

Studley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday, 24th January 2012 at 7.30pm.

1. Present

Chairman P. Beaman, Vice Chair Mrs S Redman, Mrs M. Woodrow, J. Bacon, M Redman, E Holder, C Rickhards. Mrs A Wade, J King.
District Councillor Mrs H. Wright.
M. Barry and K. Skidmore – 1st Responders

2. Apologies for Absence – Cllr A Smith – Business, Cllr A Clarke - Illness,

3. 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 & Cllr Rickhards Item 8 Min 376 Studley Library – personal interest
Cllr Beaman Item 15 Accounts – personal interest
Cllr E. Holder Item 5 – personal interest.

4. Public Forum

None

5. Update from Studley 1st Responders

Thank you to the Parish Council for their donation. Now have a liveried car plus radio which has proved invaluable as now only called out when needed. Carried our 104 jobs over Christmas but 150 in total.

Have been adopted by Redditch Lions and have received great support from them as well as funding. Recently have received an anonymous donation from a Lions member for a further vehicle, which is on the process of being liveried. When both cars in service will have more coverage.

Further responder being trained at present and should be operational by early summer. This will mean Studley will have four in total. Still looking for further volunteers.

Training being undertaken to become qualified as Medical 1st Responder and then can give out medication.

Fund raising continuing. Car Boot sale at Studley Sports and Social Club being organised. Co-op could also be contacted to become the Charity of the year in 2013.

Mr Barry attended a local call out over Christmas and the nearest ambulance was from Ross on Wye. This is of concern to the Parish Council as in essence as the 1st Responder is on the scene the call out time target has been met but in reality this is not the case. The Council feel that it is totally unacceptable that the Ambulance Service is absolved of their responsibility when a 1st Responder attends an incident. Should be ascertained how many Ambulance calls received, response time and response time when 1st Responders attend the scene. Ambulances travelling huge distances not acceptable.

Resolved that Clerk is to write to Coventry and Warwickshire NHS.

Information on work of the 1st Responders to be included in next newsletter.

6. To Pass the Minutes of the Last Meeting

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

7. Matters Arising (*for information only*)

Min 297 CAB Outreach in Studley – acknowledgment received from Sue Green thanking Parish Council for the offer of a grant in sum of £500 in April 2012 and for continued use of a room within the village hall free of charge. Will keep the Parish Council informed.

8. Items for Discussion

Min 226 Village Hall Deed of Surrender – Cllr Beaman

- If all Councillors happy with the wording of the Deed of Surrender can be agreed. Do not need to agree the Management Agreement as decision can then be made how the Parish Council would like the Village Hall to operate.
- If the Parish Council take over the Parish Council as a 'Body' would be responsible and not individuals.
- The Deed of Surrender is supplemental to the lease which will be handed back to the Parish Council when the Deed is signed.
- Cllr Mrs S. Redman queried if the Deed had been looked at by the Parish Council's Solicitors, perhaps this should be done to make sure everything is transparent but would need another firm of solicitors as the Parish Council also use Thomas Guise.
- It was felt by the majority of the Council that this was not required as if there had been any conflict of interest it would have been discovered as the Deed is a joint agreement.
- The Council agreed in principle at earlier meeting when discussions took place and cannot see any problem with proceeding.

Proposed Cllr J. Bacon Seconded Cllr Mrs A. Wade that the Deed of Surrender be accepted.

Voting unanimous.

Cllr P. Beaman did not vote as will be signing the Deed on behalf of the Village Hall Management Committee.

- It was decided that a Sub – Committee meeting be arranged to discuss the Management Agreement . The Parish Council should decide what is in the agreement. Cllr Bacon stated that the Parish Council had not voted on the acceptance of responsibility for the running of the hall only the Deed of Surrender.

Proposed Cllr Beaman that the Parish Council should accept responsibility for running the hall Seconded Cllr Holder. Voting 7 For 1 Against and 1 abstention.

- The finer details of the Management Agreement will be agreed on how it will be run. Needs to be in place by 1st April 2012. Meeting to be arranged.

Min 376 Studley Library

Talk Talk sign in place both in the Village Hall and on website acknowledging funding.

Funding should be received within the next two weeks. Cllr Beaman received an email from Corporate Supply Dept for invoices. These are not required as receiving a grant. Cllr Rickhards will chase up if there is a problem.

Training in early March for 12 volunteers.

Library will open in the Village Hall on 3rd April 2012

There will be a timetable for opening and hopefully there will be an official opening.

