

SILSDEN YOUTH COUNCIL

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MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF SILSDEN YOUTH COUNCIL TUESDAY 5th January 2010 @ 6-30pm in the Council Chambers.

Commenced – 18.45 pm

Present – S.Y.C. - George Barclay (Chair), Danny Bazlewicz (Vice Chair), James Loud, Harry Barclay, Hannah Stafford, Chris Gill.
Cllr. Bottomley, Cllr. Trainor, PC Merrifield, PSCO Turnbull
Apologies Cllr. Johnson-Gill, Lindsay Bottomley

The minutes of the meeting – 1st December 2009
The minutes were approved, proposed by George Barclay and seconded by Danny Bazlewicz.

Matters arising.

Police Update - PC Merrifield discussed talking to residents on Ryefield Way and Belton Road regarding litter and other problems. Cllr. Bottomley asked the Police to check lights on Ryefield Way as the Industrial Estate should only work between the hours of 8am to 5.30pm. PC Merrifield reported that the Hothfield area has quietened down. Also reported the following crimes for Dec:-
4 Burglary's, 6 Shed Burglary's, 3 Car Crimes, 1 Domestic Disturbance and 2 Criminal Damages.
PC Merrifield has asked people with sheds to take photos of items left in their sheds.
Cllr. Bottomley thanked the Police for the Christmas card and read a letter thanking them for all their help over the past year.

7 Up Activity Area – The Area is now completed but has incurred several problems. The Net should be 6 meters but is 3.8 metres, this should present a challenge to the youths, but will not at the current height. The Basket Swing should be 1.8 metres but Bradford Council have said that a new E.U. Legislation states the size should not be bigger than 1.2 metres. Cllr. Bottomley cannot find this legislation and was never informed by Bradford Council.
These problems have to be looked into. The Basket in Ilkley Park is a lot bigger than ours, Cllr. Johnson-Gill has measured it.
Cllr. Bottomley suggested to call a meeting with Bradford and is going to ask Silsden Council for support. Cllr. Trainor suggested we should fight for the 7 Up Area we were quoted for. The Activity Net cost £12,000, the Swing with basket cost £9,100 and the Multi-Play Unit cost £17,000; this is a lot of money to spend for the 7 Up Area not to be to our specifications. Silsden Youth Council all agreed to

complain about these issues.

Signs for 7 Up Area - There are no signs for the Toddler Area so Cllr. Bottomley has organised 2 Signs, 1 for the Toddler Area and 1 for the new 7 Up Area. These signs are in the same design as the Rock and Ramp Area. They will cost £1,400 for both.

Launch Day – The launch has been delayed due to the problems with the 7 Up Area and the weather conditions.

Youth Services – None present.

Bradford Young Citizens Award 2010 - Cllr. Bottomley asked if anyone would like to nominate a youth. George and Harry Barclay and Danny Bazlewicz were mentioned but none of them wanted to be put forward. Cllr. Bottomley asked the Police if they knew of any youth to be put forward, they are thinking about it and will get back to Cllr. Bottomley.

New Ideas - None put forward.

Any Other Business- Danny Bazlewicz and Cllr. Johnson-Gill have discussed extending the Rock and Ramps area, Cllr Johnson-Gill has designs that PCSO Blood has drawn up for the Youth Council to look at. Cllr. Bottomley said that there is a lot of discussion on Silsden Net regarding Skateboarders. The Youth Council would like to see lights in the area so it can be used in the evenings. PC Merrifield agreed with this point and also suggested some sort of shelter as well as lighting so the youths of Silsden would not hang around the streets and in the shop doorways. A suggestion of a Youth Pod was raised and all agreed it was a good idea.

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY 5^{2nd} February 7 2010 in the Council Chambers

Meeting closed – 19.23pm

Meeting approved by.....

P. Bottomley

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