

## Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> August 2011 at 7.30pm.

### 1. Chairman declared the meeting open

### 2. Present

Chairman P. Beaman, Vice Chair Mrs S. Redman, E. Holder, Mrs A. Wade, J. King, C. Rickhards, N. Green, M. Redman, Mrs M. Woodrow, J. Bacon.  
District Councillor Mrs H. Wright.  
18 members of the public.

### 3. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received and noted from:  
Cllr A. Smith – holiday  
Cllr Mrs Gaize - personal

### 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 Beaman Item 16 Accounts – personal interest  
Item 9 min 376 Studley Library – personal interest

Cllr Rickhards Item 9 min 376 Studley Library – personal interest

### 5. Presentation of Annual Village Tidy Awards

Chairman: it has been another wonderful year, the Village looks good and all the hard work is very much appreciated.  
The trophies were presented by the Chairman.  
Thank you to everyone for attending and once again thank you for all the hard work.

### 6. Public Forum

Cllr Mrs Wade: has been asked by members of the community to pass on congratulations and thanks to the Parish Council for the excellent condition of the children's play area and skatepark and compliments to the litter picker for doing a good job.

Cllr M. Redman: yesterday there was a lot of litter around the children's play area and there are not any litter bins. This needs addressing.  
There were three bins which have been systematically destroyed by vandals, the last one being set on fire two weeks ago. To be discussed at next meeting.  
Cllr Mrs Wright: together with Cllr Rickhards put in an application for a challenge group to come to Studley. The group, aged 16 to 18 years old, will be participating in a community activity making a DVD of the heritage trail with a commentary which can also be put on our website. Meeting two weeks ago to agree the programme. The young people are a credit to their parents, they were very impressive.  
Thanks to Cllr Bacon for outlining the trail.

**7. To Pass the Minutes of the Last Meeting**

The minutes were received, approved and signed by the Chairman.

**8. Matters Arising (*for information only*)**

None.

**9. Items for Discussion**

Min 376 Studley Library Bid

Chairman: it is a joint bid from the Parish Council and the Village Hall Management Committee, gives more credence. Now completed for Cllr Rickhards to hand in to WCC.

Met with IT Service from County who have agreed to pay for IT connections up to £500 pa which will help reduce costs. We can have the library computers, the software will be removed but windows/explorer to remain and hardware will be linked to Village Hall system. Should have three computers plus a spare which will be networked to provide free usage with restrictions and they will be situated where they can be monitored.

Cllr Rickhards had a constructive meeting with WCC library staff.

Would like to thank Cllr Mrs Wade for her passion and help.

It has been agreed that moving costs will be absorbed in the decommissioning.

All bids have to be in by Friday then discussions will take place concerning number of books. Will need to plan the room for shelves.

Meeting took place last week with volunteers. Some missed the meeting as they did not know where it was being held. Included in bid is cost for additional signage both inside and outside Village Hall.

Cllr Beaman to write to MP who will then write a letter of support.

Application forms for volunteers are available on the website and in the Village Hall.

Min 141 Diamond Jubilee Celebration: need to move forward as time flies.

Meeting of sub committee (Cllrs Mrs Wright, Beaman & Green) to be arranged. Letters to be sent out to all groups & organisations. Location

required for bonfire beacon, Cllr Mrs Redman and M. Redman to ask if SSSC can be used on Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> July 2012.

#### 10. Planning Applications for Consideration

None.

#### 11. Planning Decisions Received

11/00706/VARY      Mr J. Gibson, The Livery, Clarkes Green, Studley.  
Removal of condition 2 of previous planning  
permission 09/01555/FUL concerning localised  
widening.  
***Planning permission granted 29<sup>th</sup> July 2011***

#### 12. District and County Council Reports

##### **District Council Report given by Cllr Mrs Wright**

Very important issue – housing and employment numbers for the Local Government Framework have been delivered and the Leader of the Council has decided not to make them public. We need to know as this could impact on Studley. Will be challenging this decision as it is very important. There is no legal reason. Will keep the Parish Council informed.

Cllr Holder: all residents are being informed of recycling changes.

