

Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on 17th February 2015 at 7:30 pm.

1. Chairman declared the meeting open.

Present

Chairman Cllr J Ingram, Vice- Chairman Mrs M Rickhards, Cllr Mrs S Redman, Cllr Mrs S Crofts, Cllr A Smith, Cllr P Beaman, Cllr M Redman , Cllr Mrs M Woodrow & Cllr J Bacon

In attendance

Parish Clerk Mrs L Gailey, Assistant Clerk Mrs L Stanton, District Councillor Mrs H Wright, County Cllr C Rickhards, Mr Spencer Colquitt & 4 members of public.

2. Apologies for Absence.- There were none

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.

Cllr P Beaman - Item 16 payment to employer.

4. Public Forum

- I. Cllr H Wright has informed Council that she has made her comment for planning application 15/00335/FUL.
- II. Mr C Summers made representation about Public Forum. He would like the Council to move the Public Forum till after item of discussion have been debated by the Parish Council so that the public present at the meeting can comment on the items that have been debated.
Cllr J Ingram explained that the Public Forum was there for residents to bring their concerns to the Council and decisions will be made by the Council if the items need to be included in the following meeting agenda for debate.
Cllr J Bacon informed the Chairman that all Councillors will take into account the views and opinions of the public when the debate takes place.
- III. Mr B Dixon would like to see the path improved between the church and the Parish Council cemetery. Cllr J Ingram would refer the matter to the burial committee.

5. Assets of Community Value- Revd. D Silvester- (Rector, Arden Marches Group of Parishes

Father Silvester was not able to attend the meeting due to an emergency. Cllr C Rickhards has requested that the Parish Council to still proceed with the Assets of Community Value. This will stop County Council from offering the property to other interested parties.

Proposed Cllr P Beaman, seconded Cllr T O'Hanlon, voting unanimous to complete Assets of Community Value and submission of the form to register the Parish Council interest.

6. CAB Project 'Reach Out and Help' – Mr Spencer Colquitt

Mr Colquitt showed a short film and power point presentation on the new project to the Council.

7. To Pass minutes of the last meeting

- 20th January 2015
Proposed Cllr P Beaman, seconded Cllr Mrs S Redman, voting 10 for and 1 abstention minutes of the 20th January 2015 to be signed by Chairman as true record of the meeting as published.
- 3rd February 2015
Proposed Cllr P Beaman, seconded Cllr Mrs S Redman, voting 10 for and 1 abstention the minutes of the 3rd February 2015 to be signed by Chairman as true records of the meeting as published.

8. Matters Arising (for information only)

Min: 160 Community Resolution Order update- Vandalism in Children's Play Area in Crooks Lane.- The police have manage to recover £300.00 from the youths that caused the damaged due to film footage handed in to the Police.

9. Items for Discussion

Min: 161 Consultation to use the Sustainable Community Act (SCA) to challenge RBC Plan 4.
Proposed Cllr P Beaman, seconded Cllr A Smith voting unanimous to move forward with the Consultation with the residents and have the Council support for using the SCA to challenge RBC Plan 4.

Min: 162 Co-op site update- District Cllr Mrs H Wright will be asking SDC for a compulsory purchased of the land. District Cllr Mrs H Wright requested a member of the Parish Council to attend the meeting with her on the 27th March to discussed what can be done to the site and to explain to SDC that the appearance of the boarded site for several years has damaging effect on travellers passing through the district as well as Studley.

Min: 157 Approval of Parish Plan- Cllr J Ingram thanked everyone for their contribution for the Parish Plan and particularly Cllr T O'Hanlon for setting out the document. Cllr T O'Hanlon to submit final draft to Parish Office once all spell checks have been completed.

Proposed Cllr P Beaman, seconded Cllr J Ingram, voting unanimous to sign off the Parish Plan subject to consultation with SDC and WCC.

10. Planning Application for consideration

14/03180/FUL: Vodafone Ltd, Poplar Industrial Estate, Redditch Road, Studley

Proposed replacement of existing monopole supporting 6 nos antennas, relocation of transmission dish; and associated ancillary development

Proposed Cllr P Beaman, seconded Cllr J Bacon, voting 10 for and 1 abstention to have No Representation.

15/00236/FUL: Creative Video Production Ltd, Priory Mill, Castle Road, Studley, B80 7AA

Proposed revised car parking layout, (including an increase in the number of spaces approved under 07/01175/FUL), landscaping and provision of additional hard standing adjacent Castle Road, (Retrospective)

Proposed Cllr P Beaman, seconded Cllr A Smith, voting 10 for and 1 abstention to support base on the following;

- **Car parking should be constructed with a permeable surface.**

11. Planning Decisions Received

14/03228/OUT: Mr Steven Wiseman, 91- 95 Alcester Road, Studley, Warwickshire, B80 7NJ
Proposed demolition of existing building (shop & office) and construction of three 2-bed, 2 storey homes complete with dedicated off- road parking and rear garden (outline application with some matters reserved).

Decision: Outline Permission

Proposed Cllr P Beaman, seconded Cllr E Holder, voting unanimous that the Parish Council are consulted on the final details and to have the construction management plan discussed with Parish Council.

