

# Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on 18<sup>th</sup> June 2013 at 7:30 pm.

## 1. Chairman declared the meeting open.

## 2. Present

Vice Chairman Cllr J Ingram, Cllr P Beaman, Cllr A Smith, Cllr J Bacon, Cllr J King, Cllr E Holder, Cllr Mrs M Woodrow, Cllr Mrs A Wade.

## In attendance

Parish Clerk, Mrs L Gailey, Assistant Clerk, Mrs L Stanton, Cllr C Rickhards & Cllr Mrs H Wright, Ms Donna Ranchod & 5 members of public

## 3. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Mrs S Redman (on holiday) & Cllr M Redman (on holiday) Cllr Ms M Tandy (work)

## 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 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.

## 5. Public Forum

i) Cllr C Rickhards would like Parish Council to include in future discussion to form a group to cover Highways, Traffic & parking issues in the Parish to involve the residents of Studley who may have issues in this areas.

li) Mr B Dixon has concern with the proposed development at Bell Court Business Centre, Bell Lane, Studley presented by Quantum Construction Ltd at the previous Council Meeting.

- Cllr Ingram requested Mr Dixon write to the Parish Council with his concerns.
- Cllr Beaman informed Mr Dixon he is able to write to Stratford District Council on any planning issues.
- Cllr Bacon stated that any member of the public can comment on planning application submitted to the Parish Council during Public Forum of the meeting when the planning application is considered.

## 6. Healthwatch Warwickshire Ltd- Presentation by Donna Ranchod(Community Engagement Officer)

- Health watch Warwickshire started on the 1 April 2013 as an independent consumer champion for health and social care experience by people in the Warwickshire area.
- Providing help and information on the health care services to the public.
- Providing volunteers as critical friends to care homes to improve services and care.
- Providing mystery shoppers to ensure pharmacies are giving out correct information to shoppers.
- Access centre will set at various CAB centre in the area.
- GPs surgeries & hospitals will be given postcards for patients feedback of their experience on the service received.

- Healthwatch welcomes positive feedback to enable them to share good practice.

**7. To pass minutes of last meetings.**

**Proposed Cllr Beaman , seconded Cllr Bacon , voting unanimous that the minutes be signed by Chairman as true copies.**

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

**Min 17:** Update on First Responders Studley

- Clerk read out response email from Tracey Morrell. (Operational Governance Support Director of West Midlands Ambulance Service.
- Cllr Holder informed Council that complaints against Studley First Responders were not true.
- The Studley First Responders have now been reinstated.

**Cllr Beaman proposed inviting a member of Ambulance Service to attend Parish Council Meeting to clarify the role of the First Responders, seconded Cllr King, voting 7 for, 1 abstention.**

**Min 15:** Anthony Drake- Shelter

Clerk read out response from Anthony Drake on the Shelter.

**Min 21:** Fund from SCWIG

Cllr Holder is awaiting reply from the bank on the transfer of funds to Studley Parish Council's bank account.

**9. Item for Discussion**

**Min 27:** Authorisation for release of funds to Studley Sports & Social Club

**Proposed Cllr Beaman, seconded Cllr Bacon, voting 6 for, 2 abstention to release the balance of funding to Studley Sports & Social Club as agreed in the Finance Committee meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2013.**

**Min 22:** Annual Village Inspection update.

Schedule of action plan circulated to all Councillors.

Cllr Beaman is happy that the village is looking very good.

**Proposed Cllr Bacon, seconded Cllr Mrs A Wade, voting unanimous that 2 set of keys to both allotment plots to be deposited at the Parish Council office.**

**10. Planning Application for Consideration**

13/01223/ADV: Lloyds Banking Group

25 Alcester Road, Studley, B80 7LL

Proposed No; 1 sub AI illuminated window unit

**No representation**

**Proposed Cllr Beaman , seconded Cllr Holder , voting unanimous**

**11. Planning Decisions Received**

13/00420/FUL: Mr Craig Loughran

8 Mallard Road, Studley, B80 7LT

Proposed erection of single storey extension to rear and canopy roof to front.

**Permission with Conditions.**

13/00708/VARY: Mr Seamus Roche (S & A Properties)

21B Alcester Road, Studley, B80 7AG

Variation of conditions 3 and removal of condition 4 planning permission

12/02030/FUL- Proposed change of use of part of first floor from gym to residential (2x 1-bed and 2 x 2-bed apartments) and external alterations – in relation to moving the bin storage area to within an existing storage area and not providing a water butt.

