

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SILSDEN TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY THE 4TH MARCH 2004
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SILSDEN TOWN HALL**

COMMENCED:7.30PM

CONCLUDED:9.55PM

COUNCILLORS PRESENT:

Cllr K Savage	Cllr M Elsmore	Cllr P Bromley
Cllr A Edwards	Cllr A Phillips	Cllr E Trainor
Cllr L Walton	Cllr P Bottomley	Cllr D Galley
Cllr C Atkinson		

IN ATTENDANCE:

The Clerk The Press (2) Public (6) Police (1)

Cllr Edwards in the Chair.

1. APOLOGIES

Cllrs Naylor and Chilton – apologies accepted

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

Cllr Edwards – planning application 3 Telford Close

3. POLICE REPORT

	Feb 03	Feb 04
Burglary dwelling	3	3
Burglary Business	0	3
Vehicle crime	9	5
<u>Misc</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>11</u>
Total	35	22

Pc Stothers stated that statistics showed a good downward trend in overall crime in the area. There was no pattern to the business burglaries. The council inform PC Stothers of incidents happening in the park at the junction of Fletchers Ave and Banklands with large congregations of youths hanging around and drinking. The same was happening in St James' churchyard. This council resolved to invite Sarah Sydney to a council meeting. PSCO Walton, formally thanked Cllr Atkinson for providing a skip during the ongoing refurbishments on the former police station.

4. MINUTES.

The minutes for the main meeting on 5th February 2004 and the co-option meeting of the same night, previously circulated were proposed and signed as a true and accurate record. Proposed by Cllr Elsmore and seconded by Cllr Bromley with all in favour.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES.

The clerk confirmed that Mr S Core and Mr B Andrews would be attending the meeting on the 1st of April to discuss traffic issues. The councillors should compile a list and give to the clerk at the planning meeting.

The clerk read out a letter for Cllr M Eaton in reply to issues raised on Highways and Wesley place. She confirmed that these issues were being looked into and the TC will be informed directly of any decision made.

The council asked the Clerk to send a chaser letter as the trees over hanging the Golf Driving Range had not yet been cut back.

6. BRADLEY GREEN.

An update on the situation was received via Cllr Dawson and Cllr Eaton. It states that the revised date for commencement of the works is 6.5.04 till 15.7.04. Cllr Galley question whether these were now the same dates for the Skipton Rd Culvert. The clerk to ask Tony Poole, Head of Services at BMDC.

7. ALLOTMENTS

No update as yet

8. PLANNING AND UDP.

03/01835/ful Plot 5 Belton Rd consideration to amendments

1) All orange trims should be removed

2) The Orange doors can be seen for various angles and from the bypass, the council feel they look hideous and wish them to be removed or painted over to a colour more in keeping. Having taken advice this council are aware that it is possible to paint the doors in situ to an acceptable standard.

3) This council would welcome the planting of additional trees

4) The Fence in not acceptable and should be taken down. This council are aware that recently Aero vac were denied permission to put up a fence by BMDC on the grounds it was in not in keeping with open parkland setting of the site. This council state that no fencing should be allowed and wish from BMDC to show a consistency on such decisions.

04/00724/ful Land off East Dene Change of house type

The council felt that it objections to applications on this site should be reiterated namely:

- The TC questions the use of Septic tanks and do not believe the run off is long enough. They feel that a 'Biodisc' would be a better system. They state the beck will be unable to cope with any more Top water run off. They also object on a highways issue, the access to the development in along an unmade road and an unadopted Road. It was also felt that this was over development of this area.

04/00726/ful 3Telford Close Extension & Conservatory

04/00464/ful Staincliffe Ct 1.2m fence

04/00438/ful 11Croft field Conservatory

04/00679/ful 108 Skipton Rd Extension

The council had no objections to the above save usual that all materials used are in keeping. However they did think that it might be prudent of Highways to now put in

'dished gulleys' outside 108 Skipton Rd for about 30 metres as this may help to alleviate the flooding problems experienced in that area.

Bradford Approvals

03/04371/reg Extension Hothfield School
03/05005/ful Multi Use Games Area, School fields.
03/02947/lbc Raikes Head Farm Cottage
04/00011/ful 18 Jennings Close

Appeal

The Grange, Fowler Hill Farm, Low Lane, Silsden – KTH 20/05/04 at 10am.

BMDC is to revise its protocols in place with parish and town councils in order to produce a combine one. This will be done with consultation with all the councils involved.

9. QUALITY PARISH

Nothing to report.

