

# Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2012 at 7:30 pm.

## 1. Chairman declared the meeting open.

## 2. Present

Chairman Cllr P Beaman, Cllrs A Smith, M Redman, Mrs M Woodrow, Ms M Tandy, J Ingram, J Bacon, J King, C Rickhards, J Ingram

### In attendance

Parish Clerk, Mrs L Gailey and 1 member of the public

## 3. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mrs A Wade, Mrs S Redman & E Holder & Assistant Clerk Mrs L Stanton

## 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.

Item 14 – Payment of accounts- Cllr P Beaman

## 5. Public Forum

Catherine Walters attended the meeting to advise the Parish Council that she is proposing to seek outline planning permission on land she owns in Brickyard Lane. She is to seek a change to the Certificate of Lawfulness she currently holds for the land to be used for a car repair/workshop to residential use.

## 6. To Pass the Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes were received, amended and signed as a true record.

## 7. Matters Arising (for information only)

### Min 155: Vehicle activated sign

The sign for installation on Station Road, Studley is now available for hire and Warwickshire County Council will carry out a site survey in January 2013 prior to installation.

## 8. Item for Discussion

**Min 164: Christmas Fayre update** - The Fayre was very well supported. An excellent Santa's Grotto was constructed by Mrs Diane Clarke and Santa was visited by 45 children. The raffle in aid of a Defibrillator for the community raised a total of £250. A choir from St. Mary's RC School sang carols, Coffee Break volunteers provided refreshments and the event was compered by Kevin Ward, a Town Crier. The Library opened its doors during the evening and signed up several new users.

**Min 190: Christmas Card Donation** – Councillors submitted their donations totalling £75. The donations will go to the Chairman's Charity - The Defibrillator Fund.

**Min 191: SADS UK (Sudden Adult Death Trust)** – Clerk to write to all local schools with Information regarding the Trust and their aim to install defibrillators in schools.

**Min 192: Parking on Studley High Street** – Cllr Redman raised issues with the parking on The High Street outside Ellis Heating & Plumbing. Traffic flow particularly in the morning is causing problems.

**Proposed Cllr Beaman, seconded Cllr Redman, voting unanimous that Clerk to write to County Highways (Traffic Projects) requesting that something be done to address the issue.**

**Min 193: Lease Renewal at Redditch Road Allotments:-** Lease is due for renewal in April 2013. **Proposed Cllr Tandy, seconded Cllr Smith, voting unanimous to accept renewal in terms offered – renewal for 6 years at a rent £350 per annum.**

## **9. Planning Application For Consideration**

12/02725/FUL: Planscapes (Leisure) Ltd, 2-4 Redditch Road, Studley, B80 7AX  
Partial demolition of industrial and commercial buildings and flats followed by extension, alteration and new build to create 7 terraced houses with a new access and parking.

**Objection on grounds of lack of clarity on positioning on houses and lack of clarity on detail of parking.**

12/02749/FUL: Mr Andrew Clarke, Unit 1 & 2 Marble Alley, Studley. B80 7LD  
Conversion of existing retail and commercial premises including external alterations to create 9 new dwellings.

**Objection on grounds of lack of designated parking and impact of parking space in Marble Alley.**

12/02695/LBC Ridge & Partners – Mr Elton Norris, Studley Castle, Studley  
Repairs of internal lath, main and lower south east turrets with repairs to damaged ceiling and replace roof.

**Support on general principles of development DV1**

## **10. Planning Decisions Received**

12/02287/FUL: Mrs Ysabel Jordan, 7 Church Street, Studley  
Erection of 2 storey side extension

**Permission with conditions**

12/02315LDP: Mr Robert Scott, 5 Church Street, Studley  
Erection of single storey garage

**Certificate of lawful proposed use or development**

12/02275/FUL: Mr Andrew Walter, Wig House, Castle Farm, Studley  
Installation of 21 nos roof mounted solar PV panels on the south facing roof slope of an existing self catering holiday accommodation unit

