

**MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF THE  
SILSDEN YOUTH COUNCIL  
Tuesday 10th JULY 2007**

Commenced 6-35 pm

Concluded 7-20 pm

**Present – Silsden Youth Council**

Lindsay Bottomley – (Chair)

Sam Boyes (Vice Chair)

Youth Council Committee Members (4) Ben Geary, Danny Bazylewicz

George Barclay, Will Dovestone,

New Member (1) Harry Barclay.

PS Aaron Shearer PCSO Andrew Blood. Youth Councillor Co-ordinator Cllr

P. Bottomley, Clerk.

**Apologies**

Apologies were received from Jim Atkinson, Louise Hargreaves- Youth Centre Leader, PC Merlfield

**Minutes of the Meeting – 5th June 2007**

The minutes of the meeting were approved, proposed by Sam Boyes, seconded by George Barclay and signed by the Chair.

1. Still no response from Catterick- visit to be scrapped.

Two alternative activities during the summer break, sponsored by the Keighley Police N.P.T. Support service and introduced by Sergeant Shearer: Kayaking and raft building at Doe Park on 30/7/07 and a visit to Leeds on 10/8/07 including 2hrs Laser Quest, Royal Armouries and dodgems.

Details of these events on a letter to be distributed with consent forms, which need to be completed in time for the trip.

2. British Youth Council - we have been accepted as new members and payment is needed for full membership. They provide access to training and services including campaigning, but no access to funding. PS Shearer suggested letting the local paper know about this as very positive news.

3. Visit to Xscape. Planned for October half term. Money will need to be put to council funds to cover the trip. It is not appropriate to use bag packing to raise funds for this. A suggestion was made to organise a talent show or concert featuring local bands. This would be open to local schools / groups. Selling tickets would raise money. Money outlay to book venue. Agreed to discuss further at next meeting.

4. Sierra Leone project- It was agreed that Ben Geary, Danny Bazylewicz and George Barclay will meet with the manager of the co-op to organise a bag packing day to raise funds. Support from Lindsay Bottomley in setting up the meeting.

**Toddlers Play Area**

Cllr P. Bottomley reported that all monies are now in place. The start of work has been postponed from July until September, as it wouldn't have been finished in time for the Gala.

**Youth Centre**

Media equipment, including touch screen jukebox and plasma screen, is being ordered for use by the youth club. Alcohol is being consumed outside the club- broken glass being picked up and disposed of safely. PCSO Blood reported that two youths had been banned from the club and that regular police visits were planned.

Cllr P. Bottomley wondered if opening times could be increased- Further volunteers needed. Youth club for over 13s only.

Details of Youth club holiday activities from Louise Hargreaves. Mobile skate park in Addingham on 24/7/07 and a visit to Flamingo land.

Need to contact Louise for further information and consent forms.

**Action Earth**

There is no money available for materials for bat boxes.

Clerk agreed to approach Novo homes for funding.

**NEXT MEETING – 11-09-07**