

Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday, 20th April 2010 at 7.30pm.

1. Chairman declared the meeting open

2. Present

Chair Mrs S. Redman, Vice Chair C. Rickhards, E. Holder, P. Beaman, W. McCarthy, Mrs M Woodrow, J. Bacon, Mrs H. Wersocki, Mrs A. Wade, M. Redman.
District Councillors Mrs H. Wright, M. Weddell.

3. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received and noted from:

Cllr P. Tedd – illness

Cllr J. Vale – holiday.

Apologies from Cllrs E. Holder & W. McCarthy for late arrival

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.

None.

5. Public Forum

None.

6. To Pass the Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes were received and approved and signed by the Chairman.

7. Matters Arising (*for information only*)

Min 406: Observation from Cllr Beaman that too much time was spent discussing the item concerning the precept in the last meeting.

Min 368: CCTV Camera now installed in the village hall

Min 2: Thank you from SDC for the response concerning the appointment of Parish Council representatives on the Standard & Ethics Committee.
Views will be reported at their meeting in June.

8. Items for Discussion

Min 20: Cllr Rickhards Studley Car Boot Sale:

There has been traffic chaos in the village the last two Sundays since the Car Boot restarted. The High Street and Station Road were gridlocked and parking especially John Close, Kiln Close and Brickyard Lane is a continuing problem. These areas are the worst affected. May need to bring agencies together to see if anything can be done. The chance was missed a few years ago when a planning application was submitted for extra days trading. Conditions could have been put in place. Clerk to write to Mrs Quinney concerning the placement of the cones and monitoring as people just either move them or park in between. Advertisement boards should not be placed so traffic comes through Studley and they should not be put up in Studley at all. Clerk to contact the Police and Sambourne Parish Council about our concerns.

9. Planning Applications for Consideration

None.

Cllr Beaman confirmed that Planning applications for Sibcas, Cranhills and 17, Station Road were being discussed at the next Planning Committee meeting in Stratford. As we have objected to Sibcas and Cranhills a Councillor should attend if possible.

10. Planning Decisions Received

- 10/00062/FUL Mr A. Smith, 14, Marble Alley, Studley –
Change of use from shop (Class A1) to Office (Class B1)
Permission with Conditions 30th March 2010.
- 10/00373/FUL Mr & Mrs Tomlinson, 2A, Holt Road, Studley –
Increase in ridge height of existing dwelling including dormers to front and first floor extensions to create additional first floor accommodation. Erection of porch & replacement garage to side
Permission with Conditions 9th April 2010.

11. District and County Council Reports

None

No County Council Report available.

12. Correspondence

SDC

Min 21 Appointment of new Street Scene Manager Olly Schofield. Other officers details and outline of services provided by Streetscene Dept. Copy to Councillors.

- Min 22 Official Statement of persons nominated for election of County Councillor. Mrs J. Abbott (Labour), Justin Kerridge (Conservative), C. Rickhards (Lib Dem) and Kern Varga (Green Party).
- Min 23 Official Statement of persons nominated for Stratford District, Studley Ward. J. Abbott (Labour), W. McCarthy (Conservative) and Hazel Wright (Liberal Democrats).
- Min 24 Planning Application 10/00048/VARY, Sibcas Ltd. Agreement sought to to have a 30 metre exclusion zone against eastern boundary with neighbouring properties. This area would be retained with existing restriction of 2 units high. Also condition to be imposed that operators cannot stack more than 3 units high. Clerk to respond that application is still a Health and Safety issue and our original objections remain.
- Min 25 South Warwickshire Tourism. SDC committed to supporting tourism across the District. Views of Market Towns required to get an idea of what provision is required in their respective areas. Responses by 23rd April 2010. Clerk to email to Cllr Beaman. Council would like to take part. Good idea to have Tourist Information in Studley Library.

WCC

None.

Other

- Min 26 Media release for information proposal for new power for Parish Councils to boost affordable Rural Housing that will allow a limited number of affordable homes to be built in rural villages without the need for individual Planning Applications where Parish Council's backed new homes. 10-15 new affordable homes could be built when Parish Councils have set out clear evidence and design expectations. Parishes with less than 3,000 residents are eligible. NALC is looking forward to participating in the consultation.
- Min 27 SLCC Training course Thursday 13th May on Health, Safety and reducing Risk 10am – 4pm in Daventry, Northampton £95 + VAT.
- Min 28 Mrs S. Higgins- Re: Allocation of Allotment Plot and email from Allotment Association. Formal complaint about family's exclusion.
Resolved that a meeting be arranged before 29th April with the Allotment Association, Mrs Higgins and members of the Parish Council to try resolve the issue.

Correspondence for Circulation

- Min 29 Weekly Rural Focus
- Min 30 Country Matters
- Min 31 SLCC Warks and West Midlands Branch Newsletter

13. Committee Reports

Minutes of the Playbuilding Funding Committee held on Tuesday, 6th April 2010 handed to all Councillors.

Summary:

- Following meeting on Saturday 20th March only representatives from St Marys Catholic Junior School and the Scout Group turned up. As it has to be Community lead not sure a way forward can be found.
- If the Parish Council cannot demonstrate any other support we will not be able to progress further with grant application which needs to be in by 1st July.
- SQUIG money to be 'ring fenced'. Perhaps the Trim Trail could now become a long term project and funding to be obtained from elsewhere.
- Concern about lack of support, could advertise in Orbit Housing Magazine and Parish Newsletter.
- Cllr Holder to look at what funding is available.

14. Delegates Reports

Cllr Rickhards: Studley Improvement Partnership (SIP) met with WCC Highway Engineers concerning a series of proposals to change various waiting times on High Street and Alcester Road to help local businesses. Consultations with the Parish Council will take place.

Cllr Redman: Studley Sports and Social Club meeting arranged for 26th May 2010 to meet with representatives of the Parish Council to discuss requirements and funding issues. Cllrs M. Redman, Mrs S. Redman, P. Beaman and J. Bacon to attend. Copy of the De Jong Report would be beneficial if one can be found.

Cllr E. Holder: Youth Club Management Committee meeting on 19th April 2010. Membership improving now have 20-30 members. Funding for Junior Club and Integrated Youth Council with various agencies such as Connexions joining together. This will help the Youth Club. Good news is that Studley is not earmarked for closure. The outside of the Youth Club is to be refurbished and the wall of the basketball court to be used for graffiti art. Core budget for Youth Services has a shortfall of £300,000. Studley's budget is the same this year but there could be an impact next year. Hoping to get the Youth involved in Community projects and hopefully rent out the Youth Club for weekends to try and earn some extra money. After school club 4.30pm – 6pm proving popular.

15. Approve Accounts for Payment

Proposed Cllr McCarthy that the schedule of cheques for payment be approved, seconded Cllr Mrs A. Wade Voting unanimous.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, 4th May 2010

Meeting closed 8.45pm

