

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SILSDEN TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON
THURSDAY 7th August 2008**

Commenced 7.40pm

Concluded 9.50pm

Present: Cllrs Savage, Trainor, Phillips, Bottomley, Edwards, Coward, Maddocks, Naylor and Elsmore
Police [2], Press [1], Public [3] Ward Cllr Mallinson.

Cllr Trainor in the Chair.

1. Apologies for absence received and accepted from Cllrs Brown and Walton, Ward Cllr Kelly.
2. Declaration of interests were made by Cllr Maddocks [planning item 1] Cllr Edwards [finance repay]
3. West Craven Tasking Cllr Trainor updated the council on ongoing issues in Silsden as noted in the last tasking group meeting. Police Report of actual crime figures in Silsden for July showed only 9 offences and 3 arrests had been made in connection to some of those offences. Police have been in regular contact with the Ward Cllrs over the banning of HGV's through Silsden during the road works. As yet this issue is unresolved with Cllr Naylor pushing for the ban as opposed to the proposed loss of parking spaces on Kirkgate. DDO is still at Bradford. Cllr Trainor confirmed that Jeff Bennett is looking into a possible public meeting regarding the state of road markings in Silsden.
4. MINUTES – That the minutes of the meeting of Silsden Town Council held on 3rd July 2008 were signed as a true and accurate record after the addition of Cllr Maddocks to those present.
5. ADJOURNMENT – None requested
6. Proposal to arrange a meeting of the allotment holders and to appoint a councillor to act as a liaison officer for the Town Council was rejected at this time as council wished to have further information on issues the allotment holders wished to discuss as it was felt a meeting with Bradford as managers would be more appropriate. Cllr Elsmore to seek further information from allotment holders.
7. Resolved to write to British Waterways regarding what has become significant erosion to towpath.
8. Resolved council support Silsden All Stars majorettes in a bid to reduce their operating costs. Cllr Bottomley offered her time to work with KVS in a bid to look at charitable status which would lower charges for the hire of BMDC properties. Council also resolved to allow Silsden All Stars the use of the park for their fundraising day. Application form for possible grant to be forwarded via Cllr Maddocks
9. Noted objection letter to the one way system being imposed for the moors music festival. BMDC already informed regarding lack of consultation in Silsden especially as this directly affected Silsden residents. Council noted that the licence for next year's events is to be heard on the 19th August 2008.
10. Request from Hothfield Junior School to have permission to use the coat of arms on new signage for the school was agreed.
11. Noted following information regarding bridge to park repairs received from Cllr Naylor - Richard Todd is meeting to finalise quotes with suppliers next week. Funding is organised and work likely to be done at the end of summer. When a design has been finalised they will contact the Town Council to come and explain the process etc. This will be a replacement and will need planning and conservation consent.
12. ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE.
[a]Agree payments as below:

Mrs L Corcoran	765	577.64
Mrs A Colman	766	57.96
Inland Revenue	767	93.61
A Edwards	768	24.00
Campion Graphic	769	660.00
Neil Varnam	770	590.00
Mrs L Corcoran	771	36.00

[b]Request for a donation towards the costs of putting on a community production of A Christmas Carol was considered and a £500 donation was pledged.

[c]Request for a donation towards betterment of facilities at the Silsden Riding Club Show ground was considered and £250 pledge at this point and a request for further information and club status when price of project is known.

[d]Resolved for the council to sponsor of 2 classes on next year's programme held by Silsden Riding Club. Sponsorship is £30 per class there total spend of £60 was agreed.

[e]Request for further donation for the Silsden football and cricket club's new clubhouse. Council were unable to deal with this request as this time as they felt they did not have sufficient details nor was there an amount requested. Clerk to forward a grant application form and request an up to date statement on their financial position.

[f]Resolved to accept GP's recommendation for Neil Varnam to be awarded an annual contract for the maintenance of the Airedale Mews gardens at a cost of £240

13. PLANNING.

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| 08/04589ful | 13 Laurel Grove | Conservatory Objection –overbearing, too close a proximity to boundary, needs to be lowered to ground level rather the floor level to reduce impact of roof height |
| 08/03960ful | 9 Rombalds Crescent | First floor side extension No objections |
| 08/04157ful | Moorcock Hall Fm, Bank Ln | conversion of stone outbuilding/stable to holiday cottage No objections |
| 08/04094ful | Carr Fm, Ridge Ln | 2 storey extension No objections |
| 08/03923ful | Lower Hang Goose Fm | Demo existing garage/workshop and rebuild including a dog pen. No objections |
| 08/03254ful | Howden Hall Ind Estate | Painting of storage facility. No objections but would prefer to see a colour sample. |
| 08/03532ful | Heights Fm, Heights lane | Livestock building 150 dairy cows and associated milking equipment. No objections so long as there is adequate access for milk tankers
From Craven DC |
| 11/2008/8851 | Sirebank Hse, Bradley | Wind turbine to serve Sirebank House No objections by majority voting. |
- List of planning decision were read for council to note.

14. REPORTS – None but council took this opportunity to thank the Silsden Gala Committee for organising a wonderful 2008 Gala

15. Confirmed the date of the next meeting to be Thursday 4th September 2008

Being no further business the chair closed the meeting at 9.50pm

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Chair 4/9/08