10. CORRESPONDENCE.

To Note:

1. Works on Silsden River Bridge , Keighley Rd
2. Reply from ODPM re planning and compulsory purchase bill
3. Lord Mayor's Appeal Calendar of events -Will be pinned on internal notice board

To Action

1. Consultation on local investigation & determination of misconduct from ODPM through the standards board – Cllr Elsmore to report back to Council
2. Terms of reference from the Standard Committee (BMDC) revised draft terms
Cllr Elsmore explained the proposals STC voted in favour of accepting the draft terms
After a proposal by Cllr Savage and seconded by Cllr Bromley with all in favour.
3. BMDC Best Value review of enforcement activities – clerk to email comments to BMDC
on lack of planning enforcement and desire to be kept updated on the review
4. Register of Interest -Cllrs now need to declare Membership of Freemasons and of any political party associations.
5. White Rose Update
 - i) from 1/4/04 S137 threshold will rise to £5.14 per elector
 - ii)NALC has updated model financial regulation copies cost £2.00 Clerk would suggest these are purchased.
 - iii) Fly Tipping initiative called 'Fly Capture' a new internet based system to record summary information
clerk to obtain more details from Flycapture@environment-agency.gov.uk if council agree
 - iv) reminder training seminar Silsden 22nd March 2004 @7.30pm. Cllrs Phillips, Trainor, Bottomley, Savage and Walton to attend
6. Letter for Capelli Hair Design re incidents involving lack of policing –Clerk to advise the shop of
This letter being forward to BMDC and sent to Cllr Eaton and The Chair of the police Authority
With a covering letter of support.
7. Consultation documents on arrangements for NHS Foundation Trust Status at Airedale given to Cllr Galley
to read and report if needed
8. Letter offering services from D Cooke, to maintain a section of the beck for £15.00 per hour. Keep on file

Write to inform Mr Cooke that the beck is the responsibility of BMDC

9. Information on a proposed parking scheme Wesley Place/Beckside Ct. The council were in favour of the proposals.

11. ADJOURNMENT.

Two points were raised by two members of the public one was to reiterate what the council has been saying all along about the development on Belton rd, That it was an eye sore and an example of bad planning. The other point was the request that the Town Council take on the idea of entrance signs to Silsden along the Cobbydale theme. This will be brought as a proposed project in the new council year

12. ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE.

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

	chq	
LC Salary (March) (net)	375	502.72
Tax LC & NI LC		
ni stc	376	50.84
Paperclip Inc vat (1.79)	377	12.00
Post repay	378	4.66
contact point admin	379	20.00
Councillors Training	380	91.00

13. BRADFORD COUNCIL, KEIGHLEY AREA PANEL, GOVERNMENT.

BMDC

The clerk confirmed that only the Town Council and committees of the council can have access to the council chambers.

A request was made that the council write to the Youth services and the Parks dept to see what would be required to open the youth club 7 nights a week and open the pavilion for use by the youth of Silsden.

Cllr Elsmore updated the council of the latest parishes meeting, where the asset management team give a list of possible land to be sold. There were 5 plots within Silsden. The clerk is to query the Elliot Street land, as it is thought that this is the school playing field. Both Daisy Hill and Banklands are already being queried as possible old allotments. The council agreed in principle to consider the purchase of the other plots and at the very least to have first refusal on them. The clerk to write to Linda Carmicheal.

KAC

Cllr Phillips to attend a meeting with regards to KAC and parish / town councils. The meeting will be on the 18th March 2004, The Disabled Peoples Centre, Keighley.6-7.30pm

14. REPORTS.

Swimstart Still on target to become a charity for the 1st of April 2004.

Road Safety

Clerk to write to the police to request speed checks to be done in the main street, early evening after 6pm till 8pm.

Xmas Lights Ongoing project the Hothfield School

YLCA covered elsewhere

S.E.G No report

School Governors Governors are to ask schools for suggestion for the Edwin Bottomley Shield. Truants from South Craven have been seen quite regularly around Silsden. Cllr Edwards confirm South Craven are aware and are actively in trying to dissuade it.

KACP Cllr Bromley has resigned from the role of representative. The clerk to inform Chris Slaven and request that she is advise of the meetings and will try to organise a councillor to attend if possible.

YC Cllr Bottomley updated the full council as regards to the Youth Council.

Business Watch It has been requested that we write to metro re the 903 service to ask them if they can include in their routes Dale View, the top of Banklands and Flethcher Ave. They also wished to thank PCSO Walton for attending their last meeting. Cllr Atkinson also informed the council what a Grand raffle had been organised with the prize of a Giant Easter egg. Tickets are on sale now.

15. ANY OTHER MATTERS.

Lighting on Aireview – Chaser

Fly tipping on Howden Rd, about half way up the hill.

Clerk to deal

16. TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING.

The next meeting was confirmed as Thursday the 1st April 2004 at 7.30pm

Being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 9.55pm.

Signed as a true and accurate record

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Chairman 1/04/04

