

**MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF THE  
SILSDEN YOUTH COUNCIL  
3<sup>rd</sup> JANUARY 2006**

Commenced: 6.35 pm

Concluded: 7.25 pm

**Present – Silsden Youth Council**

George Barclay (Chair)

Youth Council Committee Members (3): Jim Atkinson, Sam Boyes and Matthew Thornton

PC Craig Stothers Youth Council Co-ordinator Cllr.P. Bottomley, Youth Council Clerk Mrs K. Wood (All members of the Management Team)

Cllrs M Elsmore, L. Walton.

**Present – Bradford MDC Parks & Landscape Services**

Mel Smith and Park Ranger Phil Catleugh

**St James Church & Methodist Church Youth Club**

Steve Loryman

**Apologies**

There were no apologies.

**Minutes of meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2005**

Approved and proposed as correct by Matthew Thornton and seconded by Sam Boyes and signed by the Chair.

**Matters Arising**

1. Next Steps Item 5 – Joint Fund - Cllr Bottomley had been unable to obtain any information or details on this fund.
2. Other Matters Item 1 – Beacons Assessors Meeting 13.12.05 – Cllr Bottomley and Matthew Thornton reported that this had been a very successful meeting and Silsden Youth Council had been very well received. Letters had since been sent to Ashley Roberts and Matthew Thornton from Cllr Ann Hawkesworth thanking them for attending and saying how impressed they had been with the work the SYC were doing and to keep up the good work.

**Half Pipe – Funding**

PC Stothers reported that the application to Cnet was unsuccessful (as we were too successful). Cllr Bottomley reported that Network for Young People were desperate for applications and PC Stothers undertook to look into this and report back to Cllr Bottomley. Depending on the result of these investigations, Cllr Bottomley would then contact Yor Venture. It was hoped to get the half pipe in by the summer.

**Discussion on Various Aspects of Safety Improvement**

There was considerable discussion regarding both the Rocks and Ramps area and the M.U.G.A. on the possibilities and pros and cons of lighting and CCTV cameras. With regard to the request to extend the lighting times at the M.U.G.A., the school would

need to be contacted as this did not come under the umbrella of Parks & Landscape Services. With regard to the Rocks & Ramps area, Mel Smith undertook to get prices for two lights and a camera which he will send to the Clerk as soon as possible.

**Youth Centre Project**

As there were no representatives from the Youth Centre or Youth Services, it was decided to carry this item forward to the next meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> February.

**Other Matters**

1. **Beck Clean-up:** Chelsea Wrigglesworth had suggested to Cllr Bottomely a YC project to clean up the Silsden beck. This was agreed and a date was set for Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March, meeting at the Wesley Cark Park at 10.00 am. Mel Smith undertook to supply bin liners, gloves and a trailer. Steve Loryman suggested an application to Action Earth (sponsored by the Environment Agency) who gave a £50 grant for such environmental projects. He undertook to send an application form to the Clerk. Cllr Walton suggested that the date be more widely publicised so help from others could be obtained.
2. **Bench Disappearance:** Matthew Thornton reported the fact that a bench was missing from the area by the M.U.G.A. PC Stothers undertook to investigate this disappearance.
3. **Signs – Rocks & Ramps area:** Cllr Bottomley reported that the small sign from BMDC had arrived and that she had placed an order with Peter Holden for the large sign which was to have silver lettering on a black background at a cost of £1000.
4. **Whether meetings should be held at the Youth Centre:** There would be no charge if the meetings were on a Tuesday but would be for any other night whereas there was no charge for use of the Council Chamber. This matter would be carried forward to the next meeting.

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting would be on Tuesday 7 February at 6.30 pm.

Being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 7.25 pm

Prepared by  
K Wood

Clerk to Silsden Youth Council

..... Chair  
Signed as true 7.2.06