

**MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF THE  
SILSDEN YOUTH COUNCIL  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2009**

Commenced 6-35 pm

Concluded 7-35 pm

**Present** – Silsden Youth Council

Harry Barclay Chair

Youth Council Committee members: George Barclay, Sgt Jo Beacroft, James Loud, Cllr. Bottomley, Ann Colman (clerk), Cllr Trainor, PCSO Blood, Lesley Sargison, Ashley Johnson

**Apologies**

Jim Atkinson, PC P. Merifield,,

**Minutes of the Meeting – 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2008**

The minutes of the meeting were approved, proposed by Cllr Trainor and seconded by James Loud.

**Matters Arising**

- Police Update: Sergeant Beacroft explained how on 16<sup>th</sup> February there was a climbing wall available for the Youth Council. Also, in Spring Bank outdoor activities at Denholme, Ashley Johnson volunteered to attend. Abina to look at costs for Friday night opening at Youth Council, Police working closely with Youth Service.
- Constitution: No further forward.
- Older Children's Park: It was announced that planning permission is required due to height of certain equipment, this would take 6-8 weeks at a cost of £350. Cllr Bottomley to speak to Adrian Naylor about this.
- British Youth Council: Next training day March 21<sup>st</sup>
- Youth Services: At Silsden Youth Centre, on a week day, 3 sessions are available with one on Thursdays and 2 on Mondays. Approximately 60+ young people are attending on the Monday sessions. Various workshops are on offer, such as bullying and victims. More than just games as a form of informal education. Over ½ term there is something available every day. Possible bid for funding for a residential- 15 young people.
- Ideas for Youth Centre: Ashley recommended a possible disco on Friday nights and all in one group rather than two separate groups. Also £500 available for graffiti art lessons, all were in agreement of this and PCSO Blood volunteered to help out.
- Results From Questionnaire: The more popular suggestion of what to have in the park were: lights, zip wire, space net, big slide, youth shelter and bike sheds. Possible 'trim track' around perimeter of park, this is a fun and effective method of exercise.
- Princes Trust: Jim absent from meeting so no news concerning Princes Trust.

**Any Other Business**

- Ashley to write to recent non-attendees to inform of updates.
- Suggestion of every other meeting at Youth Centre

**Next Meeting**

3<sup>rd</sup> March 2009 at 6.30pm at the Youth Centre.