Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday 18th July 2006 at 7.30pm.

1. Public Forum

None.

2. Chairman declared the meeting open

3. Present

Chairman P. Beaman, Vice Chair S. Phipps, E. Holder, Mrs M. Woodrow,

J. Bacon, W. McCarthy, Mrs M. Bell.

Apologies for late arrival Cllrs Mrs S. Redman, M. Redman.

County Councillor Mrs H. McCarthy, District Councillor Mrs H. Wright.

Mr. M. Porter, WCC.

Mrs C Green, Mappleborough Green P.C. Representative from Coughton P.C.

4. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mrs A. Wade, J. Vale.

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. Mr M. Porter re Lorry Route Map:

- As we are no longer having a bypass and Studley has considerable problems as A435 is shown as a lorry route through Studley, Mappleborough Green and Coughton.
- Major access route but not a primary road and no weight limits.
- Map has no legal status, it is only an advisory map and acts as a guide. Try to stop rat running routes.
- Distributed 5000 copies to numerous companies. Lorries are not breaking the law if they do not use route as long as they comply with weight restrictions.
- Lorries use High Street as a short cut to Bromsgrove Road.
- When next map produced would it be possible to remove A435? Unfortunately whilst
 it is a trunk road or even when de-trunked it will still be an 'A' road and will remain on
 route map.

Only centre of Warwick is shown as having weight restrictions. Surely as Studley is congested weight restrictions should be imposed. WCC Policy is that weight restrictions are not imposed on 'B' roads except in extraordinary circumstances.

- Cost can be prohibitive, two consultations involving businesses, services, advertising in press, cost of signs.
- High Street should be classed as an extraordinary circumstance as used as a rat run.
 County Cllr Mrs McCarthy will contact Roger Bennett, WCC.
- 'B' road links A435 to A448. HGV's do not want to go to Spernal Ash as it is a difficult turning. Asked for roundabout at this junction but WCC said no.
- How easy would it be to remove signage to encourage vehicles to use A46 instead of A435. Once A435 is detrunked would like to make it as difficult as possible for lorries to use the road and to slow down traffic using chicanes etc. A3400 cannot be used due to low bridges, would have to go to junction 15 on M40. It would be very difficult to get Highways Agency to change any signs.
- There are no businesses in Studley that generate HGV's and only one business in Alcester so why should Studley have to put up with 27,000 HGV's per day passing through Village.
- Mr Porter stated A435 is the best route and that is why they use it.
- Air quality in Studley is the worst in County. Meeting taking place to discuss ways to improve this. Government targets have to be reached so how do we get traffic out of the Village? No alternative route, cannot send traffic through other Counties but could look at joining routes. Mr Porter can discuss this with Redditch.
- Next map will be produced February/March 2007. Comments needed by October Thanks from the Chairman for coming to the meeting.

7. To Pass the Minutes of the Last Meeting

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

8. Matters Arising (for information only)

None.

9. Items for Discussion

Min 113 Public Open Space: Meeting being arranged with Stratford District Council. Through Action Studley Cllr McCarthy contacted Welcombe Hills project – good guide. Idea from public consultation is that most residents prefer Nature Reserve. Cllr Holder contacting Wildlife Trust. Essential that as SDC hand over land by lease all fences and gates should be in good order. Volunteers can be found to clear the area. Need to prevent undue disturbance of wildlife. Cllr Holder has contacted Craig Fellows, Wildlife Environmental Officer. Can suggest list of plants to attract wildlife. Once documentation sorted out can also think about trees that can be planted.

10. Planning Applications

None.

11. District and County Council Reports District Council, no report available for this meeting.

County Council, no written report available.

- Adult & Community Development Service Plan. Government putting back in place learning for pleasure. One third of money for basic learning which will be free, two thirds for personal development and community learning for which fees will be charged. Many will not have to pay, over 60s, those on benefits. Not sure where fees will come from as 9% less money from LSC.
- Strategic Review of Services for Young People.
- New Planning Strategy approved.
- Growth & revenue from Government to be lower so financial constraints.

12. Correspondence

SDC

Min 114 Managing Housing Supply – Draft Supplementary Planning Document to control the release of housing sites within the District in order to restrict any over supply. The draft SPD specifies those circumstances in which housing proposals will continue to be permitted because of the appreciable benefits they have for either the local community and/or the environment. Document can be viewed on SDC website www.stratford.gov.uk Comments if any by 17th August 2006.

WCC

None.

Other

- Min 115 Redditch Borough Council Local Development Framework Revised Local Development Scheme, approved. Came into effect on 26th June 2006.
- Min 116 Redditch Borough Council Local Development Framework Adoption of Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) formally adopted on 30th June 2006.
- Min 117 WALC: Freedom of Information Act & Data Protection Act training evening on 12th September 2006 at Shire Hall at 6.00pm. £30 per delegate. Clerk to be notified of those wishing to attend by next meeting.
- Min 118 Entaco Bowls Club re lease for Bowling Green Area. No problem, Clerk to make necessary arrangements.
- Min 119 WALC: notification of scale of audit fees 2006-7 ending 2010-11. Parish Council will now be subject to a basic audit rather than intermediate.
- Min 120 SLCC next meeting of Warwickshire & West Midlands Branch will be Tuesday, 10th October 2006 at Ufton.
- Min 121 SLCC National Conference will take place Friday, 20th October Sunday, 22nd October 2006 at Holiday Inn, Plymouth.
- Min 122 Coventry Airport proposals to revise Noise Preferential Routes/

Standard Departure Routes considered on 26th June 2006.

- Following considerations WMIAL has decided to implement the proposed routes.
- Min 123 Charity Commission Studley Recreation Ground. Survey to be completed.
- Min 124 Invitation from South Warwickshire Credit Union Ltd to attend Official opening of their new Community Banking Shop on Friday, 21st July 2006 at 10.30pm. Cllrs E. Holder, S. Phipps to attend.

Correspondence for Circulation

- Min 125 Studley Recreation Ground Governance Hub
- Min 126 The Clerk
- Min 127 WALC proposed programme of briefing events August to December 2006
- Min 128 WALC Newsletter
- Min 129 Clerks & Councils Direct
- Min 130 Purple The Magazine of Breakthrough Breast Cancer Summer 2006
- Min 131 Local Council Review
- Min 132 Country Matters Summer 2006
- Min 133 West Midlands International Airport Ltd. Minutes of Board Meeting of Proposals to Revise NPR & SDR at Coventry Airport

13. Committee Reports

Report of the Recreation Committee held on Tuesday, 20th June 2006 Copy handed to all Councillors.

Application for Grant towards Skateboard facility submitted to Community Committee. Cllr Mrs Wright asked for it to be withdrawn as forms incorrectly submitted. Parish Council may need to apply. Cllr Holder has applied for a Disability Information Pack.

14. Delegates Reports

Clirs Mrs Redman & M Redman have not attended any SSSC meetings. Clerk to write concerning repayment of loan.

15. Approve Accounts for Payment

Proposed CIIr W. McCarthy that the schedule of cheques for payment be approved, seconded CIIr Mrs S. Redman. Voting unanimous.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, 1st August 2006 Meeting Closed 8.35pm