

NEW MILTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF NEW MILTON TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY 13 DECEMBER 2024 AT 7.30PM NEW MILTON TOWN HALL

Councillors:	J Adams	p	P Moores
	p J Baker	p	R Murrow
	p G Blunden	p	A D O'Sullivan
	p S Clarke	p	R A Reid - Chairman
	D Rice-Mundy	p	D N Tungate
	p M Craze – Vice Chairman		V Schooling
	p S Davies	p	M Scott-Johns
	p W Davies		K Trehorn
	p D Hawkins	p	R Maynard

In Attendance:

G Flexman - Town Clerk

S Welch – Administration Officer

The Chairman welcomed members to this Extra-ordinary meeting to discuss land at Fernhill.

84. APOLOGIES - Cllrs J Adams, D Rice-Mundy, K Trehorn and V Schooling.

85. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

86. CORRESPONDENCE

The Town Clerk referred to the following items of correspondence recently received:

- a) Following F&GP Committee meeting on 10 December, the Clerk had written to Susan Day of SGN regarding a recent and on-going closure of town centre roads.
- b) Town Clerk had received further advice, and guidelines from HALC about public borrowing and Application Form for a Public Works Loan Board (PWLB) funding.
- c) An email from the Cricket Club offering to let out a playing field area for other sports at Fernhill, with a view to increasing their revenue stream from community users.
- d) A letter from HCC confirming receipt of our objection to the proposed Traffic Order, stating our representations are being copied to the Traffic Management Engineer, who will ensure that they are considered before any decision is made about this.
- e) A further letter from Sammy Miller suggesting an injunction be served against SGN in regard to the planned 3-month road closure along Bashley Common Road.
- f) An email from the Bournemouth Echo wanting to know how the Council will address this issue, including steps taken to mitigate the impact of the closure.

87. NEXT MEETING: Monday 6 January 2025 at 6.30pm – Town Hall, New Milton.

The Chairman sought members' agreement to go into Private Session to consider item 5.

PRIVATE SESSION**PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSIONS TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960**

The Chairman moved that the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business pursuant to section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reasons of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted:

88. ROBINS NEST – FERNHILL

Members considered the **Recommendation** from the Executive Committee - Minute 50 on Friday 6 December 2024 and an **Endorsement** from the F&GP Committee - Minute 85 on Tuesday 10 December 2024.

It was then unanimously

RESOLVED: That the Town Council make an appropriate offer for the above property known as Robins Nest at Fernhill and its associated land for recreational purposes, funded by a PWLB loan as appropriate.

There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman wished everyone Happy Christmas and closed the meeting at 7.45pm.

Chairman _____ Date _____

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