

Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on 6th October 2015 at 6.45pm.

1. Chairman declared the meeting open.

Present

Chairman Cllr P Beaman, Cllr J Bacon, Cllr A Smith, Cllr Mrs M Rickhards, Cllr Mrs S Crofts, Cllr Mrs S Redman, Cllr E Holder, Cllr Mrs J Beard, Cllr B Dixon, Cllr C Summers, Cllr Mrs Karen Brown & Cllr Mrs M Woodrow

In attendance

Parish Clerk Mrs L Gailey, District Cllr J Kerridge, 1 member of press & 1 member of public

Apologies for Absence.

Mrs L Stanton (Holiday)

3. 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 7 August 2012 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.

Item 5 – Cllrs E Holder, P Beaman, Mrs S Crofts & Mrs S Redman

Item 8 (iii) - Cllrs B Dixon, Mrs K Somner-Brown, Mrs M Rickhards & Mrs S Redman

Item 8 (v) - Cllrs P Beaman & Mrs S Redman

4. To consider excluding press and public from the next item on the agenda and move into confidential session.

Proposed Cllr P Beaman, seconded Cllr Mrs S Redman, voting unanimous to exclude press and public from the next item on the agenda and move into confidential session.

5. Min: 81 Studley Sports and Social Club (Confidential session)

6. Public Forum

There were none.

7. Matters Arising (for information only)

There were none.

8. Items for Discussion

Min: 82 Draft Policy on Petitions

Clerk to send out draft policy to all Councillors and put on agenda for next meeting.

Min: 83 Annual Return – External Auditors Certificate

Clerk reported that the Annual Return had been successfully concluded.

Min: 84 Public Consultation for Burial Rules and Regulations

Discussion took place on format of survey taking into account cost of a survey and ensuring that all residents were given the opportunity to be able to respond

Proposed Cllr Mrs S Crofts, seconded Cllr Mrs S Redman that a full independent survey takes place of all residents on the electoral role and run by Stratford District Council in which the Parish Council takes no part in order to ensure a fair result.

Voting as follows:-

For – Cllrs Mrs S Crofts, Mrs M Rickhards, Mrs S Redman, Mrs M Woodrow and P Beaman.

Against – Cllrs C Summers, Mrs K Somner-Brown, B Dixon, Mrs IJ Beard, A Smith, E Holder & J Bacon

Motion fails.

Proposed Cllr J Bacon, seconded Cllr Mrs K Somner-Brown that Council looks at an alternative and cheaper way of surveying residents by issuing a survey form to each household in Studley.

Voting as follows:-

For - Cllrs J Bacon, E Holder, Mrs M Woodrow, A Smith, Mrs IJ Beard, B Dixon, C Summers and Mrs K Somner-Brown

Against - Cllr P Beaman

Abstain - Cllrs Mrs S Redman, Mrs M Rickhards & Mrs S Crofts

Motion succeeds. Clerk to obtain a quote for printing of 2500 forms and delivery costs.

Min: 85 Purchase and installation of night vision camera to cover skate park.

Following repeated instances of graffiti on skatepark which is costly to remove a quote was obtained to install a night vision camera. Cllr P Beaman left the room during this item.

Proposed Cllr B Dixon, seconded Cllr A Smith, voting 11 in favour and 1 abstention (PB) to purchase and install camera as per quote plus 2 signs.

Min: 86 Parking on Cloisters Green

Cllr C Summers reported that a vehicle is being parked on the green space known as Cloisters Green.

Proposed Cllr C Summers, seconded Cllr E Holder, voting unanimous that Cllr Holder would contact SDC to ascertain ownership of the vehicle and then a letter could be sent informing owner that parking on Cloisters Green is prohibited.

Min: 87 Additional Assistance for Studley in Bloom (SIB)

Studley in Bloom won the Gold Award for the fifth year running in the Heart of England in Bloom Awards and Category Winner for third year. They have also been nominated for the national 2016 Britain in Bloom Awards. Cllr Dixon commented on the beautiful flower displays and the help SIB had given to the annual flower show and commented that as SIB will be going to a higher level they would need more support. Cllr P Beaman agreed that they would and Council would look at what additional assistance they could provide.

Proposed Cllr P Beaman, seconded Cllr B Dixon, voting unanimous that the Clerk would write to SIB on behalf of the Parish Council congratulating them on their outstanding achievement and confirming Council's continuing support.

