

Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday, 21st September 2010 at 7.30pm.

1. Chairman declared the meeting open

2. Present

Chairman C. Rickhards, P. Beaman, E. Holder, D. Somner, J. Bacon,
Mrs S. Redman, M. Redman, Mrs M. Woodrow, Mrs A. Wade, Mrs. H. Wersocki,
W. McCarthy.
District Councillor M. Weddell.

3. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received and noted from:
Cllr J. Vale – work commitment.
District Cllr Mrs H. Wright

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 McCarthy – Planning Application No.10/00914/FUL Personal Interest
Cllr Somner - Planning Application No. 10/01825/ADV Personal Interest

5. Public Forum

Cllr McCarthy: British Legion is holding a quiz night on Friday 8th October 2010 at 8.00pm at Studley Sports & Social Club. Hoping the Parish Council will send a team.

6. To Pass the Minutes of the Last Meeting

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

7. Matters Arising (*for information only*)

None.

8. Items for Discussion

Min 176 WCC Locality Review – Recommendations & Conclusions
Following discussion the Parish Council agree in principle with most of the recommendations and conclusions and made the following

comments:

- they think it depends which area you are in as to how successful the Community Forums are.
- Publicity for the Community Forums is already an issue even though they are advertised on the website, in newspapers, notice boards etc.
- Change of venue often does not help but it is understood why this happens.
- Agree that other partners are brought in to these meetings such as Health.
- Agree that the Community Forums would benefit from grant making function but this could be difficult in the current financial climate.
- Democratic Control of the Community Forum meetings should remain.

Min 195 Review of Waiting Restrictions, Studley

Require clarification from WCC concerning parking in Pool Road.

As there is no parking allowed along the recreation ground side of the road, and there is restricted parking along the opposite side due to the zig zag yellow lines outside the school the Councillors wish to know if parking would be allowed on these lines outside school hours. If this is the case they would have no objections.

Also concerns raised about parking bays outside the Estate Agents on the High Street which are on a dangerous bend where there has already been a serious head on collision. Would like these removed with no waiting there at any time.

Clerk to write to see if we can get a report of the Traffic Warden Patrols.

Min 113 Cllr Holder: Exercise Watermark

Certain areas are doing the main exercise. WCC would like to get Parish/Town Councils involved. List of various options for activities that Parish Council may wish to undertake during Exercise Watermark.

- Cannot see the point as Studley never floods to that extent.
- Two years ago there were floods around Studley creating difficulties for people getting in and out of the Village.
- Emergency Plan in place but never been tested.

Clerk to contact Mick Potter, Emergency Planning Officer to invite to a meeting.

Cllr Holder said that the Exercise Watermark evening was very good.

Min 207 Cllr Mrs Wersocki: Henley in Arden & Studley Area Property Review
Important that representatives from the Parish Council attend these meetings and if no one available could the Clerk or her Assistant go? Perhaps in future ask for meetings to be held at an alternative time as Parish Councillors cannot always attend due to work commitments.
Clerk to write that the comment in the minutes regarding the Sports & Social Club should read that it is a Village Club not a Private Club.

Min 208 Cllr Mrs Wade: Total Place Workshop Project

- Attended the workshop held in the Village Hall together with Cllrs Beaman, Weddell, Mrs Wright and the Clerk.
- Churches were not involved so Cllr Wade invited Ian Olliver from the Baptist Church.
- Scouts and Brownies were not invited. Organisers realised that they had not invited voluntary organisations.
- Studley has been identified as area with health and inequality deprivation.
- Pilot study to amalgamate all agencies together.
- Poor perception of young people and anti social behaviour.
- Studley has not received any money for initiatives.
- Focus of attention is young people aged 13-23 years. Need to get young people together to instigate next step.

Cllr Mrs Wade made the point that it would be hard to get people involved due to the loss of the Fire Station and problems with the library. If, for a third time, no one listens people will be turned off totally. At present there is no funding only for a Consultant. Very cynical that nothing will come out of this; there will be another report and then it will all go away. Proof of the pudding is who is invited to the meeting, no one who can make any difference.