**Permission with Conditions**

**11) Notification of Planning Appeals & Planning Committee Meeting**

None

**12) District & County Council Reports.**

Cllr C Rickhards reported the following;

- Children's Centre in Studley is to be retained as part of a South West Warwickshire locality group. This is one of the 12 'groups' to replace separately managed individual centres. The context is the need to save £2.3 million on this service in 2014.
- This is the part of an Early Years offer to include Early Learning goals.
- There will be a 7 stage model of delivery from pre-birth to 48 months.
- An IMD (Deprivation) calculation will be used to distribute resources so that extra resources are channelled to the most disadvantaged.
- School Improvement has to be addressed since the direct role of the LEA cannot be what it was when it had about 50 personnel as opposed to the present 5+.
- Schools will be encouraged to team together in CONSORTIA to foster improvement programmes. Within this model School Improvement Boards will be created which will be represented on the County wide Schools Forum.
- Resurfacing to take place soon on the A435 both sides of the Barley Mow and repairs to the island to be done.
- Parking restriction consultations shortly to take place re plans for the Redditch Road parking bay and Crendon Close turning circle.
- Alcester Road- Cllr Rickhards recently met 'in situ' with a County officer and Dr Vasey (who has campaigned on this matter). The pros and cons were discussed by Cllr Rickhards, County Officer and Dr Vasey of providing another crossing close to Castle Road by the lollipop person place.
- Allendale Crescent- small section of road at the Willow Way end placed on the list for resurfacing.
- Lansdowne Crescent- placed on list for footpath 'treatment' but not until 2014.

Cllr Mrs H Wright;

**Electoral Reform**

- The Local Government Boundary Commission have ruled that f36 members should make up Stratford upon Avon District Council.
- The proposed electorate for each ward is 2,885. This figure has been arrived at from the projected figure of the district population 103,500 in 2019. To achieve this numbers it has been suggested that Studley will combine with Mappleborough Green and Sambourne irrespective of the final geographical decision this will result in 2 District Councillors for the whole area.
- The election will take place in 2015.
- There is however an argument that resolves around community cohesion and this has yet been fully discussed.
- Before August 5<sup>th</sup> Stratford District Council will pass their recommendations to the boundary commission and it will be for them to approve or reject before progressing the electoral reform. Further consultation may take place with the public.

### **Core Strategy District Housing Requirement and Housing Base**

- The 'Review of Housing Requirement' March 2013 has been accepted by the Council as forming part of the evidence base for a figure of 9500 to be identified in the District Core Strategy housing requirement for the 20 year period 2008- 2028. This may not yet be conclusive figure as it has to be tested by examination in public and finally approved by the Secretary of State.
- This was the third study commissioned after previous two studies recommended higher numbers, therefore it can be assumed this figure will be challenged at public hearing. This has already been noted by the barrister conducting the appeal for Cala Homes in Shipstone.
- It should be noted that the degree of weight that can be given to emerging plans is limited. The emphasis is on the National Planning Framework. It is claimed that Stratford District Council have a 4.4 year land supply and it is thought may be disputed at public examination.
- Redditch Borough Council have now formally approached Stratford District Council to consider to release land for employment purposes at Mapplebrough Green and the Officer is suggesting it will be included in the local draft district core strategy. It is worth noting that Stratford District Council in contrast has an oversupply of employment land.

### **Council Monitoring Officer**

- Kevin Lane has been acting as the Monitoring Officer and providing a shared service with South Northamptonshire Council and Cherwell District Council. This arrangement is to cease. Arrangements are being made for an interim arrangement to be in place before a permanent head of legal and democratic services is appointed.

### **13) Delegates Reports**

None

### **14) Committee Reports**

- 21<sup>st</sup> May 2013 Studley Parish Council General Purposes Committee Meeting
- 21<sup>st</sup> May 2013- Studley Parish Council Grants Committee Meeting

**Proposed Cllr Beaman, seconded Cllr Mrs A Wade , voting unanimous that Committee Meeting minutes were signed and accepted as true copies the Chairman.**

### **15) Correspondence**

**Min 28:** Acorn Veterinary Centre

**Min 29:** Studley in Bloom- Barbara Campbell

**Min 30:** Gloria Jenkins- Studley Scout Group

**Min 31:** The Local Government Boundary Commission

**For Circulation (Circulated by email items Min 33 & 34 emailed)**

**Min 32:** ICCM – Summer Issue The Journal

**Minv33:** WALC-Newsletter & Bespoke Guidance for Members Council ADH/106/1/2013

**Min 34:** WDC- Superfast Broadband

## 16) Approved Accounts for payment

18 June 2013	Ian Geddes	Website	266	£52.70
	HMRC	HMRC	267	£633.17
	Salary	Salary	268	£1243.94
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	G.Gardner	Mole Control	270	£67.50
	Lyreco	Stationery	271	£159.08
	GS Adams Ltd	Street lighting	272	£699.25
	L.Stanton	Reimbursement sundry items	273	£68.81
	Excel Telecommunications	Telephone charges	274	£35.40

**Proposed Cllr Holder, seconded Cllr Bacon, voting 7 for, 1 abstention that schedule of cheques to approved and signed.**

**18) Date of the next Parish Council Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2013**

**Meeting closed 8:35 pm**