

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SILSDEN TOWN COUNCIL
IN THE COOP MEETING ROOM
21st MAY 2015**

Commenced 7.35pm

Concluded 9.32pm

**Present: Cllrs Atkinson, Croft, Robinson, Naylor, Whitaker, O'Dwyer and Savage.
Police [1] Public [6]**

Councillors are to completed acceptance of office forms.

1. [a]ELECTION OF MAYOR Chris Atkinson was returned as Mayor uncontested
[b]ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR Keith Savage was returned as Deputy Mayor uncontested.
Mayor's end of year statement was given to the council which included thanks for everybody's hard work, councillors, police and public volunteers. He felt we were beginning to see some movement towards to positive with the new school proposal but we much ensure all the required infrastructure is in place before any major housing developments are approved. The Mayor also reminded the council that the Annual Town Meeting will take place on Tuesday 26th May at St James Church 7.30pm start.
2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received and accepted from Cllrs A Conway, K Conway, Huggins and Walton.
3. ADMINISTRATION :
 - Confirmed meeting dates as the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month.
 - Confirmed that the complaints committee and planning committee remain as full council with the exception of Cllr Naylor who will not sit on the planning committee.
 - Council reps for
YC- Cllr Croft
YLCA - vacant
Parish Liaison- Cllr Naylor, The Clerk, The Deputy Clerk,
Christmas Lights – Cllr Walton, Cllr Atkinson
Wesley place project –Cllrs Savage, O'Dwyer, Whitaker, Naylor, Croft and Walton
Neighbourhood plan – Cllr Whitaker, O'Dwyer, Atkinson and Naylor
4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA MO on planning item on Jacques Grove – did not vote.
5. POLICE was read out. Council thanked the police for all the work they did and attending these meetings.
6. The minutes of the meeting of Silsden Town Council held on 2nd April 2015 were signed as a true and accurate record.
7. ADJOURNMENT – PUBLIC ENQUIRIES.- meeting closed 3 taken- an email will be sent to enforcement about the contractors parking on Keighley road and congratulations and thank you[s] will be passed on to our lengthsman
8. HIGHWAYS –Resolved to request again that Bradford consider implementation of a 7.5tonne weight restriction through Keighley Rd, Kirkgate and Bolton Rd. The need for this was identified by Bradford members of the regen committee held on the 2nd April 2015.
9. CONSULTATION – Noted -Councillors are advised of a current consultation on primary schools in Silsden and encouraged to respond. Consultation can be found at http://www.bradford.gov.uk/bmdc/Consultations/primary_school_education_in_silsden This proposal is to merge the two schools and close one of them.

10. ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE.

1. To agree payments as listed.

Swinstart	ward monies	1381	300.00
Aireview School	ward monies	1382	300.00
Silsden jnr AFC	ward monies	1383	300.00
Bradford Council	bal ward monies not for silsden	1384	1613.95
N Varnam	Lengthsman May	1385	866.66
K Boocock	Salary	1386	84.46
Mrs L Corcoran	Salary	1387	720.31
Inland Revenue	Tax and NI	1388	19.27
Zurich Ins	Annual insurance	1389	665.87
Colin Read	internal audit	1390	90.00

2. Resolved to sign off [a] year end accounts – all accounts:

Bal b/f	133560	Staff costs	10357	Balances	145159
Precept	46546	Loans	0		
other ins	8353	other outs	32944		

[b] Resolved to sign off the statement of assurance in preparation for external audit. Internal audit completed and no issues.

11. PLANNING:

15/01196/FUL | Change of use agricultural building to boarding kennels | Agricultural Building Fishbeck Lane Silsden West Yorkshire- Objections on grounds of noise pollution, access via Fishbeck lane, no permission for residential – requirement of the business.

15/01323/HOU | Construction of single storey side extension. | 19 Jacques Grove Silsden West Yorkshire BD20 0HT- No objection

15/01358/HOU | Construction of single storey extensions to the front and rear and internal alterations | 17 Banklands Avenue Silsden West Yorkshire BD20 0JL- No objection

15/01639/FUL | Installation of one endurance e-4660 wind turbine | Land To The East Of Bolton Road Silsden West Yorkshire- detrimental to the visual amenity of the green belt, Noise pollution, within the exclusion zone for Rombalds Moor site of SSI.

15/01705/HOU | Construction of garage with pitched roof | 29 Waterside Silsden West Yorkshire BD20 0LQ-No objections.

12. REPORTS –

noted verbal reports from the following councillors;

PR – bin in Skipton Rd and name plated for Woodside require chasing.

AN – updated the council of the changes to the executive, and Bradford have requested we ask whether there are any drawings connected to the beck project.

RW – Neighbourhood plan carrying on nicely

KS – to speak to Mel Smith regarding the Oak Tree we requested 2 years ago.

RW – the grand de party are pleased with the responses to their ideas for the month of July a number of orange hanging baskets have already been ordered

13. Confirmed the date of the next meeting is Thursday the 4th of June .

Being no further business the chair closed the meeting at 9.32pm