12. Notification of Planning Appeals & Planning Committee Meeting

There were none

13. District, County Council & Delegate Reports.

County Cllr C Rickhards report;

I. Budget

- £4 million to escalate to upgrade street lighting to LED
- £3 million for 'School Safety Zone- 20mph limits outside schools
- £4.7 million to match investment from BDUK to extend the coverage of Superfast Broadband.
- Reconfiguration of Alcester Fire Station to enable the Day Crew Plus System to be properly facilitated by September 2015
- There will be ongoing cuts or increased charges in Social Care and in Learning and Achievement.
- Increase charges in School Transport.

II. Safety Campaign- High Street, Studley

- A second school crossing patrol and railings have been secured outside the Community Infant School.

III. Parking restriction- Studley Car Boot Sale

- There will be a consultation on another proposed scheme for Sunday only 8 am to 12 noon parking restrictions in area adjacent to Studley Car Boot Sale.
- Cllr C Rickhards will be pursuing various proposal for road safety and parking measures at several points.

IV. Studley Centre

- The Education Dept. at WDC will not be requiring the centre for Special Education Needs. Therefore the Physical Assets will now be contacting Churches Together Group to enter in to a business negotiation for the possible sale of the Centre.

District Cllr Mrs H Wright report;

I. Corporate Strategy 2015/2016

- This comprises an overall vision for the Council and the identification of three specific objectives;
- A flourishing local economy
- People and their environment
- Responsible Community leadership.

Recommended to be approved.

- II. **Draft Core Strategy-** The Inspector will produce an interim report in March.
- III. **Council Tax-** SDC will not be increasing the Council Tax in year 2015/16.
- IV. **Rural Housing Programme-** The Councils 2014-15 Capital Programme has been amended to progress Rural Housing Programme Round 3.
- V. **Gypsy and Traveller Local Plan-** The District Council is preparing a Gypsy and Travellers Local Plan. It has now been approved that consultation should now be undertaken on the suggested sites. There are no sites suggested in Studley.
- VI. **Discharging main homelessness duty into Private Rented Sector-** The Localism Act enables the local authorities to offer accommodation in the private rented sector as a means of ending the full housing duty owed to statutory homeless applicants. A policy has now been approved by the Cabinet but is subject to call in.
- VII. **Parking Service- Service Improvements.** - The District Council has retained the management of the Council owned car parks. The management of the service now sits with Street Scene. It is intended to improve the service provided.
- VIII. **Assessment on the legal compliance of the Councils recycling collection service.-** Following the completion of an assessment the current recycling arrangements are to be retained as they are considered to provide the most effective and efficient way of maximising recycling within the District. In deciding this account has to be taken of the following considerations;
 - IX. the following considerations;
 - Technical
 - Environmental
 - Economic

Cllr P Beaman informed Parish Council that Sir William Lawrence has sadly passed away and the funeral will be held on 25th February 2015 at 11am in Haselor. Cllr P Beaman to draft letter of condolence to his family on behalf of the Parish Council.

Delegate Report

Cllr E Holder informed Council that the SSSC have not had a meeting for 2 months.

Proposed Cllr Mrs S Redman, seconded Cllr P Beaman, voting 9 for and 2 abstentions for Parish Council to write to the Chairman of SSCC that Parish Council delegates have reported last meeting was held in November 2014 and to ask the Chairman for an explanation as to why there has not been a meeting since November and the date of the next meeting.

14. Committee Reports.

Approval of Notes of the General Purposes & Grants Committee Meetings held on the

- 20th Jan 2015
- 3rd February 2015

Proposed Cllr Mrs S Redman, seconded Cllr P Beaman, voting unanimous that the notes of the General Purposes & Grant Committee Meetings to be signed by the Chairman as true record of the meetings.

15. Correspondence

There were none.

- Circulation

There were none.

16. Approved Accounts for payment.

| 17 th Feb 2015 | | | | £ |
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| | Studley St Mary's Brownies | Grant | 650 | 100.00 |
| | Petty Cash | Petty Cash | 651 | 100.00 |
| | Ian Geddes | Website update | 652 | 40.38 |
| | Excel Telecommunications | Telecom | 653 | 101.29 |
| | Aqu Aid | Water | 654 | 7.19 |
| | Wharton Arboriculture Ltd | Tree survey | 655 | 958.66 |
| | Lyreco | Reimbursement of janitorial supplies for Village Hall | 656 | 252.34 |
| | GS Adams | Street light maintenance for Jan | 657 | 551.65 |
| | Discount Body Panels Midlands Ltd | Paint for skate park | 658 | 416.76 |
| | HMRC | HMRC | 659 | 834.27 |
| | Wages | Wages | DD | 2384.33 |
| | Wages | Wages | 660 | 25.78 |
| | Wages | Wages | 661 | 150.82 |

Proposed Cllr Mrs M Rickhards, seconded Cllr M Redman, voting for 10 and 1 abstention that schedules of cheques to be approved and signed.

17. Date of the next Parish Council Meeting: 3rd March 2015

Meeting closed: 9:10 pm