

## Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> December 2011 at 7.30pm.

### 1. Present

Chairman P. Beaman, Mrs S Redman, A. Smith, J. Bacon, Mrs A Wade, E Holder, M Redman

### 2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received and noted from:

Cllr Mrs M Woodrow – Personal, Cllr King – illness, Cllr Rickhards - illness

### 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 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 Beaman - Accounts, personal interest

### 4. Public Forum

Mike Rothery raised concerns about the badly cracked walkway around the War Memorial. He would like to see it block paved the cost of which would be approx £2500.00. He would not like to see tarmac used as it would be cosmetic and out keeping with adjacent block paving. Cllr Redman will make sure the matter is raised at the British Legion Meeting on 11 January 2012 to see what help could be given. The Parish Council thanked Mr Rothery for work already done. To be discussed under correspondence.

### Matters Arising (*for information only*)

Min 223 STUD1- an acknowledgment has been received from SDC that the comments made by the Parish Council had been forwarded to the developers

Min 240 Play Area Inspections – Digley Associates have confirmed that they will contact the Parish Council in January 2012 to arrange the inspection visit and have confirmed the cost will be £40.00 + VAT.

Min 376 Community Computers for Studley Library – WCC have confirmed that the computers should be available before Christmas. Cllr Rickhards has agreed to collect them.

## 5. Items for Discussion

Min 250 Approval of Precept 2012-2013.

£600.00 has been withdrawn from the Village Hall Grant to bring down the increase in the Precept to under 3%.

**Proposed: Cllr Beaman that Precept be accepted**

**with amendment Seconded: Cllr M Redman. Voting Unanimous**

Min 251 The formal offer for unmetered electricity connection at Eldorado Close and Grays Road has been received. 2 new columns have already been approved at a cost of £1452.00 + VAT.

Min 252 Street Lighting – A new street light has been requested in Crendon Close. The cost is £1422.00 for connection. Funds are available and no objections have been received from residents as to the siting of the light.

**Proposed: Cllr Beaman. Seconded: Cllr Mrs Redman.**

**Voting Unanimous.**

Min 225 Cllr Bacon attended the CCTV meeting on 21 November 2011. Merging with Warwick was discounted. 31 cameras in car parks belong to Stratford District Council. Seeking a contribution of £5770.00 from Studley Parish Council to fund 2 additional staff to monitor cameras. Cllr Mrs S Redman raised concern that this cost would increase year on year as paying wages for 2 additional staff and that the Parish Council shouldn't be picking up cost of whatever services are being reduced. A further meeting to be held in January 2012 which Cllr Bacon will attend. SPC prepared to put in £1000.00. At this time SPC not able to add further £5000.00 to precept and will review at a later time in light of further meetings or options.

**Proposed: Cllr Mrs S Redman.**

**Seconded: Cllr Mrs A Wade. Voting unanimous.**

Min 253 Residents have requested a grit bin in Crendon Close right hand side at a cost of £141.05.

**Proposed: Cllr Beaman that a bin should be ordered.**

**Seconded: Cllr Holder. Voting unanimous.**

Min 254 Community Budgeting – to be discussed at next meeting.

Min 376 Cllr Rickhards asked if the Parish Council was prepared to present a motion to WCC to urge them to make sure Library Building does not become decrepit and derelict. Parish Clerk has already written to portfolio holder and is awaiting a reply. Parish Clerk to send further letter and copy to Head of Property Services.

Cllr Beaman reported that there will be a meeting of Library

volunteers on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec 2012 at 6.30pm. The CITA funding application has been turned down but can be resubmitted.

## **6. Planning Applications for Consideration**

11/02471/FUL      Shakespeare Farms Ltd, The Wigs, Castle Farm, Studley  
Proposed installation of roof mounted solar PV panels on  
existing self catered holiday accommodation.  
**No Representation.**

## **7. Planning Decisions Received - None**

## **8. Correspondence**

### **SDC**

Min 255 Stratford Town Visitor Survey results can be viewed at  
[www.discover-stratford.com/partner-resources.cfm](http://www.discover-stratford.com/partner-resources.cfm)

### **WCC**

Min 256 Warwickshire Libraries Opening Hours Consultation runs from  
14 Nov 2011 to 11 Dec 2011. Paper Surveys are available in all  
libraries or can be completed on line at  
[www.warwickshire.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/libraries)

Min 257 The Speed Aware scheme has now been up and running for seven  
months and so far has successfully worked with 11 Parish Councils  
undertaking covert and overt speed surveys, using Smiley SID  
signs to raise awareness of speeding issues, installing anti  
speeding posters and temporary fixed flashing signs. At the end of  
the campaign each Parish Council will receive a report of findings  
and if necessary, recommendations as to what steps can be taken  
to help address the speeding problem.

### **Other**

Min 258 Warwickshire County Council and closer working with Parish and  
Town Councils. WCC has not proposed any specific scheme and is  
seeking views from Parish Councils

Min 259 A further update on The Localism Bill has been received. The  
National Assoc is lobbying for the Bill to ensure that local councils  
will have the opportunity to play a greater role at community and  
neighbourhood level.

Min 260 Local Councils are encouraged to respond to the current  
consultation on the Community Infrastructure Levy – copies  
circulated to Councillors.

Min 261 Local Councils are encouraged to respond to the current  
consultation on Neighbourhood Planning Regulations – copies  
circulated to Councillors

Min 262 Studley Planters on Guardrail – A sensible compromise has been achieved on this issue with a reduction in number of planters rather than complete removal

Min 263 Victim Support – Appeal for Funds. The Parish Council do not offer financial support to National Organisations.

Min 264 Vitalise – Appeal for Funds. The Parish Council do not offer financial support to National Organisations

Min 265 War Memorial – Work on the walkway surrounding the memorial needs to be carried out but funds are not available to cover the full costs. Parish Clerk to find out if a grant could be obtained from The War Graves Commission and War Memorial Trust. Propose £500.00 left in SPC Grants for this year be made available and £500.00 from next years budget to match any funding secured.  
**Proposed: Cllr Mrs S Redman. Seconded: Cllr Mrs A Wade. Voting unanimous.**

Min 266 SPC has received a thank you from Studley Community First Responders for the support and contribution given to enable them purchase equipment that is vital to them to continue with their work within the local community.

### **Correspondence for Circulation**

Min 267 Transport and Highways Update

Min 268 WALC Newsletter

Min 269 WCC Press Releases;-

- County Staff to move into Elizabeth House
- Keep Warm
- The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Social Club
- Tell Us Once Service
- Warwickshire Recycling
- Bodies found under patio (archaeological)
- Childrens Services
- District Youngsters honoured

Min 270 Parish Matters Newsletter

Min 271 Christmas Visit to Holme Lacy House Hotel, Herefordshire

Min 272 Primary Gritting Routes in Warwickshire

**9. Approve Accounts for Payment**

**Proposed: Cllr Mrs S Redman that the schedule of cheques for payment be approved, Seconded Cllr Holder. Voting 6 for and 1 abstention**

**Direct Debits**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Amount Paid</b>
01.12.11	BT	£107.96

**Cheques**

<b>Cheque Number</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Amount Paid</b>
914	Warks Training P/Ship	£105.00
915	M Millinchip	£100.00
916	Clarity Copiers Ltd	£98.93
917	G Gardner	£67.50
918	G S Adams	£2469.60
919	I Geddes	£30.53
920	PA Janes	£320.00
921	Central Networks	£1452.00
922	Central Networks	£1422.00

**The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday 20th December 2011**

**Meeting closed 9.00pm**

