Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday 20th September 2005 at 7.30pm.

1. Public Forum

None.

2. Chairman declared the meeting open

3. Present

Chairman P. Beaman, Vice Chair M. Pittaway, W. McCarthy, S. Phipps, Mrs A. Wade, J. Vale, J. Bacon, Mrs S. Redman, M. Redman. County Councillor Mrs H. McCarthy, 2 members of the public.

4. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mrs M. Woodrow, Mrs H. Wersocki.

5. Declarations of Interest

Cllr J. Vale – Min. 190 - Prejudicial Interest

6. To Pass the Minutes of the Last Meeting

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

7. Matters Arising

- Min 151 Clarkes Green Farm earth bunding. Planning application has now been submitted.
- Min 203 Waste Core Strategy for Worcestershire. Workshops in Bromsgrove, Evesham & Worcs. Reply required by 29th September 2005 if attending.

8. Items for Discussion

- Min 217 Trustees required for Parish Land Charities & Millennium Green Trust.
 - a) Parish Land Charity 2 trustees required from Parish Council. Cllr
 W. McCarthy already a trustee. Cllr Mrs Wade volunteered to be the other. Clerk to write to A. Daniels to inform him.
 - b) Millennium Green Trust C. Dyer and G. Marshall trustees at present. Replacement required following death of G. Harris. Clerk to write for more information.
- Min 190 Quotes for repairs to boundary fence, 10 Monks Drive and Allotments. Cllr Vale left the room during the discussion. To be referred to Amenities Committee. Meeting to take place at 7.00pm on 4th October 2005 followed by meeting of Grants Committee.

9. Planning Applications

05/02094/OUT

Mrs M Baker, Land rear of 34 &36 Node Hill,

Studley.

Additional Information

Erection of six dwellings. with garaging, access

road & other associated works.

Objection: re-iterate comments to previous

application.

05/02384/FUL

Mr M McCann, Clarkes Green Farm, Clarkes

Green, Studley,

Erection of earth bunding to north east boundary

(retrospective).

Objection: not told height of the bund. Parish Council consider that bund should not be

higher then 6' with an angle of no more than

45 degrees. It should also fit in with

surrounding area.

05/02571/FUL

Mr R Wright, Land adj 2, Node Hill, Studley.

Erection of 1 no. detached dwelling.

Objection: overlooking property No.2 Node

Hill, lack of privacy.

05/02589/FUL

Shirley Park Amusements, Land rear of, 11

Alcester Road, Studley.

Erection of 8 flats.

Objection:

- 1. None of the neighbouring properties have been consulted and it is important that they have the opportunity to comment.
- 2. Overbearing and overlooking neighbouring properties, lack of privacy.
- 3. Lack of parking facilities.
- 4. Access a problem. Utility vehicles will have difficulty in turning.
- 5. Over development of site, three storeys in height. Totally out of character for the Village. Require single or one storey dwellings.

05/02387/TEL 56

Vodafone Ltd., Land off A488, Middletown Lane. 12m high timber clad streetworks pole with 3 no. antenna (located within shroud) together with equipment cabinets and ancillary development

thereto.

Objection: in the Parish of Sambourne, but already a mast at top of Node Hill and mast sharing should be encouraged.

10. District and County Council Reports

District Council report given by Cllr P. Beaman

Copy handed to all Councillors.

County Councillor Report given by Cllr Mrs H. McCarthy

Copy handed to all Councillors.

11. Correspondence

SDC

Min 218 Stratford on Avon Area Committee meeting Wednesday, 21st September 2005 at 4.30pm. Elizabeth House.

WCC

None

Other

- Min 219 Local Works Campaign for the Sustainable Communities Bill Notice of public meeting Thursday, 29th September 2005 7.30pm-9.30pm South Yardley library.
- Min 220 St Mary's Parish Church query to mains water supply that could also be brought through to the cemetery and if Parish Council interested in sharing costs. Clerk to write for more information about costs.
- Min 221 Studley Skatepark, preparing visuals for meeting later in September.

