

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SILSDEN TOWN COUNCIL  
HELD ON THE 5th MAY 2016**

Commenced: 7.30pm

Concluded 8.50pm

Present: Cllrs Whitaker, Savage, Atkinson, Walton, Croft, Robinson, O'Dwyer and Cook. Public [5]

1. [a]ELECTION OF MAYOR Peter Robinson was duly elected Mayor for the council year 2016/17  
[b]ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR Francis Huggins was duly elected Deputy Mayor for the council year 2016/17

The council heard the retiring Mayor's end of year statement

**Cllr Robinson took the Chair**

2. Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs A Conway, K Conway, Naylor and Huggins
3. ADMINISTRATION :
  - Confirmed that meeting dates will remain in principal as the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.
  - Confirmed council reps for:  
YC-Cllrs Croft and Cook  
YLCA-Cllr Whitaker  
Parish Liaison-The clerk and Cllr Naylor  
Christmas Lights-Cllrs Walton, Atkinson, O'Dwyer  
Wesley place project-Cllrs Atkinson, Whitaker, Savage, Walton and Croft  
Neighbourhood Plan-Cllrs Whitaker and O'Dwyer
4. No declaration of interest on items on the agenda
5. POLICE update none received as not in attendance due to polling day.
6. The minutes of the meeting of Silsden Town Council held on 7th April 2016 were signed as a true and accurate record after the inclusion of Cllr Robinson on the list of those present.
7. Councillors to noted and respond to letter from Mr Cullen. Council concluded they were unable to comment on planning until such time as an application had been received, but that Mr Cullen was to be made aware that this council is not considering the sale of any land or part thereof in its ownership
8. Consultation – Councillors noted that there is a flood risk strategy and questionnaire out for public consultation. Comments by the 16<sup>th</sup> of May. Could councillors please complete the questionnaire to be found at: <https://www.bradford.gov.uk/consultations/current-consultations/consultation-on-bradford-district-s-local-flood-risk-management-strategy/>
9. ADJOURNMENT – One taken
10. ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE.
  1. Agreed payments below

Mrs L Corcoran	Salary	1457	706.33
K Boocock	Salary	1458	84.46
IR	Tax and NI	1459	34.85
N Varnam	lengthsman May	1460	866.66
C Read	internal audit	1461	90.00
BLM	Vat only legal services	1462	184.20
Silsden Riding Club	Donation towards costs of shows	1463	50.00
Proms of the farm	Donation towards admin costs	1464	500.00
  2. Signed the [a] year end accounts and [b]statement of assurance in preparation for external audit. Noted internal audit completed and no issues.
  3. Agreed a donation of £500 to Proms on the Farm 2016 to help towards admin costs.
  4. Agreed to continue with the annual sponsorship of two classes at Silsden Riding Club for 2016 at a cost of £50.

11. PLANNING:

16/02686/LBC | Subdivision of dwelling to form 3 dwellings with associated parking | Cringles House Farm Bolton Road Silsden West Yorkshire BD20 0NS-Objection on the grounds of overdevelopment in Greenbelt. Councillors raised concerns regarding the siting of the septic tank in such close proximity of the reservoir, Bradford are aware as mentioned in there CIL consultation of the limitations to the present electric supply. Councillors also stated that the two pillars re-sited at the farm house from the church in the town should remain in situ and not altered.

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16/02733/FUL | Subdivision of existing redundant barn into 2no three bedroom dwellings with associated parking | Cringles House Farm Bolton Road Silsden West Yorkshire BD20 0NS Objection on the grounds of overdevelopment in Greenbelt. Councillors raised concerns regarding the siting of the septic tank in such close proximity of the reservoir, Bradford are aware as mentioned in there CIL consultation of the limitations to the present electric supply.

16/02734/LBC | Subdivision of existing redundant barn into 2no three bedroom dwellings with associated parking | Cringles House Farm Bolton Road Silsden West Yorkshire BD20 0NS Objection on the grounds of overdevelopment in Greenbelt. Councillors raised concerns regarding the siting of the septic tank in such close proximity of the reservoir, Bradford are aware as mentioned in there CIL consultation of the limitations to the present electric supply.

16/02881/HOU | Construction of first floor extension above existing garage | 2 Laithe Close Silsden West Yorkshire BD20 9NQ No objection

16/02836/HOU | Construction of single storey rear extension and pitched roof over flat roof garage | 4 Park Green Silsden West Yorkshire BD20 9QF No objection

12. REPORTS- the clerk reminded councillors of the various commitment this month

Cllr Atkinson was approached by members of the public concerned about the new decking at the rear of the counting house. Other concerns regarding planning and enforcement were also raised and it was decided to invite the enforcement officer to a meeting to discuss various issues. It was also requested that a chaser was sent regarding the 7.5 tonnes weight limit.

Cllr Walton confirmed that the 3<sup>rd</sup> life box was now up at the sports club.

Cllr Savage requested the following items for the next agenda: parking on Kirkgate, a wish list for council spending, plaques for two trees in the park.

13. The date of the next meeting was confirmed as the 2<sup>nd</sup> of June.

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

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Chair 2/06/16