

Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday, 18th October 2011 at 6.30pm.

1. Chairman declared the meeting open

2. Present

Chairman P. Beaman, A. Smith, Mrs M. Woodrow, J. Bacon.
District Councillor Mrs H. Wright.

3. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received and noted from:

Cllr Mrs S. Redman – personal

Cllr M. Redman – personal

Cllr J. King - personal

Cllr Mrs A. Wade – business

Cllr E. Holder – Illness

Cllr C. Rickhards - Business

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 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.

Cllr Beaman Item 14 Accounts – personal interest

Item 9 min 376 Studley Library – personal interest

5. Public Forum

Meeting with Planning Officers and Developers prior to the Council Meeting

- Re: Land STUD1 west of Birmingham Road.
Parish Council view that this land should be retained for employment- Ricor may relocate.
- Could be an issue with the density of the housing development. Need to look more detail at the site as the A435 is at capacity.
- Workers spend in Studley and support for existing businesses will be affected. Other sites in Studley are more suitable.
- The national policy is a presumption of sustainable development.
- Comments in the Draft Core Strategy must be reiterated that the land must be retained for employment use.
- To be included on next agenda.

6. To Pass the Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes were received, and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

7. Matters Arising (*for information only*)

Min 177: Invitation to District Councillor Gillian Roache inviting her to attend a Parish Council re: Planning Committees has been passed to Cllr Gittus who is responsible for planning issues.

Min 151: Thank you from Tony Perks for the response concerning ground maintenance. New contract procurement is moving forward.

Min 137: Application for WCC Community computer for proposed library has been successful. IT Department will be in contact in due course to arrange delivery.

Min 156: Confirmation that Diamond Jubilee Beacon for Studley has been registered.

8. Items for Discussion

Min 376 Studley Library Bid

The bid to move the Library to Studley Village Hall has been successful. It was a very strong bid and the award of £6,000 has been granted. The hard work will now begin. Should be up and running by 31st March 2012.

Cllr Rickhards and Cllr Beaman to attend a meeting on 24th October where more information will be given.

Concerns remain about the future of the building. WCC hoping to realise £123,000 for the building. Will continue to monitor.

Cllr Beaman as Chairman of the Village Hall Management Committee has now received letters from the solicitors for the change of structure concerning the running of the hall to be discussed at a later date.

Min 193 Pupil Referral Unit Consultation

No comment from the Council.

Min 204 Appointment of Assistant Clerk

Proposed Cllr P. Beaman **Seconded** Cllr J. Bacon that the Mrs Lesley Gailey be formally appointed as Assistant Clerk to Studley Parish Council. Employment beginning 1st November 2011 **Voting unanimous**

Min 205 Neighbourhood/Forward Plan

Neighbourhood plan has been started in Stratford but ours cannot be started until Localism Bill is in place. Studley may include surrounding areas such as Mappleborough Green and Sambourne with Studley as a Commercial Centre. The plan would need to coincide with local framework.

Min 206 ½ Yearly Accounts – Bank reconciliation

Copy circulated to Councillors

9. Planning Applications for Consideration – None

10. Planning Decisions Received - None

11. District and County Council Reports

Cllr Mrs Wright will be attending the first West Area Planning meeting to begin at 2pm. Will comment at next meeting.

12. Correspondence

SDC None

WCC

Min 207 Invitation to attend Stratford District LSP's Annual Conference 'Moving Forward Together' on Wednesday 2nd November 9am – 1pm Stratford Racecourse.

Min 208 Proposed dates for Henley/Studley Community Forum meetings 2012/13 will be agreed at Community Forum meeting 16th December 2011 – Thursdays 28/06/2012, 29/09/12, 13/12/12 and 21/03/13.

Other

Min 208 Resignation of Nigel Green from the Parish Council. Clerk to notify SDC of the vacancy and advertise.

Min 209 WALC – Community Links Transport service. Funding being withdrawn for the next financial year. It provides a valuable service for the elderly and disabled particularly rural residents. Parish Councils have the power to make a grant for such a scheme. Responses to WALC by 11/11/2011 if a decision is made to award a grant through the precept and if so and indication of the amount. Clerk to contact SDC as not sure how many residents in Studley use the service. To be discussed further at precept meeting.

Min 182 Further letter from Mr Hunt re: tree planting and greenery at the cemetery. Feels the area should have an open vista for security reasons. Clerk to write to advise will continue to monitor the area.

Min 210 Invitation to the AGM of Citizens Advice Bureau on Thursday 27th October at 10.30am Town Hall, Sheep Street, Stratford.

Min 211 WALC – Free planning events for those interested in the planning system. Ettington Village Hall 24th March 2012. Agenda for next meeting.

Min 212 Worcester County Council Waste Core Strategy – Consultation on Addendum 3rd October 2011 – 15th November 2011

Min 213 Confirmation from Western Power of Street Lighting Unmetered Supply Certificate valid until 8th October 2012. Copy to Cllr Beaman

Correspondence for Circulation

Min 214 WCC press releases:

- Extra care housing gets cabinet approval
- Bonfire Night Emergency plans – George Eliot hospital
- Warwickshire Libraries Festival
- Thieves steal drain covers

Min 215 Henley/Studley Community Forum notes for meeting on 6th October

Min 216 WRHA Annual report

Min 217 WALC Parish & Town Councils Liaison meeting minutes 3rd October

Min 218 SLCC Minutes of meeting on 21st July 2011

Min 219 WALC Newsletter

Min 220 Minutes of the WALC meeting on 19th September 2011

Min 221 Fire Station Command Structure

Min 222 Alcester North SNT Newsletter

13. Committee Reports

None.

14. Delegates Reports

Notification from Cllr Rickhards read out by the Clerk that proposed funding from neighbouring Parish Council towards the Bulky Waste collection to be included on the next agenda for discussion.

Report from Cllr Bacon: Re CCTV meeting on 17th October 2011 circulated to Councillors. To be discussed in more detail at next meeting of the Council. Stratford Town Council concerned about the reduction in staff. 57 cameras in Stratford are monitored continually. Although the cameras in Studley are recording Stratford do have a better level of service. Decision of the Parish Council to be taken forward by Cllr Bacon to the meeting in Stratford on 21st November. Agreement when the cameras were installed that businesses as well as the Parish Council would contribute, this is no longer the case. Active and responsive CCTV would be money well spent if we could get the service.

15. Approve Accounts for Payment

Cllr Beaman left the room during this item.

Proposed Cllr Beaman that the schedule of cheques for payment be approved, seconded Cllr Bacon. Voting unanimous.

14.10.11 - DD, SDC, Office Rates £157.35.

888 – PT Services £2950.00. 889 – Mrs D E Mitchell £1353.70. 890 – Inland Revenue £607.61. 891 – Maxwell Amenity £840.00. 892 – G S Adams £538.20. 893 – ASAP Printing £277.50. 894 – N.Power £4266.65. 895 – AA Installations £600.00. 896 – Broxap Ltd £622.68.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, 1st November 2011

Meeting closed 7.40pm

Signed: Chairman