MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SILSDEN TOWN COUNCIL
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SILSDEN TOWN HALL ON
THURSDAY 4th August 2005 at 7.30pm

Commenced: 7.35pm Concluded: 9.09pm

Present: Cllrs Edwards, Elsmore, Bottomley, Garrett, Philips, Coward, Atkinson, Naylor & Bromley

In Attendance: The Clerk, Deputy Clerk, Press(2), Public (3).

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - Received and accepted from Cllrs Walton, Trainor and Ward Cllr Mallinson.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA - Register completed. Planning declaration made by Cllr Atkinson on 16 Hunter’s Meadow. He took no part in the decision of the council.

3. CRAVEN TASKING GROUP UPDATE – No update

4. MINUTES – That the minutes of the meeting of Silsden Town Council held on 7th July 2005 were proposed by Cllr Bottomley seconded by Cllr Coward and signed as true and accurate.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING - None

6. DRAFT CHARTER previously circulated the draft charter from BMDC, this council resolved to defer any decision on acceptance until the words aim and endeavour are removed. Once it has been agreed by the parish liaison group in principal it will then need to come back to this council for personalisation before STC signed up to it. Cllr Elsmore to deal with at the liaison group.

7. CORRESPONDENCE - This council have no objections to the use of a corner of the lower part of the green to store excavated soil while the rest of the culvert is repaired. Cllrs were advised of a training event held by TRP in Goole. Cllrs Naylor and Bottomley will try to attend. Forestry Commission booklet on the value of trees filed for reference.

8. ADJOURNMENT - Members of the public came in to raise grave concerns over drug dealing and youth nuisance in and around the Howden road, Ings way area of Silsden and concern over the underage drinking. They felt that the Police were not tackling this issue or giving any credence to their complaints. The council resolved to host a public meeting between the Townsfolk and the Police.

9. COUNCILLOR SURGERY – Surface outside Wesley Place OAP centre in need of repair now dangerous and cause of concern for the Elderly users.

10. ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE. Resolved to pay all in favour moved by Cllr Bromley & Cllr Coward:

Proms on the Farm  497  £100.00
Salary Clerk       498  £ 604.97
Salary D. Clerk    499   £ 53.99
Inland Revenue    500   £  37.59
Clerk repay       501    £  2.66
Paperclip         502    £105.01
BMDC Bench        503   £ 646.25

Agreed but not yet drawn Glouster Tennant Association £400.00 under section 137 for steel shed.
11. PLANNING -

05/05006/lbc Crow Trees Fm, Green Ln Extension and new building
05/04973/ful Crow Trees Fm, Green Ln Extension and new building for water pump & store

After consultation with A French STC Confirmed they would have no objections to these applications if real stone was substituted for the reconstituted stone on the roof.

05/04572/cou 28 Kirkgate Variation of condition 1 cou

The council object to this COU as this should not be consider Town Centre development and strongly object to on the grounds of noise, nuisance and smell which would affect residents on St John’s Street on the opposite side of the beck to the back of this establishment.

05/04590/cou 11-13 Kirkgate Clothes shop to sunbed salon, toning & retail

The Council object to these plans on highways grounds as there is no parking facilities, or convenient drop off points which would be required by prospective customers. It is felt that these could cause serious highways concerns at an already dangerous junction.

05/03828/ful 16 Hunters Meadow Raised decking and external stairs [Cllr Atkinson left the chamber will this item was debated as he had declared an interest]

No objections were raised on the above 3 planning applications.

Council had some positive feedback with regards to challenging BMDC’s over the changes to the Inspector’s report for the UDP. Cllr Naylor to follow this up and report back to council when appropriate.

12. BRADFORD COUNCIL - Beck’s need clearing by bridge at parks entrance off Wesley place and by entrance to the culvert on Bradley Green. Cleansing to by notifies of complaints re rubbish on the streets and the removal of the lengthsman to other parishes.

13. REPORTS – None received

14. The Mayor gave a short report to council on his activities as Mayor, including an update on the recent parish liaison meeting. A coffee morning to promote the Town Council and other partnership bodies is to be arranged for Saturday 29th October 2005.

15. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING 8th September 2005 @ 7.30PM

Meeting closed 9.07pm

Chair 8/9/05