

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SILSDEN TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY THE 12th JUNE 2003
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SILSDEN TOWN HALL**

COMMENCED:7.30PM

CONCLUDED:9.10PM

COUNCILLORS PRESENT:

Cllr C Atkinson
Cllr M Tomkins
Cllr L Walton

Cllr A Edwards
Cllr K Savage
Cllr P Bottomley

Cllr T Chilton
Cllr D Galley
Cllr P Bromley

IN ATTENDANCE:

The Clerk
Youth Council 2

The Press 2

Public 3

Cllr Edwards in the Chair.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Elsmore.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

None

3. PRESENTATION FROM THE YOUTH COUNCIL.

A presentation was given by two members of the new youth council informing the council of their first project. The council resolved by a proposal from Cllr Atkinson and seconded by Cllr Savage with all in favour to issue the youth council with a headed letter of support to aid them in their fundraising effort. Cllr Emmott was also present for the presentation and has promised to take their ideas back to BMDC.

Action clerk to deal

4. POLICE REPORT

PC Stothers was unable to attend the meeting tonight but forwarded the following crime statistics comparing May 2002 with May 2003:

Burglary-Dwellings	3	2
Burglary-Others	8	3
Vehicle Crime	22	10
Misc. Crime	15	19

Overall	48	34
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The council urge PC Stothers again to try to resolve the problems of parking on Keighley Road.

Cllr Bromley commented on the fact that nothing had been done or heard about the West Craven Contact Point and there was some questions as to whether Insp Walker was still on going with the project. In light of recent press releases about BMDC

commitment to contact points, this council resolved to write to the police with copies going to Cllr Cooke and Anne Cryer MP and ask them to clarify the position. Cllr Atkinson reiterated that Bobbies were needed back in Silsden and also raised some concern over the attitude of some of the Park Rangers. This council resolved to invite the head of the Park rangers to attend a future meeting.

Action Clerk to deal

5. MINUTES.

It was proposed by Cllr Walton and seconded by Cllr Atkinson with all in favour that **“that the minutes of the meeting of Silsden Town Council held on the 8th May 2003 (previously circulated) be signed, as a true and accurate record.”**

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The clerk has been in touch with the chair of the Police Authority and will invite him to a meeting on his return for Holiday.

A programme of works was read out in connection with Bradley Green culvert.

7. OTHER MATTERS ARISING.

None.

8. URGENT MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

None.

9. ADOPTION OF CODE OF PRACTICE FOR COMPLAINTS.

It was proposed by Cllr Savage and seconded by Cllr Tomkins to accept the code of practice previously circulated. It was resolved by votes 8 for and 1 against.

Cllr Walton proposed we have a written register of complaints this was seconded by Cllr Tomkins, It was resolved by votes 8 for and 1 abstain.

Clerk to prepare a register.

10. ALLOTMENTS

The council were informed that the allotment holders were ready to form a committee. The clerk was asked to chase BMDC with regards to the hand over.

Clerk to deal

11. YLCA TRAINING.

A list of training dates was handed to the meeting for Cllrs to consider.

12. CORRESPONDENCE.

1. Reply from anti crime partnership re letter sent Jan 03 (circulated)
2. CPRE Summer events list.
3. Email re Town hall notice boards
4. Unapproved minutes from SEG for TC use only.
5. Public Toilets Letter
- 6.4 Letters from members of the public
7. Proposed charter agreement- copies to be circulated for next meeting

8. Airedale Community Health council annual report
 9. BMDC email re cllr training and 'drop in event'

Items 1,2,4,5,7,8,and 9 were noted and filed.

Item 3 A quote re the notice board repairs to be requested.

Item 6 Each letter was acknowledged and forwarded to the appropriate dept in BMDC.

Clerk to deal and invite member of public to meeting with park Rangers.

13. ADJOURNMENT.

A member of the public raised a question with regards to planning permission procedure. The council advised that they contact Keighley planning direct.

14. ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE.

The following were proposed for payment by Cllr Tomkins and seconded by Cllr Savage with all in favour.

