Cllr Atkinson in the chair

1. Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs A Conway, K Conway and F Huggins.
2. The council accepted the resignation of Cllr Jump earlier this month from the council due to work commitments and moving away from the area. A letter of thanks to be sent.
3. A declaration of interest was made by Cllr Atkinson for planning ref 15/00058/MAO, the register was signed and he left the room during the discussion and vote on this item.
4. Police none in attendance
5. The minutes of the meeting of Silsden Town Council held on 5th March 2015 were signed as a true and accurate record.
6. Adjournment – one taken letter given to councillors.
7. Public Toilets – After much debate given the back log maintenance and the ongoing costs to this council should they take on the toilets it was resolved with 6 votes for and one abstention [chair’s vote not cast]; not to take on the toilets at this time. A request will also be made the Bradford add a sign informing people that public toilets are situated inside the Town Hall as per Bradford’s own policy on use of toilets in public buildings.
8. Beck Project – noted there has been no further update from Bradford since the last meeting.

9. ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE.
1. Agreed payments as listed.
   - Mrs L Corcoran Salary: 1367 698.65
   - Mr K Boocock Salary: 1368 84.66
   - Inland Revenue Tax and NI: 1369 44.13
   - N Varnam Lengthsman April: 1370 866.66
   - BLM Legal vat only: 1371 0.00 563.40
   - Repay LC postage: 1372 76.88
   - Repay AF Silsden Stroll: 1373 5.40 1.08
   - YLCA Subscription: 1374 871.00
   - Proms on the Farm Donation: 1375 500.00
   - Silsden Riding Club Donation: 1376 50.00

2. Resolved to grant £500 donation to Proms on the Farm towards the admin costs of this event.
3. Resolved to refuse a request for further funding of up to £250 for additional Silsden Strolls.
4. Resolved to renew annual membership of YLCA for £871.00
5. Resolved to grant £50 donation for sponsorship of Silsden Riding Club.

10. PLANNING:
    Cllr Atkinson left the room, Cllr Savage took the chair.
    15/00058/MAO | Outline application (with all matters reserved) to remove waste transfer system and create a residential development | Former Waste Transfer Station Bradley Road Silsden West Yorkshire- Objection on grounds on infrastructure – this needs to be in place before any more house are build. STC do however applaud the use of Brown belt land first in any development.
Cllr Atkinson re entered the room, Cllr savage remained in the chair.
15/01000/HOU | Single storey side extension | 2 Throstle Nest Road Silsden West Yorkshire BD20 9QR - No objection
15/00531/MAF | Demolition of northlight sheds, retention of three-storey main building and conversion to apartments twelve and construction of twelve new dwellings and formation of new access road | Harwal Works Elliott Street Silsden West Yorkshire BD20 0DE - Objection on grounds on infrastructure – this needs to be in place before any more house are build. STC do however applaud the use of Brown belt land first in any development. Council also note this is within the canal corridor conservation area and those policies need to be applied. They would also state that if Bradford are of a mind to pass this application then a 20mph restriction on Eliot Street must be an absolute condition of approval, it is also situated next to existing commercial sites and these should have no conditions placed upon them at a later date due to development.
15/01045/HOU | Construction of two storey side extension | 11 Telford Close Silsden West Yorkshire BD20 0QF - No objections
15/00989/FUL | Division of existing single dwelling into two dwellings and single storey extension to side | The Kilns 61 Hainsworth Road Silsden West Yorkshire BD20 0LY - No objections but should be in keeping with the canal corridor conservation polices.
15/01096/FUL | New dwelling with parking on land presently used as builders yard | Pinfold Yard Hainsworth Road Silsden West Yorkshire – resolved by majority vote [one objection] – No objections but should be in keeping with the canal corridor conservation policies
15/01141/HOU | Construction of detached garage | 13 Dale View Silsden West Yorkshire BD20 0JP - No objections

Cllr Atkinson re took the chair.

11. REPORTS

- Councillors noted the invite to the Civic Service at Bradford Cathedral 16/5
- Ward Cllrs updated the council on the outcome of the regulatory and appeals panel who were considering the supermarket site and the land off Bolton Rd, both of which were refused by Bradford.
- Christmas lights refurbishment to start and permission to be sought to add a new string to the old coop building by Clogg Bridge.
- Cllr Robinson has been appointed member for Bradford’s countryside and rights of way section to represent the interest of Silsden and surrounding areas.

Confirmed the date of the next meeting will be Thursday 21st May 2015.

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Chair 21/05/15