

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SILSDEN TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY 3rd APRIL 2003 IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SILSDEN TOWN HALL**

COMMENCED: 7.30PM

CONCLUDED: 10.10PM

COUNCILLORS PRESENT:

Cllr C Atkinson
Cllr M Elsmore
Cllr M Tomkins

Cllr A Edwards
Cllr K Savage
Cllr L Walton

Cllr T Chilton
Cllr P Bottomley
Cllr P Bromley

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mrs Lesley Corcoran, Town Clerk
Public 1
K Massey Antisocial Behaviour Officer BMDC

Police 1
Press 1

CLLR WALTON IN THE CHAIR

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Cllr Dodd

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

None.

3. POLICE REPORT.

PC Stothers answered the following queries from the last meeting
The 'raw deal' for WYP is being looked into and more funding is being sought.
Force policy does not allow for funding of CCTV systems.
'Bobbies on the Beat'-PC Stothers was not yet in a position answer as yet.
Crime statistic's for the March comparison show that reported crime was down from 52 (2002) to 36 (2003). January's statistic's were also given as being 37 (2002) to 33 (2003).
PC Stothers introduced Kirsty Massey who is an officer from the newly formed antisocial behaviour unit in BMDC. She gave the council an overview of what the department is about and how it will use evidence collated. She has promised to keep the council updated on progress made.
Reports of youths in the car parks and the memorial gardens, parking on Aireview/New road and parking on the pavement along Keighley road were given to PC Stothers.
A suggestion for the Keighley Road parking problem was that the council write to BMDC to see if the land at the side of Mills Banks could be used as a temporary car park.

Action Clerk to write re car park suggestion.

4. **MINUTES.**

It was proposed by Cllr Elsmore and seconded by Cllr Tomkins with all in favour “that the minutes of the meeting of Silsden Town Council held on the 6th of March 2003 (previously circulated) be signed, as a true and accurate record.”

5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.**

S106 Monies

An email from Ian Day confirmed that Silsden Park Rangers must have an open access policy in order to receive funding for these monies. The Cllrs have resolved to go and visit Glusburn Skateboard park to see the type of facilities on offer.

Grit Boxes and Cleansing Rota

High Green Drive was on a list for grit bins but with no guaranteed date for placement. Information on street cleansing was not what was requested.

Cllr Walton filed a report on the rural Transport seminar he attended.

The computer is now with Cllr Savage.

The lights around Aireview Stores have been put up.

Work is to commence on the carriageway edges in the Silsden Moor area.

Yellow lines on Aireview incomplete and requested for lines reinstated on Skipton road plus the addition of slow signs.

Action Clerk to write to Silsden Park Rangers stating STC will support their bid for funding if an open access policy is guaranteed. Clerk to request how near to the top of the list we are for the grit bins and again ask for a copy of the cleansing rota.

Write to highways re the lining issues.

6. **OTHER MATTERS ARISING.**

Cllr Atkinson Proposed with Cllr Elsmore seconding and all in favour that the TC write to Cllr Eaton and ask her to explore the possibilities of reducing the business rate charged to the swimming pool. Bradley green was mentioned but it was felt that it would be better discussed at a later date and BMDC had only just started it's new financial year.

Action Clerk to write to Cllr Eaton.

7. **YLCA RESOLUTIONS.**

The following resolution (agreed with 7 in favour and 2 abstentions) is to be forward to YLCA for their consideration.

‘This council calls upon the government to make illegal the fitting and use of all types of Bull bars to any vehicle used on the highway.’

Action Clerk to email to YLCA

8. **SILSDEN SIGN.**

It was resolved that the council write to British Water Ways and BMDC if the Silsden sign can be placed on the eastern side of the Keighley Road canal bridge. We will also ask where the welcome to Silsden signs are and why they have not been replaced.

Action Clerk to deal

9. **DRAINS.**

The following list of problem drains have been compiled for Cllr Hawkesworth:
Top end of North Street
Bradley Road
Bolton Road above the junction with Banklands
Outside the Bakers on Aireview
Pavement drains outside Fruit shop Briggate and L'Arche Briggate
Open drain in wall flowing onto High Green Drive.

Action Clerk to forward email.

10. **CORRESPONDENCE.**

Email re colour scheme of main hall.
Yorkshire water email advising of works taking place St John's Street area.
YLCA reply stating planning protocol acceptable.
Briefing note (circulated)
Pride at Work (Filed)
LCR (Filed)
Park Rangers information and number 01274 432696.

Action Clerk to request the outside of the Town hall is redecorated.

11. **PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.**

A comment was made that a skateboard park may alienate those who are looking for somewhere to use their bikes.

12. **ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE.**

The new Budget for 2003/4 was formally accepted after being proposed by Cllr Tomkins and seconded by Cllr Bromley with all in favour.

Cllr Tomkins proposed and Cllr Edwards seconded all in favour the following payments be made:

Salary LC (1/4/03-30/04/03)	chq 301	502.72
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Inland Rev.	chq 302	50.84
Mazars	chq 303	411.25
CPRE Subs	chq 304	25.00
YRCC	chq 305	25.00
Silsden Methodist Church	chq 306	14.00
Mrs L Corcoran (Postage)	chq 307	31.78

13. **PLANNING AND UDP.**

The following approvals by BMDC were read out:

03/00497/ful	9 Mill Banks	Extension
03/00633/ful	10 Glaisdale Close	Conservatory
02/04447/ful	Cross Moor Farm	Extension
02/04448/lbc	Cross Moor Farm	Extension

The following 2 plans were considered: no objections except the usual proviso that all the works and material used are in keeping with the area.

03/01089/ful	38 Hainsworth Road	Conservatory
03/00992/ful	Lippersley Farm	Extension

Objections were raised on

03/01006/ful The Hollows, Hole Ln Barn construction

The original barn was converted and therefore as per BMDC policy a new barn cannot be constructed.

Natural stone steps should not be replaced by artificial ones.

Queries were raised over the usage of the Barn.

The Town council were informed that the site of the old Gas Works is a constrained site, and nothing can be built on there until the road has been built.

Cllrs Walton and Elsmore will be at the UDP enquiry on the 8th of May.

Cllr Bottomley gave the council a report on the panel meeting with regards to plot 3 Silsden Business Park. The plan was approved with conditions.

Action Clerk to email planning comments

14. **BRADFORD COUNCIL, KEIGHLEY AREA PANEL, GOVERNMENT & KTC.**

Request that the public toilets be opened on Sundays especially with the Carnival being on a Sunday.

Action Clerk to write.

15. **REPORTS.**

YLCA Cllr Elsmore reported the Quality Parish Council scheme has been launched, Silsden need to look at the production of a newsletter to qualify.

Swimstart. Coffee morning on the 12th of April.

S.E.G. It was felt that there is a need to improve communication between this group and the town council of which it is part.

Police Station The clerk reported on a meeting, which had taken place on Monday and requested that two Cllrs become part of the 'management group' for the contact point. There had been no confirmation of whether the police station could be used and the Council requested that Insp. Walker attend the June meeting in order to update them on the exact situation.

Action Clerk to write to Insp. Walker and Mr K Norris.

16. **ANY OTHER NEWS.**

Cllr Tomkins asked whether BMDC had a protocol on the wearing of chains of office outside their district and one is in place in the Craven district

Action.Clerk to enquire.

It was confirmed that the next meeting will take place on Thursday 8th May 2003 at 7.30pm in the council chambers.

There being no further business the chair closed the meeting at 10.10pm.

Prepared by
Mrs L Corcoran – Clerk

Signed as true and accurate - Mayor