9. Planning Applications for Consideration (Cllr Beaman refrained from voting)

- 10/01406/FUL Mr C Preen, Hardwick Barn, Hardwick Lane, Studley.
Proposed two storey infill extension.
Query received from SDC concerning this planning application which was discussed at the last meeting.
The Councillors are concerned that an annex has been added in the past without planning permission which would make the cumulative development over 26%. They wish to maintain their objection as inappropriate development in the green belt.
- 10/01687/FUL Mr F Kilburn, 49 Bromsgrove Road, Studley.
Erection of two metre high timber fence (retrospective).
No representation.
- 10/01758/FUL Mr S Frampton, 4 Highfield Road, Studley.
Erection of new dwelling.
No representation.

10/00914/FUL Mr V Dunlop, Roys Bikes, 94 Alcester Road, Studley.
Retention of two A1 Retail units with creation of 2 no. residential units on first and second floor. Demolition of existing outbuildings and erection of 2 no. two storey dwelling houses to rear.
Cllr McCarthy left the room whilst this plan was being discussed and refrained from voting.

Support for the following planning reasons:

- 1. In keeping with the surrounding area.**
- 2. Use of brownfield site providing affordable homes.**
- 3. Retention of business use as well as residential.**
- 4. Parking provided.**

10/01825/ADV Co-operative Group Ltd., Co-operative Retail Services, Alcester Road, Studley.
Proposed fascia sign and 2 x totem signs.
No representation.

10. Planning Decisions Received

10/01252/FUL Mr R Crawford-Paul, 21 Knottesford Close, Studley.
Erection of conservatory to side and single storey extensions to front.
Permission with conditions 4th September 2010

Cllr Beaman: Planning Application No.09/00749/FUL 38 Gunners Lane, Studley.
Appeal allowed – item on next agenda.

11. District and County Council Reports

Cllr Weddell: the District Council is finding it difficult to make the savings required.

Cllr Beaman: notification that Care Homes are on the agenda for future Community Forums meetings.

No County Council Report available.

12. Correspondence

SDC

Min 209 Deadline for review of open space, sport and leisure provision questionnaire extended to 15th October 2010.

WCC

- Min 210 Henley/Studley Community Forum meeting will be held in Studley Youth and Community Centre on Thursday, 7th October 2010 at 7.30pm.
Informal surgery between 7.00 – 7.00pm.

Other

- Min 211 Letter received from Mr A Cale expressing disappointment in the way Dunstall Allotments are judged. Often plots away from the drive are not looked at which is unfair. Suggestion that ploholders enter for awards in future.
Clerk to respond that all plots are looked at, no one is excluded.
- Min 212 Thank you from Studley Baptist Church for the grant to allow a group of children to visit Ragley. They had a very enjoyable day. Invoices attached to show how money was used.
- Min 213 Confirmation that the Remembrance Day Parade will take place on Sunday, 14th November 2010. Parade to assemble at 9.30am for 9.50am start.
- Min 214 NALC:
- i) Changes to Big Lottery Grant Funding on the possibility that Parish Councils will no longer be able to apply. Responses by 15th October 2010.
 - ii) Local (Parish and Town) Council Elections 2011. Copy letter from NALC on views of a possible referendum next May. For information.
 - iii) Legal Briefing: Independence of Parish Councils Internal Audit guide to making sure internal audit are sufficiently independent of the other financial controls and procedures of the council and are subject to review.

Correspondence for Circulation

- Min 215 SLCC Notice of AGM Saturday 16th October 2010
Min 216 LCR Autumn 2010
Min 217 Warwickshire Public Health Roadshows – details
Min 218 The Clerk
Min 219 The Standards for England Bulletin
Min 220 ICT Workshops & Stratford District Council
Min 221 CPRE re Planning Application Rosebank, Binton

13. Committee Reports

None.

14. Delegates Reports

Report on the Youth Club given by Cllr Holder:

Had a good summer with days out and projects. The Club was also open some days during the Summer Holidays. AGM will take place on Monday, 11th October 2010 at 7.00pm. Youth Club has risen since Rob McCluskey returned. Youths will be doing a presentation at the next Community Forum meeting.

15. Approve Accounts for Payment

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

Direct Debit SDC Office Rates £125.00.

Direct Debit PWLB ½ yearly skatepark loan repayment £3110.63.

676 – Mrs D E Mitchell £1384.67. 677 – Mrs S Perks £603.42.

678 – Inland Revenue £678.38. 679 – BT £80.22.

680 – Bromsgrove & Redditch Trophies £47.50. 681 – G Gardner £67.50.

682 – Lyreco UK Ltd £144.10.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, 5th October 2010

Meeting closed 9.25pm

Signed: Chairman