**Permission with conditions**

12/02286/LBC: Mr Andrew Walter, Wig House, Castle Farm, Studley  
Installation of 21 nos of roof mounted solar PV panels on the south facing roof slope of an existing self catering holiday accommodation unit

**Permission with conditions**

12/02269/FUL: Mr Rob Hooper, The Railway Inn, Station Road, Studley  
Removal of polycarb roof to rear extension and replacement with a new timber monopitch roof with felt finish  
**Permission with conditions**

1202030/FUL: Mr Seamus Roche (S&A Properties), 21B Alcester Road, Studley  
Proposed change of use of part of first floor from gym to residential (2 x 1 bed and 2 x 2 bed apartments) and external alterations  
**Permission with conditions**

## **11. Planning Notification/Amended/Additional Details**

12/02284/FUL: Proposed alterations to existing former public library (D1) external car parking and dropped kerb

## **12. District and County Council Reports**

### **County Councillor Clive Rickhards reported the following:-**

- Cllr Rickhards opened the Abbeyfields Illuminations during w/c 10 December 2012
- The Abbeyfields project were awarded part of the £5k available from his Members Grant. The remainder went to a Parenting Project, a Shed Alarms Initiative and refurbishment of Coughton Cemetery
- A lot of time spent recently in various meetings on educational issues
- Queried the effects of Schools Funding reforms on small schools and special needs provision – there is some protection for 2 years via a Minimum Funding Guarantee
- Council debated on 18 December how to use £3.75 million of General Reserves to boost growth. The Programme involves small business loans, the stimulation of Apprenticeships, Broadband funding and revitalising town centres and market towns
- Council is urging the implementation of the Dilnot Report on funding social care delayed since 2010
- Council decided to try to implement a scheme across the County involving Energy Switching – the bulk switching of energy suppliers
- Has once more written formally to request the repair of the Barley Mow Island and for it to be given a higher priority

### **District Councillor Paul Beaman reported the following:-**

- Motion on changing standards on energy efficiency in homes, all new builds go to a minimum of 4
- Agreed to move to elections once every 4 years – next election 2015
- Boundary Commission Review is likely to see a reduction in number of councillors, 40-45 instead of 53 councillors. Review of boundaries is likely to see changes.
- Report on call out times received from Paul Morley at Alcester Fire Station. Currently meeting required times. To be kept under review.

### 13. Correspondence

#### Stratford District Council

**Min 194:** Parish Review – Democratic Services

#### Warwickshire County Council - None

#### Other –

**Min 195:** Came & Company Insurance – Increased frequency in Public Liability Claims  
**Proposed Cllr Bacon, seconded Cllr Redman, voting unanimous that Clerk implements weekly inspections of Skatepark and play equipment and that a record of inspection is kept.**

**Min 196:** HLN Architects Ltd – notification of forthcoming planning application

**Min 197:** Electrical Safety Register – Clerk to update website with information

**Min 198:** Seasons greetings from local businesses

#### For Circulation

**Min 199:** Alcester North Safer Neighbourhood Team Community Newsletter

**Min 200:** VASA – Voluntary Action Stratford on Avon District

**Min 201:** NHS – Warwickshire Annual Report 2012

**Min 202:** Police & Crime Commissioner

**Min 203:** The Voice of Local Councils

### 14. Delegates Reports – None

### 15. Approve Accounts for payment

**Proposed Cllr Redman, seconded Cllr Mrs M Woodrow, voting in favour 8 and 1 abstention that the schedule of cheques for payment be approved.**

Payments sheet 18 December 2012

Payee	Chq No.	Amount
HMRC	152	625.38
Salary	153	807.39
Salary	154	1136.23
Excel Ltd	155	34.93
GS Adams	156	666.85
Cancelled	157	-
M Hickton	158	200.00
Aldermore Invoice Finance Ltd	159	36.00
Mrs L Stanton	160	10.62
Redditch Skip Hire	161	183.60
Lyreco Ltd	162	87.79
Mrs L Gailey	163	32.50
British Telecom	DD	213.34

### 16. Date of next Parish Council Meeting – 8<sup>th</sup> January 2013.

**17. Meeting closed at 8.30pm**

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