

APPENDIX 1



VE80 GET-TOGETHER- SITE PLAN

Appendix 3 – 4th May 2025



1	Central Information Point
2	Medical Gazebo
3	Ice Creams
4	Sound Desk (Wessex Sound)
5	Lions Refreshments
6	Bar
7	'Tasty Burger' Concession
8	Toy Crossbow & Toy Tombola
9	Fun Fair
10	Arena - Activities
11	Military Displays
12	Stalls
13	Additional Toilets
▲	Fire Extinguishers
★	Meeting Point Disabled/VUL



NEW MILTON TOWN COUNCIL CIL BIDS 2024/25

The Town Council submitted a total of five individual bids and one joint bid with NFDC in the latest round of CIL funding applications.

The application process closed last December, and there was a total of seventy-nine bids and the successful ones will be announced by NFDC Cabinet on Wednesday 2 April 2025. The fund pot was one million pounds, and the submitted applications have well exceeded this amount.

Details of the three Recommended bids are highlighted in yellow below:

Ashley Recreation Ground – Total CIL Bid of £32,000 - Sports Wall (five a side goal incorporating a basketball hoop) and a Sensory Board. The sensory board would be located in the landscaped area next to the play park and the sports wall adjacent to the play area as shown below.



Hollands Wood Drive – Total CIL Bid £41,550 - Provision of Inclusive Play Equipment, Post & Rail Fencing and Native Hedging, as shown below.



Carrick Wood - £40,000 CIL Bid made jointly by NMTC and NFDC

An enhanced recreational mitigation of this sensitive Nature 2000 site. The joint bid was submitted by NFDC and is at Carrick Wood for gravel surfacing of the unsurfaced tracks to complete the mitigation scheme carried out in 2024 as shown above and marked in yellow.



Christmas Lighting Display 2024-25

We had the first year of our new contract with Merlin Lighting installations and there was much to learn from. Some of our aging infrastructure came to an end, and whilst we suffered limited vandalism and poor weather compared to recent years, the display gave quite the challenge. The Lions Christmas event was cancelled and although disappointing, it gave our new contractor time to remedy some of the issues. Most difficulties were due to the ad-hoc nature of the infrastructure, where various contractors over time have remedied issues leaving a myriad of connections. The first year of a contract is always a challenge, but having recently met with them, we have every confidence that they will be on top of the scheme this coming year. Last year they covered 71 displays, and we are one of a handful that do not have a simplified modular system.

Our stalwart sponsors continued to support the display. Our new contractor has come up with a reasonable option for the redressing of the three mature street trees by Boots, Toys and the old Halifax unit, with further suggestion for the 2 Vision Express trees. These trees suffer broken strings with frequency as the branches flex to the wind, and loops are created which lorries and other vehicles catch and break. This down time and repair cost could be avoided by the installation of suspensions. The contractor gave a taster of what those might look like over the display period and they were generally well received. Sadly, the Old Milton tree was vandalised and it took some time to get that issue remedied.

Bethel House Care Home took the sponsorship of the mature evergreen outside Morrisons, with Anthony Harris and Co covering the street tree adjacent Penny Plain. It was good to see new sponsors come on board. Huge thanks go to all local organisations and traders that understand the wellbeing benefits of this project, having a positive impact on the town and its surrounds. We do not underestimate the efforts these sponsors make to ensure the display gets the necessary support, enabling us to add just a touch of magic for all during the festive period.

