

**MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF THE  
SILSDEN YOUTH COUNCIL  
14<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2005**

Commenced: 6.35 pm

Concluded: 7.23 pm

**Present**

Youth Council Members (4): C Chapman, A Roberts, G Barclay, J Atkinson, Cllr P Bottomley, Cllr A Coward, the Mayor Michael Elsmore, PC Stothers, Gemma Taylor (Youth Services), Mrs L Corcoran and Youth Council Clerk Mrs K Wood

**Election of Committee Members**

C Chapman, A Roberts, G Barclay and J Atkinson were duly elected as Committee Members. Further members up to a maximum of 12 would be elected at subsequent Youth Council meetings.

**Election of Chair**

Youth Cllr G Barclay was elected as Chair. The election of Vice-Chair would be addressed at a subsequent meeting.

G Barclay IN THE CHAIR

**Apologies**

Cllr A Edwards,  
Youth Council Members J Sutcliffe, L Bottomley  
Apologies and resignation received from C Shearer

**Spending on outstanding funds on Rocks & Ramps**

Funds which must be spent   £3000 – Rocks & Ramps; £1000 – Signage.

**Rocks & Ramps – A Further Ramp**

It was agreed by the YC that the two benches would be removed and Cllr P Bottomley undertook to obtain from BMDC a list of practical options – both metal and concrete – for replacement of the benches with a view to making a decision at the next meeting.

**Signage**

Cllr Bottomley was asked to obtain a design for the proposed ‘Archway’ sign from Bradford Parks & Landscape for the next meeting.

**Graffiti Art**

Gemma Taylor of Youth Services offered to hold an event to give tuition on skateboarding/general sports training/ brake dancing and graffiti art - the latter so that YC members could make designs for the skate park. The YC members expressed interest in such an event, a date for which would be advised in due course.

**Feedback on Rocks & Ramps Project**

It was decided to leave this item until more YC members were in attendance. Those members present were asked to contact existing YC members to boost future attendance.

### **Next Project**

This could not be decided until after the Rocks & Ramps project had been finalised. However the following were recorded as possible projects:

- A request for ideas to improve the building and equipment at the Youth Centre in Elliott Street was received from Youth Services. It was decided to use the November YC meeting to visit the Youth Centre to enable the YC to see requirements for themselves and make proposals for adopting this as a future project.
- Youth shelter
- Refurbishment of the young persons' play area

### **Other Matters**

1. The Mayor informed the YC of the Coffee Morning to be held at the Town Hall planned for 29<sup>th</sup> October 2005.
2. Cllr Bottomley thanked PC Stothers for all his help with the YC. PC Stothers offered further possible outings including a visit for the Youth Councillors to the new police station.
3. The YC would work in partnership with Youth Services with regard to accreditation for Records of Achievement for individual Youth Councillors.
4. Dog Mess Bins. The YC Clerk was asked to write to Bradford Council to state that SilsdenYC would support any future application for dog mess bins in the park.
5. The caretaker of the Methodist Church was to be informed of faulty guttering as it was a potential danger.

### **Next Meetings**

It was decided that YC meetings would in future take place on the first Tuesday of each month at 6.30 pm. The next meeting would be on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30 pm

Being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 7.23 pm

Prepared by  
K Wood  
Clerk to Silsden Youth Council

..... Chair  
Signed as true 4.10.05