



Minutes of the meeting of Planning Committee for New Milton Town Council, held on Thursday 19th December 2024 at 6.30pm at the Town Hall.

<u>Councillors:</u>	Chairman	p	S J Clarke
	p	S P Davies	
	p	W B Davies	p
	p	R Maynard	p
		B Murrow	p
	p	B M Scott-Johns	R A Reid

Officer: Theresa Elliott – Assistant Town Clerk

There were 2 members of the public in attendance.

Mr Angus raised several accessibility issues in the town, making clear that these are not ‘disability access’ issues but for all using wheels, such and buggies, prams, Zimmer frames, mobility scooters etc.

Cambered pavements (such as outside the bathroom shop in Old Milton Road) and surfaces damaged by tree roots such as in the War Memorial Recreation Ground where particularly challenging. It was noted that the surface at the Recreation Ground was due for resurfacing in early 2025. Bollards blocking motorcycle use of footpaths also blocked other access, and a ‘dropped kerb’ can be surprisingly high therefore present a real issue for users.

158. APOLOGIES

Cllr Murrow had tendered his apologies.

159. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Chairman stated that application 24/ 11010 was that of the Council Solicitor, Anthony Harris and Co, therefore no comment would be made, due perception of bias and predetermination.

160. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chairman thanked Mr Angus for his attendance and the points raised. He stated that the meeting clerk would provide the Hampshire County Council link for reporting issues and advised that the Neighbourhood Plan would involve him regarding accessibility discussions on the footpath network.

161. MINUTES

An amendment had been requested as minute 156b noted 'Transition Lymington' rather than 'New Milton Cycle Club'.

It was then **RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd December 2024, as amended, be agreed by the Chairman as a correct record.

The Minutes were duly signed.

162. MATTERS ARISING

The meeting clerk advised the Milton Barns application, reference 21/11677 was very near being finalised, expected in early part of 2025.

163. LIST OF APPLICATIONS

The list of applications for the period ending 4 and 11 December 2024 were considered (see attached list).

164. LIST OF DECISIONS

The list of decisions for periods ending 4 and 11 December 2024 were noted (see attached list).

165. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Chairman gave a brief summary of the notes provided as Appendix 2.

166. CORRESPONDENCE

a) Delegation to officer and Ward members

The officer respectfully reminded members that the 2nd January meeting was cancelled (minute 113b dated 8 October 2024) and only 2 applications were listed, for Bashley. The usual summary would be sent to relevant members with response required by members by 30 December.

b) Barton on Sea Traffic Order Proposals

The formal response had been provided by the meeting clerk and acknowledgement received. The local Traffic Management Engineer had been made aware of the concerns.

c) New Forest District Council comment regarding changes to NPPF

The meeting clerk highlighted comments made by New Forest District Council on proposed changes to National Planning Policy Framework. A copy would be sent to all non-NFDC members for interest.

d) Notification of Cycling Event

Notification had been received of the New Forest tour Road Cyclo Sportive, being held Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 September 2025. It would affect Bashley Cross Road and Bashley Common Road as usual.

e) Bashley road closure

The Chairman advised that several unauthorised signs had been removed from the area that SGN are needing to close in January. Traders had been in touch as perception was that they would be closed during the works, which is not the case. The Chairman had asked for a letter to be sent to SGN at the last Town Council meeting.

167. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Planning Committee will be held on **Thursday 16 January 2025** at 6.30pm in the Town Hall.

The meeting closed at 7.23pm

Chairman _____ Date _____

Minute	Task	By whom	By when
160	Provide Mr Angus with link to reporting	Meeting clerk	30/12/2024
160	Write to HCC regarding dropped kerb specification	Meeting clerk	30/12/2024
166c	Send NFDC comments to non NFDC members	Meeting clerk	30/12/2024

Distribution:

Town Councillors;
 District Councillors J L Cleary;
 County Councillors F Carpenter, M Kendal and K Mans;
 Police; Press.

List of Applications for the period 4 and 11 December 2024 – Minute 163.

Application No: **24/10899** Ward: Ballard Authority: NFDC
 Applicant: Mrs B Herbert
 Site: 30 Marryat Road

Proposal: Vehicular access and hardstanding for parking area.

NMTC Comment: ACCEPTABLE (Delegated)

Application No: **24/10906** Ward: Barton & Becton Authority: NFDC
 Applicant: Mr R Bowersbank
 Site: 8 East Close

Proposal: Rear single-storey extension; front dormer window.

NMTC Comment: OBJECT (Delegated)

The front dormer is out of character as

- a) Is contrary to Local Distinctiveness Study page 72, regarding ‘Building Format’ and ‘Key Dimensions’ text
 - b) It would set a precedent.
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Application No: **24/10995** Ward: Barton & Becton Authority: NFDC
 Applicant: Mr C Hill
 Site: 28 Seaward Avenue

Proposal: External alterations & single-storey extension to facilitate creation of an additional one-bedroom flat (self-build); new access onto Keysworth Avenue; additional parking; cycle and bin stores.

NMTC Comment: OBJECT (Delegated)

- a) Overdevelopment
 - b) Concern about lack of on-site parking, with no turning head.
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Application No: **24/11010** Ward: Milton Authority: NFDC
 Applicant: Mr A Harris
 Site: 43 Old Milton Road and 54 Crossmead Avenue

Proposal: Proposed extension of offices at first floor level, to form additional offices and file storage rooms; external access.

MTC Comment: NO COMMENT

Application No: **24/11042** Ward: Milton Authority: NFDC
 Applicant: Mr & Mrs D Hollyoake
 Site: 4 Chestnut Avenue

Proposal: Extension to ground floor; first floor extension and roof extension to facilitate creation of first floor.

NMTC Comment: ACCEPTABLE (Delegated)
subject to adherence to Neighbourhood Plan policy NM4 (Design Quality) on the need to mitigate the impacts of climate change and create biodiversity net gain.

Application Number: **24/0556**

Ward Name: Bashley

Location: 1 Harris Way

Description Scots Pine x 1 - fell; Scots Pine x 2 - prune.

NMTC Comment: OBJECT (Delegated)

NMTC object to the felling of any tree unless it is dead, dying or dangerous, no longer of amenity value, or otherwise agreed with the relevant authority's Tree Officer for exceptional reasons.

Pruning, where agreed with the relevant authority's Tree Officer, is acceptable provided the long-term health and amenity value of the tree is maintained and where reasonably required to maintain the owner's amenity.

Application Number: **24/0563**

Ward Name: Milton

Location: 1 Everon Gardens

Description Oak x 1 - reduce

NMTC Comment: Pruning, where agreed with the relevant authority's Tree Officer, is acceptable provided the long-term health and amenity value of the tree is maintained and where reasonably required to maintain the owner's amenity.
