

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SILSDEN TOWN COUNCIL
ON THURSDAY 4th September 2008**

Commenced:7.40pm

Concluded:8.50pm

Present: Cllrs Bottomley, Edwards, Maddocks, Brown and Trainor. Ward Cllr Mallinson, PCSO Walton [till item 5]
Press [1] Public [4] Richard Todd BMDC.

Cllr Trainor in the chair

1. Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs Elsmore, Phillips, Atkinson, Naylor and Coward.
2. Declaration of interest in item 10[a] was made by Cllr Edwards.
3. West Craven tasking report showed crime figures for Silsden in August as 4 compared to 9 in July. Speedwatch had been active in various locations during the month with warnings issued to drivers who were speeding. Comments made by this council to be fed back to the police via PCSO Walton, and to the tasking group via Cllr Trainor were; inconsiderate parking on the pavements, especially during football matches [clerk to write a letter to the club asking them to advise users/visitors to be considerate when parking to attend an event.] and concern about possible underage drinking and youths being a nuisance as a result of the extended hours of business of Cobbydale Social Club.
4. Update from Richard Todd, BMDC engineer regarding the bridge over the beck to the park. Monies have been allocated, site is being prepared and replacement should be in situ early next year. The council were shown two drawings of possible bridges and resolved in favour of the design with the stone abutments; they further suggested black railings with gold edges and the town crest in the middle of the metal work. Clerk was asked to email Mr Todd a picture of the crest so this can be investigated.
5. The minutes of the meeting of Silsden Town Council held on 7th August 2008 were signed as a true and accurate record.
6. ADJOURNMENT – Taken with item 4
7. Reminder that a training course for more experienced councillors being held at Keighley TH 24/9 @ 7.15pm
No councillors able to attend this session.
8. Noted Airedale NHS Trust's open evening being held on Tuesday 9th Sept @ 4 – 6.30pm
9. Noted invitation to councillors to the official opening of the Town Hall on Monday 22nd September @ 6 till 7.30pm.

10. ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE.

[a]Agreed payments as set out below:

Mrs L Corcoran	772	577.64
Ms A Colman	773	57.96
Inland Revenue	774	93.61
A Edwards	775	33.98
J&N Feather	776	1219.65
Silsden Comm. Players	777	500.00
Silsden Riding Club	778	250.00
Silsden Riding Club	779	60.00
Mazars	780	646.25

[b]Request for a donation towards the costs for Silsden Responders was heard council resolved to donate £600 towards the cost of equipment. The youth council were also in favour of supporting this venture and the clerk is to write and suggest Silsden Responders also contact the youth council direct.

11. PLANNING.

08/04893/ful	11 Cornwall Ave	Rear and side extension incorporating disabled flat on ground floor
08/04401/ful	5 Craven Court	Extensions and alterations to provide wheelchair access and facilities for a disabled person.
08/03815/ful	Low Woodside Fm	Arg. building for storage of hay/straw and housing of cattle.

No objections were raised on any of the above.

List of planning decisions were read out.

12. REPORTS – To note any verbal reports of the following:
Youth Council – Now actively seeking funding for their next project which is the refurbishment of the play area for older children in the park.
13. Confirmed the date of the next meeting to be Thursday 2nd October 2008

Being no further business the chair closed the meeting at 8.50pm

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Chair 2/10/08