter, complaint received about Station Road & Brickyard Lane. Clerk to write to SDC.
- Min 22 Notification of road closure High Street, Marble Alley on Sunday, 24th April 2004 for St Georges Day parade by 1st Studley Scouts.
- Min 23 Vandalism to empty flats Eldorado Close. Confirmation from SWHA that area made safe.
- Min 24 Defra, Quality Parish Councils & Planning continued support.

Min 25 Letter of complaint about anti social behaviour in Studley. Copied for all Councillors. Every sympathy, ASBO's not working, serious problem. Also damage to Village Hall, air vent and drain pipe ripped off. Need identification for Police action. Suggestion to look at Community Wardens to patrol. Only need 30 to 40 people. Successful scheme in Worcester, Clerk to write for information. Also contact press that we are looking for volunteers and put note in next Newsletter. Discuss at next liaison meeting with Police to see what their feelings are on the subject. Clerk to write to new Inspector and invite him to Parish Council meeting to discuss our concerns and see what he can do. Also write to Michelle Johnson inviting her to become a Parish Councillor.

Correspondence for Circulation

Min 26 Country Matters magazine

Min 27 WALC Newsletter

Min 28 Local Lines Newsletter

Min 29 Quality of Life 2004

10. Approve Accounts for Payment

Proposed Cllr M. Redman that schedule of cheques for payment be approved, seconded Cllr S. Phipps. Voting unanimous.

11. Urgent Business

Delivery of Newsletters – volunteers required.

12. Chairman's Business

- a) Agreement of who speaks at Area Planning meeting.
Representative required for automatic booking. Always useful to have a Parish Council representative when we have objected.
- b) Precept up by 2.99%. Council Tax leaflet shows 22.3% the reason being that Mappleborough Green has now set up their own Parish Council. Therefore sharing the same amount of money through less people.
- c) Footpath through Foredraught. WCC has now agreed that footpath belongs to them and they will accept responsibility. Mrs Purchase can now claim from them. Clerk to pass on thanks to County Cllr Mrs McCarthy.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, 19th April 2005

Meeting Closed 8.55pm