# **Studley Parish Council**

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2007 at 7.30pm.

#### 1. Public Forum:

None

# 2. Chairman declared the meeting open

#### 3. Present

Vice Chair J. Bacon, J. Vale, E. Holder, C. Rickhards, Mrs M Woodrow, G. Noke, M. Redman & Mrs S Redman.

District Councillor M. Weddell & Mrs H Wright.

# 4. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mrs H. Wersocki, W. McCarthy & Chairman P. Beaman, Mrs M. Bell. County Councillor Mrs H. McCarthy.

#### 5. 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.

None.

# 6. To Pass the Minutes of the Last Meeting

Accepted and signed as a true record of the last meeting.

#### 7. Matters Arising (for information only)

None

#### 8. Items for Discussion

Min 113/06 Cllr W. McCarthy: Public Open Space

- Report sent in by Cllr McCarthy. Lottery has apologised for their action in refusing the grant application and is now progressing in the normal way. Outcome within two weeks from 4<sup>th</sup> July.
- Action Studley preparing a Management Plan.
- Lease to be discussed at next Parish Council meeting when outcome of Lottery grant is known.

# Min 118 Alcohol Ban - District Councillor M. Weddell

- Alcohol Restricted zone discussed at the recent Arden Area Community Committee.
   Under the new Act 2001 it allows people to drink in public places but if there is a perceived problem then the police can confiscate their alcohol irrespective of age.
- Alcester has applied to designate part of the town centre as a restrictive zone and this
  was agreed by the Arden Area Committee.
- To be approved by the full Council of Stratford District.
- Perhaps this is something Studley Parish Council would wish to consider.
- Clerk to invite Inspector Warren Ayres to a meeting of the Parish Council to discuss

- Alcohol Restrictive Zones further.
- The No Smoking ban is already causing a problem for the Nags Head and the Shakespeare as they are breaking the licensing laws by allowing people to smoke outside their premises after 11pm.

## Min 119: Litter picking Crooks Lane Recreation Ground

- As the skate park is now in place there has been a significant increase in the amount of litter. This has meant more work for our litter picker.
- He would like an increase in the amount he is currently receiving.
- Agreed this should be discussed by the Recreation Committee prior to our next Parish Council meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> August.
- Installation of additional Litter bins and their position to be also included.

# Min 120 Meeting of the Forward Planning Committee to discuss recently Adopted Parish Plan:

- Cllr Wright again stressed the importance of the Parish Plan and how it was already being used by Stratford District Council having been quoted in a recent Planning Application and grant request from the Credit Union.
- Agreed that the meeting should not only be for the Forward Planning Committee but for the whole Council. As there were a few absentees at this meeting two dates were proposed 14<sup>th</sup> August or 28<sup>th</sup> August commencing at 6.30pm in the Council Chamber.
- Clerk to liaise with Councillors.

# 9. Planning Applications for Consideration

07/01834/FUL

Mr & Mrs G. Adams, 2 Station House, 98 Station

Road

Change of use from pre- school nursery to offices

(Class

B1) & Showroom for trade and retail outlet reasons:

Support for following

- 1. The Parish Council feel that all Local businesses should be supported and encouraged as per Studley Parish Plan.
- 2. Policies Com 3 and MRC1 of Stratford on Avon District Council also support local business in Rural centres.
- 3. Comment that the car park at the rear of the premises should be used to deter parking on Station Road and St Judes Avenue.

07/01904/TPO

Mr & Mrs Adams, 6, Riverside, Studley

T1 Oak: Remove dead wood and reduce the crown by

10- 15%.

No representations

07/01917/FUL

Wilf Gilbert, 1 Bell Lane, Studley Siting of satellite dish (retrospective)

**No representations** but comment to the Planning Officers if the banner could be removed as not in

keeping with surrounding area.

# 10. Planning Decisions Received

07/00975/FUL The Needlemakers, 5-7 Watts Road, Studley

Proposed covered drinking area and new paviors. **Permission with conditions 29th June 2007** 

07/01481/LDP Mr A Blizzard, 74 Alcester Road Studley.

Demolish existing and erect new garage.

Permitted Development 22nd June 2007

07/00784/OUT GEAC Enterprise Solution Ltd

Land to the rear of Needle House, Studley. Residential Development of 5 no. 2 bedroom

Houses and 10 apartments.

Refusal 25<sup>th</sup> June 2007 – for following reasons: Over provision of housing in relation to RSS and SDC Supplementary Planning Document. In opinion of SDC the proposal would not have appreciable benefits for the local community. Site should remain for commercial and industrial use as there should be no reduction in local

employment opportunities.

