



SILSDEN TOWN COUNCIL



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Council News

January:

PCSO Blood gave the council an overview stating that anti-social behaviour was still the main concern and parents were being informed when possible.

Forest of Bradford. Funding has been received by this group to plant 100 oak trees and have asked Silsden Council to recommend various sites. Areas suggested were a) top of park where trees have been lost due to development, b) field at the back of the cemetery on Howden Road and c) Bradley Green road sides.

The Council approved a request from Hothfield Junior School for £150 towards a growing club.

February:

Representatives from Aire View Infant and Hothfield Junior Schools were present to put the case for further traffic calming measures around the schools. The Town Council resolved to support their requests to Bradford Council.

It was resolved that, despite a resident complaint, the "parliament" bench on the corner of Elliott Street should remain.

Precept: the Council agreed to raise £38,000 this year meaning a Band D property paying £13.34 for the year. The main reason for the increase is to replace some of the reserves used to pay for the forthcoming CCTV camera in the town.

March:

Mr Dave Melling, senior policy officer BDMC spoke to the council about the project on Rombalds Moor. Whilst Bradford Council owns the Ilkley and Baildon Moor, parts most of the Rombalds Moor is in private ownership. Consultations have taken place over the past six months with all parties (including Town & Parish Councils) as to the future management of the area. The Civic Society are considering purchasing a seat in memory of Dennis Knowles, the Council agreed to fund half the cost. The bench will be placed in the Memorial gardens.

The Council agreed to send a letter to BDMC highways department requesting a roundabout at Bell Square and 'Puffin' crossing opposite Briardene on Bolton Road.

Surgeries: Will continue to be held on a Friday between 10.15 and 11.15am at the coffee morning at the Methodist Church - the next surgery will be 16th May. Please check www.silsden.net in case there are any changes to this date.

News from the Gala Committee: This year's gala will be on Sunday 27th July. Crowning of the gala queen takes place outside The Punchbowl Inn at 1pm. Weather permitting, the procession will leave from Elliott street, proceed up the Main Street, then turn left onto Briggate, right onto Bridge street, right onto Bell square then left up Bolton road to Dale View and on to the top of the park.

Once on the field we hope to have an afternoon packed with fun and games. As usual, there will be a fairground. This year we hope to have a tug o war competition, family games and children's games. There will also be mini motorbikes, the famous Blackpool donkeys and an array of side stalls. We would like to thank Keighley area committee, Skipton building society and Silsden coop for all their help and support (financial and otherwise). So lets see you all out and about and enjoying yourselves on gala day.

Councillor Chris Atkinson

From Cllr Bottomley, Youth council coordinator.....

"Travelling on the bus in Silsden, I overheard a conversation about the garden at Airedale Mews. It was suggested that the youth council were to do the work on this. They have visited the site and were interested in being involved, but were not allowed to for health and safety reasons."

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Next Council Meetings

7.30pm start unless stated otherwise on the Town Hall notice board

Full Council: April 3rd, May 8th, June 5th.

Planning: April 17th, May 15th, June 19th.



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Silsden Youth Council

We launched the 'Toddlers' Play Area' on January 18th. It was an extremely wet and windy day and the Youth Council would like to say thank you to everyone who braved the weather, especially the children from Aire View and Hothfield Schools. After the 'launch' we returned to the Town Hall for refreshments in one of the newly refurbished rooms. We enjoyed a 'PowerPoint Presentation' *designed by Silsden Youth Council*, of the progress of the play area. This was followed by a presentation of the Edwin Bottomley shield, by Silsden Mayor, Cllr. Elizabeth Trainor to Youth Councillor George Barclay for his excellent work as a founder member of this group and his time as 'Chairperson'. This award is given by Silsden Town Council to *young people* for outstanding contribution to our Community

Councillor Pat Bottomley

Message from the Mayor

Silsden Town Council represents the interests of the whole community, and not just those of the vociferous few. Councillors respond to you by giving many hours of their time Freely.

Support your council to support you.

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