Mrs L Corcoran	319	£502.62
Inland revenue	320	£ 50.94
The paperclip	321	£ 20.48
The Carnival committee	322	£ 50.00
Mrs L Corcoran	323	£ 5.40

15. PLANNING AND UDP.

03/01835/ful Site 5 Silsden Bus. Pk Warehouse and offices.

The council objected to this application on the following grounds:

Highways as already stated in a pervious refusal by BMDC the junction at Belton road and Keighley road is not suitable for any increase in traffic. Roof materials should be either green or Brown not Grey. The sewers are unable to cope with any increase demand and the beck will be unable to cope with the surface water as the area is prone to flooding. It is felt that the windows are not in keeping.

Due to a time constraint the above comments were reached by emergency powers. It was proposed by Cllr Bottomley and seconded by Cllr Chilton with all in favour that the council fully endorse the comments raised.

03/01000/ful Fowler Hill Farm GP Building

It is felt that this is out of keeping with the local area.

On following list of applications the council raised no objections save for the usual proviso that all materials used are within keeping of the area surrounding.

03/01775/ful	Ivy House Cottage, Low Lane	Extension
03/01809/ful	12 Claymore Drive	Conservatory
03/01555/cou	55 Kirkgate	To bistro
03/01891/ful	67 Waterside	Extension
03/01837/ful	6 Swale Court	Extension
03/02013/ful	23 Lowfield Crescent	Garage

Bradford Approvals

03/01283/ful 24 Craven Ave Conservatory

03/01241/ful	Foster Cliffe farm	Conversion
03/01242/lbc	Foster Cliffe farm	Conversion
03/01209/ful	16 Mallards	Conservatory
03/01132/ful	2 High Green Drive	Extension
03/01208/ful	46 Woodside Road	Extension
03/01322/lbc	3-5 Townhead	Separation
03/01321/cou	3-5 Townhead	Separation
03/00789/cou	3-5 Kirkgate	Betting Shop

The council had heard contrary information with regards to the possible building of the new road. It was resolved with 3 in favour and 4 abstains to invite Mr Preece to a council meeting.

Action Clerk to deal

16. BRADFORD COUNCIL, KEIGHLEY AREA PANEL, GOVERNMENT & KTC

BMDC

The following points are to be brought to the attention of BMDC

Zebra crossing outside 3-5 Kirkgate flooding.

Drain blocked by lamp one on Bridge Street

Wall by bridge entrance to the park in a state of collapse.

Drain in wall in high Green drive

Rats in the lower half of the beck.

It was all suggested by Cllr Atkinson and seconded by Cllr Bromley with all in favour that a retractable bollard be placed in the park entrance to stop cars driving into the grounds.

Chris Slaven is to be invited to look at the lighting in Aireview.

Action Clerk to deal

17. REPORTS.

RS

The signs in Silsden need to be looked and repaired where necessary

White lining to Skipton Road not completed, Repeat request to extension of Yellow lines and completion of yellow lines on Aireview.

Cllr Walton proposed that a request speed cameras be sent to BMDC, Cllr Atkinson seconded and it was resolved with 4 votes for and 4 abstentions.

It was also resolved to ask the police to set up some speed traps in the area.

YLCA

Cllr Bottomley told the council of her meeting with regards to training.

SEG

Cllr Chilton explained the new procedure with regards to SEG meetings. He raised the question whether metal grills were allowed on the window boxes on the Town Hall.

The number of underage drinkers in the park and leaving litter was a major concern for the group and ask the council to write to the trading standards agency and request some test purchasing be carried out in the areas.

Action Clerk to deal

18. ANY OTHER BUSINESS-an opportunity to share information.

Cllr Chilton comments that the recent training on the code of conduct was very informative.

Cllr Bottomley informed the council that the youth council was progressing and next meeting is to be the 8th of July

Cllr Walton raised concern about Taxi's parking on the Zigzag's outside school.

Cllr Edwards comment that he enjoyed the recent flower festival and ask the clerk to thank the organisers.

29. TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING.

The Next meeting was confirmed as the 3rd of July 2003 at **7.30pm**.

Being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 9.10pm.

Signed as a true and accurate record

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Chairman 3/7/03