Telephone and broadband line has been ordered.

Would be an advantage if became a 'One Stop Shop.'

Min 307

Young Fire fighter Provision for transport following closure of fire station in 2013.

At a recent meeting Bill and Helen McCarthy queried what facility is in place to continue with the Young Fire fighters in Studley once the fire station is closed in March 2013 and if necessary transport be provided for them to Alcester. Would like to check if agreement still in place for them to continue. Cllr Rickhards attending a Fire Service Briefing on 25th January and will pursue this on behalf of the Young Firefighters. Would like to see proposals in place before the closure. Cllr Rickhards to report back at 21st February meeting.

**9. Planning Applications for Consideration –
(Cllrs Beaman and Holder refrained from voting)**

12/00031/FUL Mr Ronald Wright, Land to the rear of 2, Node Hill Close
Proposed erection of 2 no. dwellings on land to the rear of
2, Node Hill, Studley.
No representation.

11/00740/FUL *Amendment and Additional Information*
Mr A. Clarke, Unit 1&2 Marble Alley, Studley
Conversion of existing retail and commercial premises
including external alterations to create 9 new dwellings.
1. Additional marketing information
2. No designated car parking justification/strategy.
Objection to car parking justification/strategy.
**Both Marble Alley and Co-op car park are subject to
time restrictions through the day. This will put extra
pressure on neighbouring roads where there are already
parking issues. Also in conflict with Policy DEV5 and
will have a detrimental effect on traffic and road safety.**

10. Planning Decisions Received –

11/01698/FUL Mr Chris Undery, 40 Node Hill, Studley, B80 7RG
Proposed erection of single storey side & rear extension.
Proposed canopy to front.
Permission subject to conditions 19 December 2011

11. District and County Council Reports

- District Councillors Report by Cllr Wright on Stratford District Councils draft Core Strategy. Principles laid down in the Parish Plan and meetings with the officers of SDC and the Parish Council about retaining employment land on Birmingham Road and suggestions of alternative areas for housing development have all been ignored. No account taken into consideration of the characteristics of Studley, Air Quality issues and the closeness to Redditch.
- Proposed that Winyates Triangle be taken out of the green belt.
- SDC willing to see sections taken out of green belt in Studley. Important that the distance between Studley and Redditch is retained.
- No scope for further development on the A435 which already has flooding and traffic issues.
- Lots of ambiguity with the total number of houses required for Studley. When amendments put in a copy will be given to the Parish Council.
- It is imperative that the Parish Council produce a Neighbourhood Plan.

- As strategy not in place at SDC developers are taking advantage and applications for large developments are being put in. Alcester already having problems.

County Councillor Report given by Cllr Rickhards

- Attended a Transport seminar at Stratford Area Committee. Delighted that Studley has received all that was initially allocated. Contributory factor being that WCC recognise the routes involved have had a record of 60 accidents in 3 years.
- A route treatment involving signing, lining, cats eyes, hedge trimming and surfacing of the carriageway is the intended strategy.
- A4092 and A448 between A435 junction and Redditch boundary £6,000.
- A435 between M42 and B4093 junction in Studley (shared with Henley) £8,000.
- A4093 junction in Studley to A46 junction in Alcester (shared with Alcester) £8,000
- Speed limit review for Mappleborough Green which has implications for Studley - £8,000.
- Proposed parking restrictions relating to Studley Car Boot sale proving problematic as a number of residents feel that freedom being impinged with restricted parking 8am – 12 noon on a Sunday April – October.
- If Governments Economic Strategy continues in the Spending Review following WCC should likely have 3 years savings at an average of £20m per year.

12. Correspondence

SDC

Min 308 Consultation period for third draft core strategy – The policy team has been collecting views following feedback from previous workshops attended by members of the Parish Council concerning ideas for the future development for the District and local area. Will be considered at meeting of the Council's Cabinet on 6th February and a public consultation will follow in mid February.

Clerk to write to make sure our comments made previously will be taken into consideration.

Min 309 Road repairs to Barley Mow Island planned to take place over two Sundays – 4th and 11th March 2012. The island will be resurfaced and it is anticipated it will be a vast improvement to the road surface.

Min 310 The mini recycling centre situated at the Jubilee Inn is to be removed at their request. Residents can still recycle all materials accepted at the centre using the household collection service. Clerk has already sent ideas of where it can be re-sited.

WCC

- Min 311 Warwickshire County Council propose to make an order under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to vary the existing order to introduce areas of No Waiting At Any Time and a Market Day restriction to prevent parking on Sundays between 8am and 12 noon. Clerk to write in support of the scheme with a suggestion of parking for residents.

