STUDLEY VOICE

Spring Newsletter 2007

LOSS OF USE OF REDDITCH TIP

With effect from April the use of Crossgates Tip will be lost to residents of Studley. Warwickshire County Council has been in talks with Worcestershire County Council since the decision was made. Talks are still in progress but to date they have not been successful.

Within waste management it has become a statutory requirement for local authorities to divert waste from landfill sites. Penalties will be incurred if this is not carried out.

As you can imagine this could be very costly for local councils and the way Worcestershire is dealing with this problem is to restrict use of their sites to their residents only.

Obviously this is a huge blow to Studley as it now means that the nearest tip is at Burton Farm, Bishopton near Stratford (off A46).

We hope that the loss of Redditch tip will not lead to an increase in fly tipping in the area as this could seriously impact on Stratford District Council who are responsible for the collection of rubbish in the area.

Elections for Parish Councillors 2007

Elections for Studley Parish Council will be held on Thursday 3rd May 2007. We are always looking for people who have the interests of the village at heart and would wish to have a say in how it is run.

The Parish Council meets every two weeks on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month. We are responsible for the Allotments, Street Lighting, the Parish Cemetery as well as the Recreation Grounds. The work we do is varied and interesting.

If you feel you would like to give up some of your time please feel free to contact the Clerk of the Parish Council Mrs Mitchell on 01527 853204 Or alternatively attend a Parish Council meeting.

Studley Skatepark

At last work is about to start on the long awaited skatepark on Crooks Lane Recreation Ground.

Work on the surfacing will commence on Monday 12th March 2007 and the park itself should be completed by the end of May.

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STUDLEY FILM CLUB Studley Village Hall

Studley Film Club has proved to be very popular. The next screening will be 'Chocolat' on 21st April 2007

It is £5.00 to join the Club and members must be 16 years or over to join.

To apply please contact the Village Hall between 1pm and 4pm Tel 01527 854489.

Membership entitles you to purchase up to 4 tickets for each performance.
WALKING FOR HEALTH
Short walks to suit all abilities take place every Thursday weather permitting.
Everyone is welcome Just turn up at the Youth Club off the High Street at 2.30pm
PUBLIC OPEN SPACE
A bid has been presented to the Lottery fund the results of which will be made known in May. In the meantime talks with the owners of the site, Stratford District Council are continuing.

Studley Allotment Association

The Association would like to thank the plotholders for all their help during the last year in making the Allotment Association such a success. Without their support nothing would have been achieved.

We hope to start selling our produce again outside the village hall during the summer months. This proved to be very popular with residents of the village.

There are a few vacant plots on the Redditch Road Allotments. If anyone is interested please call Lyn Tandy: telephone number 01527 452042.

We will be continuing to work just as hard this year to improve the allotments even more.

<u>VILLAGE HALL</u> Resignation of Denis Charlton from the Village Hall Management Committee

Mr Denis Charlton is shortly to leave as Secretary and Treasurer of the Village Hall Management Committee after many years. He was instrumental in helping to procure the funds from the Lottery to build the new village hall. Being both Secretary and Treasurer can often be demanding but he has always carried out his duties without complaint. Denis is a true gentleman

<u>PACT</u>

As part of this new initiative to bring everyone together there was the first meeting of this
partnership involving Police, Neighbourhood Watch, Stratford District Council, Studley Parish
Council and residents to discuss local issues that affect local residents.

Other meetings will follow. We urge anyone who has an issue to attend any future meetings . They will be advertised well in advance.
Do we need a Studley Trust—Tell us.
As those who read the Stratford Herlad will realise Stratford has a Town Trust which awards some £750,000 to £1m in grants for Stratford people and local organisations.
Action Studley has mooted the idea that in Studley we could start a Trust fund to do something on a very much more modest scale. It would begin by residents giving to a Trust which would be set up with Charity Commission status and award grants out of the interest on invested money.
Such a fund would be overseen by the Charity Commission who would have notice of its Trustees, annual accounts and web site etc. Trustees would be elected for a four year term by residents. At present the interest on Charity funds is about 4.7% ie: £47.00 for every £1000 invested free of tax.
If you think it is a good idea please put a tick in the box and return this newsletter to the Village Hall on the High Street
Bill McCarthy
Chairman Action Studley
Not another consultation!
As some people will know Action Studley has conducted a consultation of the public through a firm called ADEPT. Its role was to come up with ideas on improving relationships between generations and general public safety in the village.
The results of its questionnaires and interviews will be announced at a presentation in a general meeting to which all are invited. It will be held in the Village Hall on 26th March 2007 at 7.30pm.
Then is the time to have your say!