9. Planning Applications for consideration

15/03200/COUQ: Mr B Green, Field Farm, Hardwick Lane, Studley

Proposed prior approval for the change of use of one agricultural building to three dwellings under Class Q (a)

Proposed Cllr A Smith, seconded Cllr B Dixon, Voting 8 in favour, 1 against & 3 abstentions to support the application on the following grounds:- satisfies criteria for permitted development appertaining to redundant farm buildings.

15/03358/FUL: Mr Tom Hand, 27 Corbizum Avenue, Studley

Proposed single storey wrap around extension to front, side and rear.

Proposed Cllr E Holder, seconded Cllr A Smith, voting unanimous for No Representation.

15/02826/VARY: Mr P Smith, Land on Birmingham Road, Studley

Proposed variation to condition 1 of planning permission 13/02120/REM for the Application for approval of reserved matters relating to access, appearance, layout, scale and landscaping for the erection of local market housing (maximum of 6 dwellings) in association with outline planning permission 12/02528/OUT to allow for the erection of a garage to serve plot 1 and conversion of the integral garage of Plot 1 to study and the insertion of an additional window in the north facing elevation.

Proposed Cllr E Holder, seconded Cllr J Bacon, voting unanimous for No Representation.

10. Planning Decisions Received

15/01435/FUL: The Bug in the Blanket, Castle Farm, Studley

Conversion of single storey agricultural building to no.1 dwelling and associated works to facilitate conversion.

Permission with Conditions.

15/01435/LBC: The Bug in the Blanket, Castle Farm, Studley

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Consent Granted with Conditions

15/02901/FUL: Ms Sue Hemming, 2 Park Avenue, Studley

Proposed single storey rear extension.

Permission with Conditions.

11. Notification of Planning Appeals & Planning Committee Meeting

There were none

12. District, County Council & Delegate Reports.

Cllr J Kerridge reported that the vote on the West Midlands Combined Authority Vote will take place at Stratford District Council on 12th October 2015.

13. Correspondence & Circulation

Min:88 Email from Tricia Wellings EYP Solutions CIC

Requesting a meeting with the Parish Council to discuss an interest she has in regenerating the Studley Centre.

Proposed Cllr P Beaman, seconded Cllr E Holder, voting unanimous that Clerk to write to thank Ms Wellings for her letter and declining a meeting at this time due to other options under discussion which the Parish Council already supports.

Min: 89 Letter from Studley In Bloom

Letter dated 20th September 2015 thanking the Parish Council for the annual grant and informing Council about the Gold Award. It was agreed that the Clerk would write a letter in response on behalf of the Parish Council.

Min:90 Alcester North Safer Neighbourhood Team Community Newsletter

Min:91 The National Association of Local Councils – Autumn 2015

14. Approved Accounts for payment.

Date 6 Oct 2015	Name	Chq no	Amount £
	Mrs L Stanton – Reimburse sundries for awards evening	801	175.18
	Came & Co – Annual Insurance	802	4277.27
	Cancelled	803	-
	Mr K Ward – Town Crier Services awards evening	804	75.00
	Mrs L Stanton – Reimburse sundries for awards evening	805	300.19
	Mrs L Gailey – Sundries for awards evening	806	51.00
	Ridgeway Catering – Awards evening	807	2142.00
	Biffa Municipal – Bulky Waste	808	335.81
	Redditch Skip Hire	809	200.40
	Studley Village Hall – Reimburse for computer equipment	810	356.66
	SDC – Election Costs	811	898.42
	GS Adams – 2 replacement streetlights & September 15 maintenance charge	812	3155.65
	Nicholas Hancox Solicitor – Legal Fees	813	4816.14
	Grant Thornton – Audit of accounts fee	814	480.00

	Bromsgrove & Redditch Trophies – Awards evening	815	326.48
	Mr J Vale – Grounds maintenance September 15	816	1332.00
	P Janes – Litter pick month of September 15	817	370.00
	P Janes – various works as per playground inspection report	817	1703.00
	P Janes – Remove, repair & replace roundabout in Recreation Ground	817	270.00
	P Janes –Refurbish and refit Parish Council Bench and install metal bench in Cemetery	817	870.00

Proposed Cllr P Beaman,seconded Cllr Mrs S Crofts, voting unanimousfor theschedule of cheques be approved and signed.

15) Date of the next Parish Council Meeting:20th October 2015

Meeting closed 9.25 pm