# **Studley Parish Council**

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held in the Council Chamber, Studley Village Hall on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2007 at 7.30pm.

#### 1. Present

Chairman Cllr P. Beaman, Vice Chair J. Bacon, E. Holder, G. Noke, Mrs M. Woodrow, M. Redman, Mrs S. Redman, W. McCarthy, Mrs M. Bell, J. Vale.

County Councillor Mrs H. McCarthy, District Councillor M. Weddell. Village Hall Management Committee Barbara Beaman, Joyce Pitman, Denis Charlton.

#### 2. Election of Chairman

Proposed Cllr Holder that Cllr Beaman be re-elected as Chairman, seconded Cllr Mrs Bell

Proposed Cllr Redman that Cllr McCarthy be elected as Chairman, seconded Cllr Mrs Redman.

Voting 5 votes each.

As per Local Council Administration existing Chairman has the casting vote.

Cllr Beaman elected as Chairman for a further year.

## 3. Apologies for Absence

District Councillor Mrs H. Wright, Cllrs Mrs H. Wersocki, C. Rickhards.

#### 4. Declarations of Interest

None.

### 5. Chairman's Report

Read out by Cllr Beaman, copy handed to all Councillors. Copy attached.

#### 6. To Receive the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Form signed by Cllr P. Beaman.

#### 7. Election of Vice Chairman

Proposed Cllr Beaman that Cllr Bacon be re-elected as Vice Chairman, seconded Cllr Holder. Voting unanimous. Cllr Bacon elected as Vice Chairman for a further year.

#### 8. Minutes of the Last Annual Meeting

Already accepted and signed as a true record of the meeting.

# 9. To Agree Dates & Venue of Council Meetings for the Year 31st March 2007

List of dates previously handed to all Councillors. All agreed and approved.

## 10. Membership of Committees

Membership agreed. Copy to be handed to all Councillors at next meeting. Meetings to be arranged.

#### 11. To Agree Cheque Signatories and sign appropriate Bank Mandate

Mandate to be available at next meeting for signature.

#### 12. Presentation of Accounts

Village Hall Management Committee

# Accounts presented by Denis Charlton (Copy handed to Parish Council)

#### Summary:

- Tendered resignation from Village Hall Management Committee but having been 'keeper of the cash' for some time, final duty to present the accounts for 2006.
- Committee very grateful to the Parish Council for sharing the costs of the security fencing around the Village Hall.
- The bookings and income were looking very sparse but by the end of the year finances had recovered and bookings increased. Now in a stable position.
- The Coffee Break Club is a feature of the Village and very much appreciated. It also supports numerous events.
- The Film Club is also contributing to the well being of the Hall.
- Thanks to the Chairman of the Village Hall Committee have reduced the premium for insurance.
- After 15 years on Committee happy to depart when the accounts are in a comfortable position.

Congratulations from Cllr McCarthy to Denis for his very hard work and hope he has a big rest. Thanks from Cllr Beaman on behalf of the behalf of the Parish Council.

# Report of the Chairman of the Village Hall Management Committee Presented by Mrs Barbara Beaman (Copy handed to Parish Council) Summary:

- Last year has been particularly trying as it started with continued fall off in the bookings due
  to the problems with youths congregating under the canopy. With the help of the Parish
  Council security fencing was installed, and although there were a few complaints, the
  benefits have been immense.
- The Coffee Break Team have continued to offer a first class service contributing to the upkeep of the hall and providing a focal point for Villagers to meet. They have also received an accolade from the District Council for the quality of the service. Well done to them all.
- The Film Club has continued to grow, due in no small part to the excellent work put in by Gordon, as Chairman of the Committee.
- Earlier this year the first Chairman's Dinner was held which was so successful that the Chairman of the Parish Council has been asked to hold a similar event for the Parish Council.
- Eric Holder is the new Parish Council representative who has been willing to help whenever asked.
- Our Caretaker continues his sterling work and with the help of Gordon and Denis the hall has been kept in good condition. Margaret, our cleaner has also worked quietly away, cleaning up after all the mess generated by a well used building.
- Our Booking and Administration Clerk has also responded to the challenge, helping to promote the hall and ensuring the bills go out and the money comes in.
- Congratulations to the team who organised the recent 'Shopping & Spending in Studley' event, it was worth the effort.
- Thanks to the Parish Clerk and her assistant for all their help. A big thank you to Dot for being there when needed.
- Thanks to all the committee members, volunteers, helpers and everyone who supports the events. Every bit of help, no matter how small is appreciated.
- Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to place on Public Record our thanks to Denis Charlton. Without his attention to detail and dogged perseverance we would not have a Village Hall here to have our meetings. Studley owes you a debt of gratitude that the

- majority of villagers are unaware of; your dedication and determination are an inspiration to us all. Thank you from all of us, we will miss you.
- The next twelve months with the possibility of an extension and more shows looks like being even busier.
- On behalf of the Village Hall Management Committee thanks to the Parish Council for your support.

The date of the next Annual Meeting will be Tuesday, 6th May 2008

**Annual Parish Meeting concluded at 8.00pm**