Limited evidence to prove the site is no longer

viable for continued commercial use.

07/1392/FUL Ms C Richards, 60, St Judes Avenue Studley.

Erection of two storey side extension with porch

and conservatory.

Permission with Conditions 4th July 2007

# 11. District and County Council Reports District Council Report given by Cllr Mrs Hazel Wright Summary:

- 1. CPA inspection commenced 18<sup>th</sup> June, results will be published in the Autumn.
- 2. Restructure of Planning Department. An option agreed and now for consideration by Unison
- 3. Agreement reached by Stratford District Council to buy the Cattle Market in Stratford on Avon

# Arden Area Committee 5th July 2007:

- Grants were made to the Credit Union and the Allotment Association
- Well-Being Strategy considered.
- Studley Parish Plan adopted. Seen as a quality plan.
- Studley Improvement Partnership was recommended for support to the Executive.
- Proposal to designate part of Alcester town centre as a Alcohol Restricted Zone agreed. An option Studley may wish to consider.
- 4. West Area Planning Committee Application 07/01175/FUL Priory Mill, Castle Road was granted with references to Studley Parish Plan.

# No County Council Report given by Cllr Mrs H McCarthy

12. Correspondence SDC

- Min 121 1.Achieving Sustainable Low Carbon Buildings Draft Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)
  - 2.Extending your Home Draft Planning Advice Note.
    Can be viewed on SDC website. Any representations by 16<sup>th</sup> August. Very useful document. Clerk to download copy for Councillors for next Parish Council meeting.
- Min 122 Review of Polling District and Polling Stations. Questionnaire for suggestions for alternative polling places to the village hall. None suggested.

#### WCC

- Min 123 Stratford on Avon Area Committee meeting Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July Council Chamber, Elizabeth House, Stratford at 4.30pm.
- Min 124 Replacement stile near St Mary's Church not on a public footpath. Falls between two public footpaths therefore not the responsibility of WCC to repair. Kissing gate from the Catholic Church has also been repaired with the addition of vandal proof nuts.

#### Other

- Min 125 Highways Agency advance notification of road works on A46 Tailors Wood Bank for stabilisation and Temple Grafton for resurfacing from 28th August to early November.
- Min 126 WALC: Southam Area Committee presentation about Warwickshire Energy Efficiency advice 4<sup>th</sup> September Harbury Village hall 7.30pm.
- Min 127 Invitation to meet Councillors Commission, regional event Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July Warwick Arts Centre, University of Warwick 9.30am 4.00pm. Cllrs M. Redman and E. Holder are attending.

#### **Correspondence for Circulation**

Min 128 Clerks & Councils Direct

Min 129 The Clerk

Min 130 Breakthrough Breast Cancer magazine

Min 131 Stratford on Avon Area Committee Minutes 16th May 2007

### 13. Committee Reports

#### Report of the Grants Committee given by Clerk

Recommended that a grant of £600 be awarded to the Allotment Association towards a replacement gate.

RESOLVED that, in pursuance of the power conferred by section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and being of the opinion that the expenditure satisfies the requirements of that section, the Council approves the payment of the sum of £600 in respect of the Allotment Association.

# 14. Delegates Reports

# Report of Action Studley compiled by Cllr McCarthy

Copy handed to all Councillors.

Summary:

Studley in Bloom – inspection will be carried out on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2007 and the

Chairman is asking for all support in litter clearing, tidying up frontage and other matters. He has also been provided with up to date information for the Inspector regarding the Public Open Space. Action Studley to litter pick on 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> July. Parish Council to be asked to enquire if the large sign on the new 'bookies' in Bell Lane is legal.

Litter – during litter collection around Recreation Ground on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2007 a whole sackful of litter including a vodka bottle was collected from immediate surrounds of the skate park. Parish Council to be asked to provide litter bin as soon as possible. Also suggestion that perhaps a graffiti style decoration of the skate park might be in order to help youngsters 'own' it.

Studley 'Carnival' – Action Studley arranging a stall and display of old and new photographs of the Village.

Community Café – Joanne Rooke again raised the question of such a facility and is investigating funding to support it.

# 15. Approve Accounts for Payment Proposed Cllr Mrs M. Woodrow that the schedule of cheques for payment be approved, seconded Cllr Holder. Voting unanimous.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, 7th August 2007

**Meeting Close 8.15pm**