

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SILSDEN TOWN COUNCIL  
HELD ON  
7TH JUNE 2012**

Commenced:7.30pm

Concluded: 9.00pm

Present: Cllrs Croft, Huggins, Asquith, Coward, K Conway, A Conway, Bell-Jump, Naylor, Atkinson and Savage. Police [1] Public [7]

**Cllr Atkinson in the Chair.**

1. No apologies required and the Chair welcomed the two new councillors to their first meeting.
2. Declaration of interest as follows were made and interest registered completed:
  - CA: Finance – mayoral allowance - prejudicial
  - MB-J: Planning Bridge Inn – Personal non prejudicial
  - LA: Item 8 – Tender - prejudicial.
3. POLICE update report was given, with only 14 crimes in the Silsden area, which included the stealing of 2 sheep. The old calling campaign to start soon, clerk to notify councillors of the date when forwarded from Sgt Beecroft. No complaints were received by the police regarding Silsden events group Diamond Do. Police have agreed to accompany the Mayor, Ward Cllr and Deputy Mayor on a visit to Hothfield School to meet with the students.
4. MINUTES – The minutes of the meeting of Silsden Town Council held on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2012 were signed as a true and accurate record.
5. ADJOURNMENT – None requested
6. Resolved that the council formally adopt the revised Code of Conduct as advised by NALC proposed by Cllr Coward, seconded by Cllr Asquith with all in favour. Code adopted.
7. Letter received during the last meeting from Ward Councillors Mallinson and Kelly stating that they were not going to attend any Silsden Town Council meetings until such time as a full public apology is issued to the then Tory Candidate for the alleged eviction from the council meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> April. The mayor reaffirmed that the then candidate was NOT evicted from the meeting, but asked in private prior to the meeting if he minded not attending, he agreed to this request. A letter is to be sent to whoever is in overall control of the conservative party asking if such withdrawal from duty is approved and accepted by them. Name and address to be sought via the MP's office as to the best person to send this letter to.
8. Restoration of the Ings Way memorial resolved to accept quote from N Varnam. CA to ask him to commence to work as soon as possible [Cllr Asquith, having declared an interest left the meeting during the discussion and decision on this item]
9. Cllr Atkinson regarding will be meeting with Mel Smith about the memorial Oak Tree in the park on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June at 12 o'clock, in the park all councillors are invited to attend.

**10. ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE.**

**1. Agreed payments as listed:**

Mrs L Corcoran	1115	653.61
Mrs G Bazylewicz	1116	72.51
IR	1117	47.79
C Atkinson	1118	750.00
Faxsol	1119	62.40
Yorkshire Water	1120	7.24

2. Agreed donation request for £500 for Silsden ARLFC to be drawn up in the July meeting.

**11. PLANNING:**

[12/02020/FUL](#) Address Bridge Inn 62 Keighley Road Silsden West Yorkshire BD20 0EA Proposal Conversion of (A4) pub and bedsit into 5 flats – Objection on following planning grounds –

overdevelopment of the building and the area, Yorkshire water have previously stated min sewer at capacity therefore not able to cope with more demand, access onto main road totally unacceptable and highways must take into account the number of other proposed developments within a very close radius, there is no provision for bins and no additional parking which will led to additional parking on Skipton Road, it is ridiculous to assume this development will not attract additional vehicular use.

Further it was resolved to meet with Bruce Andrews Chris Atkinson to arrange and do a walkabout and include this location to highlight councillors concerns over highways issues in Silsden

[12/02083/HOU](#) Address 6 Aireville Mount Silsden West Yorkshire BD20 0HY Proposal

Construction of conservatory to side – No objection

[12/02108/HOU](#) Address 1 Lowfield Crescent Silsden West Yorkshire BD20 0QE Proposal Single

storey conservatory to side of existing dwelling house – No objection

[12/02111/HOU](#) Address 102 Skipton Road Silsden West Yorkshire BD20 9DA Proposal

Construction of first floor side and single storey rear extension – No objection.

## 12. Items from Cllrs

Cllr Savage:

- Signs in the conservation area – Resolved to invite Robin Longbottom to council meeting to discuss this matter
- Hillcrest & Spencer Ave update – clerk has nothing further to report. Resolved to ask BMDC to look at the conditions of these streets under Health and Safety duties
- Dog Fouling – There is a blanket by law for the whole of the Bradford district, problem is one of enforcement. Suggested that we ask the KAC on how to improve the management of dogs and associated issues.
- BMDC land to be tidied and planted
- TH cleaned and guttering to be repaired and public toilets to be painted – letter o request to Asset Management.
- Gulleys and drains Keighley Rd, Bolton Rd continually blocked – To send a letter informing Ian Bairstow of this problem and cc Ward Councillor Naylor.

## 13. REPORTS To note any verbal reports from councillors.

- YLCA – south Pennine Branch meeting agenda given to Cllr Huggins and Asquith
- Sign in Toddlers playground to be chased by YC and brought up at meeting with Bruce Andrews
- Cat steps – to be included in walkabout with Bruce Andrews.

## 14. Confirmed date of the next main meeting as 5<sup>th</sup> July

*Being no further business the chair closed the meeting at 9pm.*

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Chair 5/7/12