Other

- Min 312 Request from Studley Improvement Partnership seeking a financial contribution to erect a Ladder sign in the village indicating what services and shops are available.

SIP to carry out a residents survey in September feel that as the Parish Council will be undertaking a Neighbourhood plan at the same time seems sensible that SIP and Studley Parish Council work together. Council agreed that this would be a very sensible approach.

Proposed Cllr Holder seconded Cllr Mrs S. Redman that £100 be given towards funding for Ladder sign and work together with SIP and SDC on Neighbourhood plan at a cost of £100 towards the survey.

Voting unanimous.

- Min 313 Charles Barlow has been confirmed in the post of Lead Officer for VASA on a permanent basis.
- Min 314 VASA reintroducing voluntary sector forum (VSP) meetings for 2012 The first meeting will take place on 25th April 2012 at NFU Sports & Social Club, Tiddington 10am – 12.30pm
- Min 315 WALC Annual Briefing Seminar Saturday 3rd March at Myton School, Warwick. Mrs L. Gailey, Cllrs P. Beaman, E. Holder, J. Bacon, M. Redman and Mrs A. Wade to attend.
- Min 316 WALC Stratford Area Liaison meeting for Parish and Town Councils will take place on Tuesday 7th February 2012 at 5.30pm at Elizabeth House. Cllr Mrs A. Wade to attend.
Clerk to organise a parking pass.
- Min 317 Digley Associates will be undertaking the Annual Inspection of the Play Equipment on Recreation ground in next 4 – 8 weeks.
- Min 318 Fields in Trust invitation to join in a nationwide project to create a network of protected green spaces to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.
- Min 319 The Summer Festival at Studley Sports and Social Club will be held on Saturday 14th July 2012. Parish Council will be attending.
- Min 320 Studley Youth Theatre is looking to put together a Variety Performance with popular songs and dances of 20th Century and may include a performance for the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations.

- Min 321 Les Greenwood of Greenwood Planning wishes to attend a meeting of the Parish Council to give a presentation and discuss the potential redevelopment of Heat Store, 2, Redditch Road. Will attend a meeting at 7pm 7th February prior to the Parish Council meeting.
- Min 322 Appeal for 90B, Alcester Road, Studley for the erection of new one bedroom dwelling has been allowed.
- Min 323 Studley British Legion are holding a Quiz Night on Friday 10th February at 7.30pm. The Parish Council will have a team.
- Min 324 Amendment received for the Local Topic Note (LTN)79 December 2011
- Min 325 Clerk Mrs Dorothy Mitchell has tendered her resignation from the Parish Council with effect from 1st February 2012 giving 3 months notice.

Correspondence for Circulation

- Min 326 Warwickshire Police Alcester North Safer Neighbourhood Team Community Newsletter.
- Min 327 Henley & Studley Community Forum Notes 15th December 2011
- Min 328 Behind the Scenes Newsletter Henley /Studley Community Forum
- Min 329 Warwickshire County Council Press Releases:-
- First of the Community Libraries launches at Kineton
 - Road Closure re-routes 222 buses
 - Library opening hours decision
 - Stratford Parkway railway station contractor appointed
- Min 330 Clerks & Councillors Direct
- Min 331 The Clerk Magazine
- Min 332 SIP meeting notes for meeting on 10th January 2012

Committee Reports

None

13. Delegates Reports

Cllr Holder: Last meeting of the Management Committee of the Youth Club to take place on Wednesday 8th February. Anna Stowe still off sick and is continuing to be run by Loz in her absence.

Programme of events have been organised for the Spring.

May be writing to the Parish Council for a small grant.

14. Approve Accounts for Payment

During this item Cllr Beaman left the room.

Proposed Cllr Holder the schedule of cheques for payment be approved, Seconded Cllr Mrs M. Woodrow Voting 8 in favour and 1 abstention.

Cheques

Cheque Number	Payee	Amount Paid
938	D E Mitchell	£1353.70
939	L Gailey	£ 634.42
940	Inland Revenue	598.18
941	SLCC	£175.00
942	npower	£4320.73
943	Excel Telecomm	£243.60
944	Aries Entertainment	£354.00
945	Plyvine Caters	£116.40
946	County Air Ambulance	£65.00
DD	Siemens	£413.40

**The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for
Tuesday 7th February 2012**

Meeting closed 9.30pm

Signed: Chairman