##### **County Council Report given by Cllr Rickhards**

##### **Copy circulated to all Councillors**

Summary:

- Various grants are currently available – applications invited by 29<sup>th</sup> September 2011.
- **Community Development Fund** – maximum of £3k per project to be spent within 12 months and to be community or voluntary organisation led. Must be supported by Warwickshire County Councillor.
- **Members' Fund** – up to maximum of £1k per Electoral Division. No more than two awards per division for one off activities or projects and must address community needs. Further details available Stratford Area Office tel.no.01789 260135 or e mail [stratford@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:stratford@warwickshire.gov.uk)
- **Big Society Fund** – up to £125k for the whole of the County – no specific limit for each bid for the support of community provision of public services e.g. libraries. Contact Nick Gower Johnson tel.no.01926 412053 or download application form [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/grants](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/grants) Deadline 16<sup>th</sup> September 2011.
- **Traffic** – met with District Councillors in relation to the Car Boot Sale and other traffic and parking issues. Informed by Officers that there would be a Consultation document on affected roads in September – to be posted

to residents affect. Resident's meeting in October to report the results of the Consultation.

- **Youth Service** – Studley Youth Club is now almost certain to be the 'hub' for youth services across Stratford District. Decision has been influenced by the Place Project which has been continuing over the past few months. One of the themes has been the need to try to move towards more integration of services relating to the problems of young people which is something Cllr Rickhards thinks the Youth Centre can try and pursue in the future.
- **Library** – Final business case to be submitted by 19<sup>th</sup> August 2011. Final decision October. Had a meeting with Officers to get an assurance that costs of removing stock to the Village Hall would not be allowed to stall the Community Library Project. Meeting of potential volunteers recently held to keep them informed.
- **Area Committees** – to be retained for the moment.

### 13. Correspondence

#### SDC

Min 151 SDC's current ground maintenance contract with Veolia will end in 20 months. Work has now started on a re-procurement to consider the new contract from April 2013 onwards. As part of consultation exercise seeking Parish Council's views on the services provided and what we would like to see as part of the future provision. The contract currently provides the following services for Studley:

- i) maintenance of all grass and vegetation on District Council owned land;
- ii) cutting of highway verges within the Parish boundaries (i.e. inside 30mph road signs) and
- iii) litter picking of all recreational areas and open spaces owned by the District Council in our Parish.

Views required by 12<sup>th</sup> September 2011. Following lengthy discussion it was agreed to put this item on the next agenda to give Councillor's time to consider all areas involved.

#### WCC

None.

#### Other

Min 152 Response received from Ian Inglesant, Paramedic explaining how Studley First Responder Scheme is financed. The Team at Studley are doing a fabulous job of supporting their Community as well as running an excellent Scheme and fundraising. They are going from strength to strength and have some brilliant plans. Thanks to the

Parish Council for the support we are giving them to help aid its continued success.

Cllr King is working with them to get a précis of their aspirations and to try and help get a fully signed working vehicle.

The Parish Council will continue to give support wherever possible.

- Min 153 E mail received via Cllr Beaman from resident congratulating Studley in Bloom on a fantastic job making the Village so flowery, clean, neat and tidy. However there is one 'black spot' in the Millennium Garden where there are no litter bins. Considers it important to have bins in this location to encourage park users to dispose of their litter in a responsible manner. Already agreed that litter bins will be discussed at the next meeting.

#### **Correspondence for Circulation**

Min 154 WCC press release: New Newsroom Launched

Min 155 WCC press release: Warwickshire residents will have a bigger say in health and care services

Min 156 SLCC Training and Events Guide

Min 157 Destination News (Stratford-on-Avon District)

Min 158 'Community Payback' information & workshops for 'Skills for Community Leadership'

Min 159 WCC press release: Waterside shortlisted for national award

Min 160 WCC press release: New funding available for Warwickshire's Community Groups

#### **14. Committee Reports**

None.

#### **15. Delegates Reports**

Youth Club report given by Cllr Holder: Rob McCluskey is taking early retirement and leaving in October. Anna Stowe will return to Studley. When everything is settled will be run by different Committee with District or County Councillor as Chairman.

Cllr Rickhards: Need to integrate more services for young people with broader spectrum. Now a Centre of Excellence and will extend youth services and include more organisations. Place Project has been instrumental in saving Studley Youth Club. Current Management Committee should be informed.

#### **16. Approve Accounts for Payment**

Cllr Beaman left the room during this item.

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

858 – Mrs D E Mitchell £1353.70. 859 Mrs S Perks £516.77.

860 – G S Adams £538.20. 861 – A Dyer £100.00.

862 – Redditch Skip Hire £183.60. 863 – Inland Revenue £736.09.  
864 – L Reddington-Blyth £70.00.

**The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup>  
September 2011**

**Meeting closed 8.45pm**

*Signed: Chairman .....*