

MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF THE SILSDEN YOUTH COUNCIL

Tuesday 7th October 2008

Commenced 6-45 pm

Concluded 7-43 pm

Present

Jim Alkinson (chair) George Barclay, Harry Barclay,
Cllr Bottomley, Cllr Trainor, Ann Colman(clerk)

Apologies

Lindsay Bottomley, Danny Bazylewicz Ben Geary, Cllr Elsmore , PC Mike
Thompson, PC Merifield.

Minutes of the Meeting – 2nd September 2008

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

Matters Arising

Basketball Net

The price has been agreed and we are ready to order. This will be done soon.

Constitution

Still no contact from British Youth Council regarding this. To be added to next
month's agenda

British Youth Council

Offering free training for youth councils in England aimed at equipping
members to engage and consult as widely as possible, on behalf of all young
people in their community. The training consists of 3 sessions, which must all
be attended. Agreed that Jim and Harry will go, with Cllr Bottomley, to York
on 11th October, 6th December and 25th Feb 2009.

Website for Photographic competition with the theme of what inspires or
empowers you is www.byc.org.uk/snapshot60. Or just google British Youth
Council for the main byc page and follow the link to the photo competition.

Older Children's Park

The space net is to be situated near the younger children's play area.
Weather not suitable for planned visit to the park.park. Difficult to plan now
due to dark evenings. It would be good to involve Hothfield school in the
consultation.

Membership.

Hothfield School not contacted yet. Jim agreed to contact Mrs Leech to
organise a visit to the school to promote the youth council.

Plan to contact Lesley Sargison and deputy head of S. Craven school
regarding new membership.

Police Station Visit

Tuesday of half term is the best day for the visit. Cllr Bottomley to liaise with
PC Merifield to arrange this. It was agreed that PC. Blood should attend.

Path in the Park

It was agreed that this is not financially viable. All monies raised at the moment are for the play equipment.

Any Other Business

Finance There are 2 accounts at Nat West Bank. Funds need to be moved from Current acc. To high interest Acc. All agreed to this.

Silsden Allstars A letter has been left for them following discussion at last month's meeting. No reply has been received.

Accountability and Responsibility of Youth Councillors Cllr Trainor outlined the responsibilities of youth councillors both within and beyond Silsden.. She reminded members that their words and actions are seen and heard beyond the town hall and beyond Silsden and are seen to represent the Youth Council Nothing that the youth council has done has been done alone. They rely on the cooperation of the Town Council, Bradford council, and the police among others. The youth council needs the help of others and members must bear this in mind and be responsible for what they write and say to others. It must be remembered that the opinions of individual members may be seen as representing the opinion of the whole council.

This was accepted and agreed by the members present.

Next meeting 4th November 2008 at the Town Hall