ABSOLUTES for 2025 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Redress Boots / TOYS / Ex Halifax trees – suspensions• Redress Vision Express trees (tree x 2) – suspensions• 5 trees Revitalise and River Sone - redress• Sponsorship for 2 large and 5 smaller street trees/Ashley cut tree• Remote switch on kit hire• Repair 2 x panels at Tesco Express• Festoon replacement – end of life		PROGRESSION POINTS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Replace infrastructure with modular units• Replace timers from analogue to Wifi
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INCOME

PAYMENTS

	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Net</i>		<i>Service</i>	<i>Net</i>
Approved budget	23,000.00	23,000.00		Installation contract	8,550.00
Sponsorship deals	4,004.45	2356.25	received	1. Infrastructure	1,510.73
				includes trees, electricity and wall brackets	
Donations		170.00		2. Safety Tests	3,421.00
				3. Replacement and repairs	10,335.85
				includes banners, bulbs, plaques, icicle replace	
				4. Sundries – Cable ties etc.	761.25
					balance
TOTAL		25,526.25		TOTAL	24,578.83
					947.42

SPONSORS LIST

Advertiser & Times	A-Tech UK Ltd	BAKE	Bethel House Care Home
Bradbeer's	Charles Nobel	Dixon Stewart	A Harris & Co.
House of Hair	Kimber's Carpets	Lions Club of New Milton	New Forest Stationers
New Life Church	New Milton Pharmacy	NM Residents Association	New Milton Sand & Ballast
Sullivan Lawford			The Wheatsheaf Inn
Cllr G Blunden	Cllr D Hawkins	Cllr A O'Sullivan	
DONATION	New Milton Conservative Club	(Electric) Hardy's Electrical	(Electric) Bradbeers
New Milton Conservative Club	(Electric) Brewers	(Electric) Euronics	(Electric) Heppenstall's

Amenities Committee Meeting

07.04.25

RISK ASSESSMENTS 2025-26

The Town Council uses an updated version of Local Council Risk Assessment (LCRS) software program that was originally installed to help identify and address nearly 400 potential risks.

The program now covers 50 risk areas from allotments to websites identifying 397 potential risks facing local councils. Some risk areas such as beach huts, car parks, cemeteries, conveniences and libraries do not apply to New Milton (yet). For 2025-26, in respect of this council, a total of 45 risk areas and 333 potential risks were identified.

This latest Risk Assessment review was undertaken by the Town Clerk/ Estates Manager. The likelihood of each risk arising and the impact on the Council were considered in turn. If the likelihood was low it scored 1 medium 2, high 3. If the impact was low it scored 1, medium 2, high 3.

By way of exception reporting, some risk areas are highlighted below:

1. Allotments – Covering inspection of 5 allotment sites & over 100 plots.
2. Bus Shelters – Complete replacement programme nearing completion.
3. Car Parks – Reduce fly-tipping / ensure safety NMTC gravel car parks.
4. Commons – Ensure safe grazing, maintaining security of open access.
5. Flooding – Minimise risk, work with Environment Agency NFDC / HCC.
6. Staffing – Ensure sufficient / appropriate staff attendance, as required.
7. Investments – Ensure integrity, after dynamic White House policy shift.
8. Recs – Reporting ASB / vandalism via New Forest Safety Partnership.
9. MUGA /Play areas – Ensure adequate security measures are in place.
10. Play Areas – Ensure adequate and regular inspections are carried out.
11. Skatepark – A Multi-agency approach / CCTV to tackle ASB problems.
12. CCTV – Ensure increased and sufficient surveillance of new cameras.
13. Insurance – Ensure all assets, and potential risks adequately covered.
14. Youth Club – Ensure continuation of weekly youth service on the Rec.
15. Succession Planning – Plan implementation for key members of staff.
16. Town Development Manager – Admin of Neighbourhood Plan Review.
17. Youth Services Manager – Remit includes running Ashley Youth Club.
18. Public Events - Continue to support community events where possible.
19. Local Govt Reorganisation – Prepare for changes / increased staffing.
20. Transfer of Assets – Ensure relevant budgets are in place prior to LGR.
21. Upgrading of Assets – Ongoing maintenance, buildings and equipment.
22. Town Hall – Ensure adequate facilities identified /provided in the future.
23. Local Councils – Plan /consider work arrangements with other councils.
24. District Council – Agree which assets to be transferred to local councils
25. County Council – Agree working arrangements with new unitary council

RECOMMENDED:

That Amenities endorses Risk Assessments for 2025-2026.