

Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held in the Main Hall, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday, 7th May 2013 at 6:30pm

1. Present

Chairman P Beaman, Vice-Chair Mrs S Redman, J Bacon, J Ingram, Mrs A Wade, A Smith, C Rickhards, Mrs M Woodrow, Ms M Tandy, E Holder, M Redman
Mrs D Mitchell, Studley Parish Lands Charities.
Mrs G Liebthal, Studley in Bloom
Mr J Bacon, Studley Community Library
11 members of the public.

2. Apologies

Cllrs J King, Mrs H Wright, Clerk, Mrs L Gailey & Mrs J Wallin

3. Welcome from the Chairman to everyone, thank you for attending.

4. Past Chairman's report read out by Cllr Beaman.

5. Presentation of Accounts, Studley Parish Lands Charity given by Mrs D Mitchell.

Studley Parish Lands Charity continues to maximise their investments to enable them to continue to increase their funds to cover grants to residents of both Studley and Mappleborough Green. This continues to be an important function of the charity in these difficult economic times.

The following grants were given out in 2012.

- £50 educational grant given to a young lady to help fund a volunteering project for children with disabilities in South Africa.
- £500 donated to a young lady to help with her funding as a student youth worker with the Arden Marches Church group.
- The usual grants were made to Studley Parish Church and Mappleborough Green Parish Church.
- Studley Infant School and St. Mary's RC school continue to receive educational grants.
- Four Acres Care Home received a grant of £50 and The Woodlands and Field View care facilities received baskets of fruit which were very well received.
- A number of small educational grants were given out as well as those in homes for the handicapped.
- At Christmas elderly residents received their usual monetary grant as well as those in care homes. A copy of the accounts was handed to the Assistant Clerk.

Thank you from the Chairman to Mrs Mitchell and to all the Trustees for their hard work.

6. Presentation of report, Studley Village Hall Management given by Mr Paul Beaman.

The Chairman's Report was read out by Mr Paul Beaman and a copy handed to Assistant Clerk. Mr Beaman reported that the Village Hall continued to grow and has attracted a much wider user base. The feedback from the majority of users comment on what a

wonderful facility for the community of Studley.

7. Presentation of report, Studley Improvement Partnership given by Mr Paul Beaman.

Mr Paul Beaman read out the Survey Results of Studley Parish Plan that was commissioned in the summer of 2012. Copies of report were circulated to all members of public present.

8. Presentation of report, Studley in Bloom given by Mrs Gillian Liebthal.

Mrs Liebthal reported that they had a very good year as they won Gold for Studley in the Heart of England in Bloom for 2012. They continue to receive a donation from Studley Parish Council unfortunately due to the cuts they no longer receive any funding from Stratford District Council.

The projects for 2013 will be growing vegetables in a small plot on Redditch Road Allotment, produce from the allotment will be donated to Escape Community for their cooking sessions in the Community Youth Centre and working with residents of Abbeyfields. Copy of report handed to Assistant Clerk.

Thank you from Chairman to all members of Studley in Bloom for their hard work.

9. Presentation of report, Studley Community Library given by Mr Jim Bacon.

Studley Community Library has been in operation since April 2012. The Community Library continues to receive support from Warwickshire Library. Studley Library is run solely by volunteers. Besides the loan of books, large print books, spoken word CDs and DVDs the library has the facilities for 3 internet enabled computers for library users. The library also serves as an information centre.

The following are some of the activities that the Studley Community Library has implemented since its opening in April 2012.

- Fortnightly story time for children from St.Mary's Roman Catholic school.
- Visit from Studley Children's Centre families during National Story Telling week.
- Agatha Christie / Quiz Night
- Free loan of DVD to children during the half term holidays.
- Summer Reading Scheme for children.
- The Bookstart Bear Club for under 5s
- Organised talks of local authors.

10. Questions from the public

None

Meeting ended 7:00pm