MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SILSDEN TOWN COUNCIL
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SILSDEN TOWN HALL ON
THURSDAY 4th November 2004 at 7.30pm

Commenced: 7.30pm          Concluded: 9.20pm

         Ward Cllr A Mallinson
Attending: The Clerk            Press(2)  Public(3)  Police(2)

Cllr Edwards in the chair

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.- Cllr Trainor

The presentation of the Edwin Bottomley Shield was made to Mathew Thornton of the Youth Council along with the Town Council’s confirmation to pay the wren bill of £2735.70

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA – Cllrs Bottomley & Elsmore- financial

3. CRAVEN TASKING GROUP UPDATE – Pc Stothers informed the council of this months tasking plan, which included two plans for Silsden. Cllr Elsmore informed the council that NALC were looking to the implications of the Prime Minister’s Speech regarding possible new powers for Town and Parish Councils in tackling anti social behaviours. This council would be kept updated of any developments.

Due to time constraints item 12 was taken, in part, out of sequence:

BMDC Cllr A Mallinson

Council noted that Ann Cryer MP husband had sadly died and a card of condolence to be sent. Similarly the council were informed of Cllr Emmott’s ill health and a get-well card to be sent. Cllr Mallinson informed the council that the consultation document with regards to the area panel and town and parish councils will be coming out in draft from soon. Cllr Elsmore suggested that a joint committee be looked at, as this would then give PC’s and TC’s voting rights. The Mayor informed Cllr Mallinson of the delays in the building works at both Schools in Silsden and concern over the standard. He was also asked as a ward councillor to further our requests for dropped kerbs on Elliot Street and a Pelican Crossing on Bolton Road by Briardene.

4. MINUTES – That the minutes of the meeting of Silsden Town Council held on 7th October 2004 Proposed by Cllr Atkinson and seconded by Cllr Elsmore with all in favour.

5. POLICE STATION QUERY – Cllr Savage to ascertain why Garforth Police station was reopened under ‘public pressure’. Cl Atkins emailed the clerk with details that in fact Garforth police station had never been closed, only that the front desk services had been move into the town centre on a trial basis. Details with regards to the excess profit requested by the council from Div. Commander S Sidney have not yet been forth coming and Cllr Trainor has been asked to chase this matter. Cllr Mallinson is to speed up both BMDc and WYP in respect of the possibility of Wesley Place as the contact point.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.-October 2004

Minute 9 (8) BMDC confirm they are unable to remove the parking meters but will be replacing the sticky ticket for non-stick ones. July 2004 minute 7 Cllr Elsmore stated that a bi monthly surgery may be held during the Friday coffee morning sessions at the Methodist Church.
7. YOUTH SHELTER PROJECT - Due to the expense and the stated concerns by WYP
and BMDC it was felt the first option would be for the clerk to arrange a visit from the
Police Architectural liaison officer for this area to look at possible sites.

8. CORRESPONDENCE. –
1. Airedale Partnership- Airedale Masterplan workshop invite for councillors
   11/11/2004 7-8.30 KTH- Cllr Bottomley to try and attend
2. Invite for the Mayor or representative to medieval festival 5/12/04 in aid of
   Skipton Mayors charity appeal £7.50- noted.
3. CPRE West Yorkshire branch annual report 2003-filed
4. Confirmation of membership of the Yorkshire Society-noted.
5. Letter from Insp Walker re speed watch and requested for £800- agenda item for
   next main meeting.
6. Letter request council representative on George Newton Trust – agenda item
   next main meeting.
7. Information given out with regards to Code of Conduct training to take place in
   Keighley in December.

9. ADJOURNMENT – None requested.

10. ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE.
The following payments were made:

   Clerks Salary £543.85 431
   Inland revenue £ 64.02 432
   Swimstart £100.00 433
   British Legion £ 35.00 434
   Keys £ 11.70 435
   Business cards £240.00 436
   Post repay £ 32.20 437
   Expenses repay £ 20.00 438
   Travel expenses £ 36.00 439
   Fixtures £ 19.49 n/a  Xmas lights account
   Bulbs £143.36 n/a  Xmas lights account
   Expense repay £  4.70  09 Youth Council account
   Post repay £28.00  10 Youth Council account

   Proposed by Cllr Bromley and seconded by Cllr Savage with all in favour.

11. PLANNING-
   04/04535/ful  3 Dale View Extension
   04/04648/ful 28 Hawkcliffe View Conservatory
   04/04657/ful 21 Elm Grove Replacement frames

   All passed as long as materials used are in keeping.

12. BRADFORD COUNCIL- Cllr Elsmore updated the council with details for the latest
   Parish Consultation meeting and the fact that soon BMDC to offer training in planning
   matters. Planning and highways to be informed about the mess on the roads due to
   the construction works at Waterloo Mills. BMDC to be requested to finish off Bradley
   Green to an acceptable standard, at the very least it needs to be stone picked and
   more topsoil added. Clerk to write to Tony Poole.

13. REPORTS – To accept verbal reports of the following: Road safety-No report. YLCA-
   Cllr Elsmore updated council on recent south Pennine Conference, including info on
   LBA looking into wind farms and the possibility that they may affect the radars, Nalc
   looking reinstating pc’s and tc’s input on Licensing applications, Co opted member
   are now able to claim expenses. Christmas lights – No report, Silsden Environmental
   Group – Clerk read out a full report, Tc agreed to the following actions;
Letter to request that Outdoor recreation clear the beck by the Ford to enable horse riders to pass through safely. Letter to ask BMDC to repair the walls on the flower bed below the public telephone box on Kirkgate, to report large pot holes on Brunthwaite Bridge lane.
Business Watch – Cllr Atkinson updated TC on arrangements for xmas extravaganza
Youth Council – Further £500.00 received from the Craven Trust plans now being drawn up to the parks, links are being forged with the Youth Club.

14. AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE INFORMATION – Nothing is to be taken forward to the next meeting.

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING CONFIRMED AS 2nd December 2004 AT 7.30PM

Being no further business the chair closed the meeting at 9.25pm

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Chair 2/12/04