

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday 5th August 2008 at 7.30pm

1. Chairman declared the meeting open

2. Present

Vice Chair Mrs S. Redman, J. Vale, E. Holder, Mrs M. Woodrow, Mrs A. Wade, P. Beaman, W. McCarthy, M. Redman, C. Rickhards.

3. Apologies for Absence

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 Holder – Item 7 Min 142 – non prejudicial

5. Public Forum

Cllr McCarthy: Public Open Space - maps and list of wildlife species passed to Clerk. Wildlife Trust would like to do another survey. Robin Jarman has a list of butterflies including an 'Essex Skipper'. Invitation being sent to Chairman of the District Council to official opening on 20th September 2008.

6. Matters Arising (for information only)

Min 125 Confirmation that grant application for Communications Grant Scheme has been received.

7. Items for Discussion

Min 124 Local Development Framework Core Strategy:

Discussions took place and it was agreed by the Parish Council to arrange a further meeting with the Planners.

Min 142 Allotments – further quote received for tree surgery.

Proposed Cllr McCarthy that the quote received from Warwickshire County Council for tree work at Studley Allotments for Area 1 £850.00 + VAT and Area 2 Option 2 £575.00 + VAT be approved, seconded Cllr Beaman. Voting 8 for, 1 abstention.

Min 159 Alcester Hospital: report from last meeting given by County Councillor Mrs McCarthy passed to all Councillors.

Looks like area similar to one in Stratford. Worry first step to poly clinic. Patients have sent in petition. Cllr Mrs Wade felt strongly that she did not want a poly clinic. Money is always the issue. Should be places and beds locally for people recovering from strokes or minor illnesses. Need to be by their families. Only recovery hospital left is in

Leamington. Clerk to write to PCT and ask why Studley Parish Council was not included as an objector. Stipulate again it is important to retain beds for elderly care.

8. Planning Applications for Consideration

(Cllr Beaman refrained from Voting)

/01561/FUL Mr M Kelly, 28 Knottesford Close, Studley.
Erection of double garage to front.
Objection for the following planning reason:
Spoils the streetscene on Knottesford Close.

9. Planning Decisions Received

/01337/FUL Mr Andrew Brudenell, 6 Bell Lane, Studley.
Single storey rear domestic extension.
Permission with conditions 9th July 2008

/01392/FUL The Governors of St Marys Studley C of E Junior School
Provision of cycle storage, covered area, additional car parking,
playground extension and associated works.
Permission with conditions 18th July 2008

/00508/OUT W E Green, Field Farm, Hardwick Lane, Studley.
Erection of agricultural workers dwelling.
Refused 16th July 2008

10. Correspondence

SDC

- Min 160 Appeal decision received for land fronting Redditch Road, Studley for proposed development of five 2 bedroomed houses and ten apartments has been dismissed.
- Min 161 Delay in some areas of wheelie bin supply. Already received in Studley.
- Min 162 Barley Mow Roundabout. Improvement to signage and removal of some of the signs on roundabout itself to improve the look of the island.
- Min 163 Code of Conduct and the work of the Standards & Ethics Committee. Subject to sufficient interest proposing 4 training sessions for Parish Councillors between September & November 2008. Clerk to write and suggest Studley Village Hall as a venue.
- Min 164 BT proposals to remove public payphones in Stratford-on-Avon District. Representations by Friday, 29th August 2008. To be discussed at next meeting.

WCC

- Min 165 Speed Limit Review A435 southern side of its junction with Toms Town Lane to the northern side of junction with A448 Bromsgrove Road at Sernal Ash, a distance of 846 metres, proposed 30mph speed limit.
- Min 166 Waymarking public rights of way – new discs and promoted routes. It is not WCC's intention to carry out wholesale re-waymarking but will be making the change gradually as and when they visit paths or carry out works. As part of next stage of the review information to be

gathered from local communities and path groups about the promoted routes in their local areas. Questionnaire to be completed.

Min 167 Tree Warden Scheme new co-ordinator Iain Clark. Diary of events received. To be discussed at next meeting.

Other

Min 168 Peter Tedd – Village Issues about Aldi site, empty shops, traffic problems and why no speed camera on Birmingham Road. Clerk has already replied.

Min 169 Query re new wheelie bins causing an accident. Reply received from Rob Weeks states that as long as residents and collection crews have acted reasonably there is little likelihood of a successful legal challenge, but crews need reminding of their responsibility to return bins into a safe position.

Min 170 Lee Hickinbottom re payment for Brickyard Lane Recreation Ground for last season. Has purchased a line marking machine in lieu of rent. Clerk has since been in contact with the Club and they will be paying the fees for 2008 season when they are in a financial position to do so.

Min 171 West Midlands Regional Assembly meeting 9th July 2008 re Post Office closures. No future closure programme planned however current Government subsidy stops 20th October 2011. Government will be seeking for local authorities to take a more active role.

Min 172 NALC – Government Empowerment White Paper published 9th July 2008 which highlights the key points for Parish & Town Councils and NALC Legal Briefing on The Power of the Promotion of Economic, Social or Environmental Well Being which will be very useful and a valuable power for Parish Councils.

Min 173 Studley High School Christmas Fayre Saturday, 15th November between 10.00am and 2.00pm. Clerk to write that Parish Council would like a stall to be manned by the Chairman and Vice Chairman.

Correspondence for Circulation

Min 174 Focus on Civic Pride to help boost Studley

Min 175 Charitymatters Newsletter

Min 176 Speaking Out news magazine for West Midlands Regional Assembly

Min 177 Purple The Magazine of Breakthrough Breast Cancer

11. Approve Accounts for Payment

Cllr Vale left the room whilst the cheques were being signed.

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

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, 19th August 2008