

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SILSDEN TOWN COUNCIL
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SILSDEN TOWN HALL ON
THURSDAY 5th August 2004 at 7.30pm**

Commenced:7.30pm

Concluded:9.45pm

Present: Cllrs Edwards, Elsmore, Savage, Trainor, Bottomley & Walton

Attending: The Clerk Police(1) Press(1) Public(1)

Cllr Edwards in the chair

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.- Cllrs Naylor, Atkinson, Philips & Bromley
2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST – Cllr Walton –Prejudicial Interest in police matters was declared.
3. UDP – The mayor wished to publicly thank all the various groups in Silsden, who he felt, did a great service to the Town in their fight against the UDP. Cllr Elsmore confirmed the governments definition of a rural town to be that of a population under 10,000 surrounded by Greenfield's. Silsden obviously fitted directly into this categorisation.
Cllr Walton proposed, seconded by Cllr Bottomley with all in favour that a letter is sent to Andy Haigh and Margaret Eaton to urge BMDC to accept the inspector's recommendations in connection with Silsden.
4. POLICE REPORT. PC Stothers updated the council with regards to recent press reports. The question was asked whether initiatives in Keighley and Bradford against drugs was and would cause the problems to be displaced to Silsden. PC Stothers state there was no evidence to show that this may be happening. The mayor and PC Stothers reiterated that the cllrs and members of the public had a duty to report incident to the police before they go to the press. Cllrs are also reminded that they must ensure any such press reports as representative of their individual views and not that of the Town Council. Any Town Council press release will be issued through the clerk. Cllr Trainor updated the council on the newly formed Craven Tasking group. Complaints and reports of incidents should now be taken to this forum via Cllr Trainor or PCSO Walton. A report from this forum will be given at each council meeting. It was agreed that cllrs wishing to report any such matters are best reporting to the forum as soon as they have been made aware of any incidents, rather than waiting for council to sit and this will allow police more time to act. Comment made By Cllr Savage will be taken to the next Craven Tasking meeting. It was resolved that the agenda item 'Police report' will now be reamed to 'Craven Tasking Group Update'.
5. MINUTES – That the minutes of the meeting of Silsden Town Council held on 1st July 2004 were signed as a true and accurate record after proposal from Cllr Trainor and seconded by Cllr Savage with all in favour.
6. MATTERS ARISING Item 15 this was taken in connection with the public adjournment as a member of the public wished to complain about the nettle and rubbish on the pathway between Skipton Rd and Park Green. The clerk confirmed that she was chasing this item. A new log number was given as **102894**. The clerk requested she be kept advised if the path was not clean and cleared within the next 2 weeks.
Cllr Elsmore represented all the PCs and TCs that were unable to attend the Yorkshire Days celebrations in Leeds. He received some information on the Yorkshire society. It was resolved to place this item on the September finance agenda.
7. COUNCILLOR SURGERY – Cllr Elsmore – Milestones on Bolton Road- the clerk to Seek permission to get these miles stones cleaned and restored.

8. CORRESPONDENCE.

- a) Email re Howden Rd traffic to be forward to BMDC with a covering letter to query the s106 monies for the footpath and highlighting our concern for safety at the junction and suggestion of a zebra crossing.
- b) Confirmation of ability to co-opt for 2 seats. – advert to be placed with a cut off date of the 15th of September 2004.
- c) Mayor invite to BMDC Centenary celebrations- Deputy Mayor to try to attend
- d) Draft RPG12 filed for reference.
- e) Invite to attend an “ARUP” presentation of Keighley Town Council was noted- no councillor able to attend

9. ADJOURNMENT – Dealt with under item 6.

- 10. ALLOTMENTS – Report of recent meeting (circulated). Cllr Savage confirmed that we are now waiting for the allotment group to bring forward a business plan to show how the allotments can be run without making a loss.

11. ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE.

Clerks salary (Aug nett)	410	516.03
Tax and Ni LC		
Ni STC	412	53.10
NYFVO (Cllr training- Charities)	415	32.50
Silsden Carnival	414	200.00
clerk repay UDP doc	416	7.00
Clerk post repay	413	5.04
Xmas lights 2 features	Skipton a/c	968.20
Methodist church hall hire	417	35.00
Paperclip	418	18.20
Back pay	411	58.73

The payments were proposed by Cllr Savage and seconded by Cllr Elsmore with all in favour

12. PLANNING.

04/03119/ful	55 Kirkgate	Extended hour and flue
04/03118/ful	17 The Mallards	Garage door to patio door
04/03251/ful	42 Airedale Mews	Retention of Conservatory
04/03387/ful	49 Bolton rd	shop front to bay window
04/03005/ful	8 Bracken mount	extension

No Objections were raised on the above applications

04/03223/ful Hutter Hill barn Covert to 2 holiday cots.

Council query whether this appropriate development for Green Belt and wish for Highways to pay particular attention to possible access problems. This council do not wish to go to panel on this, consideration of these comment will be acceptable.

BMDC Grants

04/02402/ful	5 Throslte nest	conservatory
04/02351/ful	14 Vale View	conservatory
04/02430/ful	27 Skipton Rd	Loft extension
04/02049/ful	59 Kirkgate	level access
04/02031/ful	Schoolmaster place fm	extension
04/02146/ful	67 Browfield	garage
04/02231/ful	1 Telford Close	extension
04/02162/ful	land St john St	2 dwellings

BMDC Refusal

04/00469/ful	fostercliffe fm south	stable and store
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13. BRADFORD COUNCIL, - Query Re road closure for Gala day – Cllr Savage to find out who paid who what. The clerk to find out whether BMDC paid for road closures for the Mela and Keighley Gala.

14. REPORTS –
Road safety- Complaint Skipton Road parking clerk to write to the bus company to ascertain their views on the present parking situation.
YLCA –Cllr Elsmore was nominated for Standards Board.
Christmas lights- “ features designed by the school children we shown at an end of term assembly. Xmas lights to be place on the finance agenda for September.
Silsden Environmental Group_ 2 benches were purchased for the memorial gardens
School Governors- South Craven have agreed in principle to seek foundation status.
Keighley Anti Crime partnership- Cllr Philips attended and met this group at it recent meeting.
Youth Council- attended the carnival and will have their next meeting in September.

15. AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE INFORMATION. Security fences now gone up around Marcel's, clerk to forward to enforcement officer.

16. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING is September the 2nd at 7.30pm.

Being no further business the chair closed the meeting at 9.45pm

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Chair 2/9/04