

Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday 18th October 2005 at 7.30pm.

1. Public Forum

Cllr W. McCarthy: Should Parish Council be making representations about the proposals for Alexandra Hospital? Used by South Warwickshire people with 20% coming from Studley. Next agenda item to discuss Warwick and Redditch hospitals reduction of services.

Stratford District Council website has no mention of Studley as a main rural centre.

Bromsgrove Road: flashing light on Bromsgrove Road continually flashing. Clerk advised already been reported.

2. Chairman declared the meeting open

3. Present

Chairman P. Beaman, Vice Chair M. Pittaway, W. McCarthy, J. Bacon, Mrs M. Woodrow, Mrs H. Wersocki, M. Redman, Mrs S. Redman. County Councillor Mrs H. McCarthy, District Councillor Mrs H. Wright. 2 members of the public.

4. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs S. Phipps, J. Vale, Mrs A. Wade.

5. Declarations of Interest

None.

6. To Pass the Minutes of the Last Meeting

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

7. Matters Arising

Min 231 Co-operative Group: reply received re neglected site. Anita Young, Head of Customer Relations to explore options and will contact again in due course.

8. Items for Discussion

Min 249 Nominations for Millennium Shield & Silver Jubilee Awards.

Millennium Shield Award (Group) – voted for the Youth Club
Volunteers

Silver Jubilee Award – voted for Michael Corke, School Crossing
Patrol, Alcester Road

9. Planning Applications

05/02252/FUL	Mr M McCann, Clarkes Green Farm, Clarkes Green, Studley. Change of use of redundant barn to offices. Objection unless assurance that amount of extra traffic will be minimal.
05/02848/FUL	McKees Restaurant, 7-9 Marble Alley, Studley. Proposed change of use of ground floor shop (A1) No.9 Marble Alley to restaurant (Class A3). No representations.

10. District and County Council Reports

County Council Report given by County Cllr Mrs H. McCarthy

Copy handed to all Councillors:

- Decriminalisation: Environment, Overview & Scrutiny Committee unanimously decided that a charge of 20p be made for the first 30 minutes of parking in the street in Stratford on Avon District.
- Attended training on Citizenship in Schools.
- Attended an Anti Social Behaviour Seminar.
- Attended a meeting of SACRE (Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education) who have a statutory duty to advise WCC upon matters connected with religious worship in community schools and foundation schools which do not have a religious character.
- Maternity Unit as well as A & E Unit at the Alexandra Hospital may close. Will be reporting this to the Health O & S at WCC. As Studley mothers go to the Alex or have a midwife in attendance from the Alex it is important to make representations.
- Went to the NAC at Stoneleigh where County Safety Team have been running a Crucial Crew event where children learn about dangers such as pylon wires, smoke emanating from buildings including their homes, gas leaks etc. Attended by children from Studley Junior School and Mappleborough Green School who showed an intelligent interest and were impeccably behaved.
- Travellers continue to travel around Studley. Soil bunds on former site in Castle Road.

District Council Report given by District Cllr Mrs H. Wright

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Local Plan Proposal SUA.W: original decision not to develop on Green Field sites rescinded by Ruling group at Full Council.

Implications for Studley: potential to develop on Green Field Sites.

Recharging for Parish Elections:

Implications for Studley: a cost to Studley Parish Council instead of the District Council.

Section 136 Payments: for grass cutting, strimming, maintenance of open space and routine general litter picking considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and suggestion by SDC to continue payments, noted by the Executive but not acted upon.
Implication for Studley: financial.

Government Travel Bus Scheme to be in place in April 2006

This may impact on Parish Schemes. The Parish Council may wish to consider the Parish scheme in light of this.

The Council is still in Voluntary Engagement with the ODPM and the process of restructuring is now in place.

Recycling targets are on target, Council to consider other collections i.e. plastics.

Homelessness has been reduced and less money spent on Bed and Breakfast.

11. Correspondence

SDC

Min 250 Tree Preservation Order (TPO) No.621 made on tree & orchard 34 Node Hill Close on provisional basis from 30th September 2005. Will continue for 6 months until confirmed. Any objections to be made by 31st October 2005.

WCC

Min 251 WCC Local Transport Plan – Annual Progress Report available in Parish Council office. Provisional Local Transport Plan 2006-2011 available from website www.warwickshire.gov.uk/ltp

Min 252 Order raised with Arden Construction to reset concrete bollard. Will not be charged to Youth Centre. Clerk to write and ask for road to be re-instated to original condition.

Min 253 Countryside Access & Rights of Way Improvement Plan (CAROWIP) published for information. Comments required. Cllr W. McCarthy to read.

Other

Min 254 Thank you letter from Relate for grant of £100.00.

Min 255 Village Hall Management Committee re fencing on recreation ground, gaining access to Village Hall roof. Request for new fencing to prevent this practice. To be considered in next precept. Chairman to inform VHMC.

Min 256 WALC Training Brief on Preparation & Handling of Tenders and Contracts Wednesday, 9th November 2005 10.00am – 3.00pm Seminar Room, Borough Council Offices, Rugby. Cllr Bacon to notify Clerk if he can attend.

Min 257 Redditch Borough Council Local Development Framework. Consultation on the Draft Version of the Statement of

Community Involvement. Consultation period beginning 7th October for 7 weeks. Document can be viewed on www.redditchbc.gov.uk . Comments required by 25th November 2005.

Min 258 Alcester Town Council Liaison Group meeting 19th October 2005 at 7.30pm. Clerk and Chairman to attend.

Min 259 Thank you letter from Denis Charlton, Secretary of VHMC for £500 grant towards annual maintenance costs.

Correspondence for Circulation

Min 260 WALC Southam Area Committee Minutes 12th September 2005

12. Committee Reports

None.

13. Delegates Reports

Studley Sports & Social Club report given by Cllr Mrs S. Redman

Copy handed to all Councillors.

Money in place to repay Parish Council for loan. To be discussed in more detail next meeting.

Min 238 Waste Core Strategy for Worcestershire County Council

Minerals & Waste Development Consultation Paper. Copy of comments given by Cllr W. McCarthy handed to all Councillors.

All agreed that Clerk to liaise with Cllr W. McCarthy and to reply to Worcester C.C.C concerning all points raised including:

No one will dispute comments made in the report regarding the environment.

Studley Parish Council (SPC) considers that the Strategy for Waste Disposal should:

1. Find all means to reduce waste at source e.g. getting businesses to take back packaging, or through built in recycling of old equipment and other such means.
2. Encourage householders to recycle and compost preferably at home, but then through collection authority schemes.
3. Dispose of some suitable waste to incineration and composting.
4. Recover energy through thermal treatment.
5. Dispose of fly ash to landfill with a target of 5%.

14. Approve Accounts for Payment

Direct Debit payment to SDC £279.00.

Proposed Cllr W. McCarthy that the schedule of cheques for payment be approved, seconded Cllr M. Redman. Voting unanimous.

**The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, 1st November
2005**

Meeting Closed 8.15pm