Correspondence for Circulation

Min 222 WMRCC Network Policy Paper

Min 223 WRCC Country Matters

Min 224 Covetry & Warcs Learning Consortium

Min 225 The Clerk

Min 226 Age Concern Newsletter

Min 227 Clerks & Councils Direct

Min 228 Communications Strategy – Parish Council Survey Results 2005

Min 229 PIE Reports (April – June 2005)

Min 230 Local Council Review

12. Committee Reports

None

13. Delegates Reports

a) Studley Sports & Social Club Meeting: no one available to attend.

Cllr W. McCarthy awaiting meeting to see what work is still required to be completed for the grant to be paid.

Cllr Pittaway spoke to Chairman of SSSC concerning advertising of the Club. This is at present being pursued.

b) Action Studley report given by Cllr W. McCarthy

Quiz night being arranged for Wednesday, 23rd November 2005. Would be good if Councillors could attend. Money to go towards Christmas lights.

c) Public Open Space meeting report given by Cllr W. McCarthy Meeting with Cllr McCarthy, Mike Ashley SDC and a few residents. Land to be mainly wild life with minimum maintenance. Details of proposals for lease of land to be sent from SDC.

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 S. Phipps. Voting unanimous.

15. Urgent Business

Min 231 Result of Britain in Bloom: report in local newspaper refers to Studley being sad and neglected.

- Letter sent by Mrs Wersocki to Co-op enclosing copy of newspaper report and stating concerns about the Co-op site which is a total disgrace. Suggested meeting to discuss ways of improving situation. Copy handed to all Councillors. Would like similar letter to be sent to Co-op from Parish Council plus letter to Environmental Health about the mess being caused by pigeons roosting on the building.
- Co-op site has been reported to Enforcement Officer, SDC but as Co-op are awaiting decision on planning application they are unwilling to tidy up.
- Studley Action concerned about litter.
- When WCC clear paths that are their responsibility, safety is first priority.
 Not enough money to do everything.
- Alcester have started Civic Pride to help clear up their town.
- Studley Action could ask for list of people who would pull up weeds, clear litter in their area. Would improve appearance and might encourage other people to do the same.
- Suggestion to put item in newsletter with reply slip asking for volunteers.
- Need to approach larger businesses as well.
- Copy of letter sent by Mr & Mrs Daniels to SDC stating their concerns about litter and the state of the Village read out.
- Clerk to write to Co-op, Dillons, SDC re-iterating all points made by Mrs Wersocki and Mr & Mrs Daniels.

 Suggestion made by Cllr Mrs Redman that perhaps once a month Councillors could choose an area and clear it up. Parish Council could set an example. Start with Monks Drive. Clerk to check if rubbish still collected from Pool Road car park. Let everyone know in a couple of weeks, Saturday or Sunday morning clean up.

16. Chairman's Business

Min 232 Vandalism and Anti Social Behaviour: severe damage this weekend.

- Cars damaged outside Village Hall on Saturday night. Cricket bats and balls used, jumping on cars.
- Gate at entrance to Crooks Lane Recreation Ground damaged, bench broken. Also on Monday evening plants pulled out of planters in library area.
- Need to chase up renewal of Anti Social Behaviour Order.
- Report damage to Police and get incident no.
- Meeting to take place at Shire Hall on 11th October 2005 at 10.00am devoted to Policing. Members of the public allowed.
- Police morale very low due to Home Secretary's proposals to restructure policing.
- Query as to whether it is Studley youths causing vandalism. Need to know ages, where they come from to deal with problem. Problem is lack of resources, need to shout louder. Always been a problem of youths coming from Redditch.
- Clerk to write to Chief Constable with copy to County Councillor Richard Hobbs, do not agree with merger of forces.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, 4th October 2005

Meeting Closed 8.50pm