



Minutes of the virtual meeting of the Planning Committee of the New Milton Town Council, held on Thursday 24th September 2020 at 6.30pm held via Zoom.

<u>Councillors:</u>	Chairman	p	S J Clarke	
	Vice Chairman	p	A Reid	
	p	K E Craze	p	D Samber
	p	S P Davies		D N Tungate
	p	D E Hawkins	p	H Wallis-Dowling
	B Murrow			

In attendance:

Officers: Theresa Elliott: Assistant Town Clerk

For the purposes of this meeting, members selected certain applications for presentation and further discussion, marked on the application detail below. All other applications detailed have been determined via email, as per the delegation process assigned under minute 197f (12 March 2020).

2 members of the public attended the remote meeting.

Mr Watson, representing New Milton Residents Association endorsed the comments made within the draft response paper to the Government White Paper (appendix 2) and congratulated the meeting Clerk on its forthright content. He specified the imperative nature of having local input into the process, and to continue to strive for retention of character in the town.

Mr Lord spoke regarding tree work application 20/0460, felling of a Silver Birch in Marley Avenue. He questioned the need and if it was considered a valid loss by the Tree Team at NFDC, a habitat pole should be left for invertebrates.

286. APOLOGIES

Cllrs Murrow and Tungate tendered their apologies.

287. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

288. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

289. MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 10 September 2020 be agreed by the Chairman as a correct record.

The Minutes will be signed at next opportunity.

290. MATTERS ARISING

The clerk advised all action points had been completed or were on course with timescales given. Please see following updates available.

- a) Decision notice for the 5g application at the Water Tower (20/10358) was approved with condition that 'no development should take place during bird nesting season (February to August).'
- b) Holmsley Rail Bridge – National Park Authority have given planning permission but there is now a delay by Forestry England in signing the land agreements. Hampshire County Council will advise once this has been settled and provide provisional timescale for works.
- c) Road Verges of Ecological Importance – Hampshire County Highways have now responded stating that Towns and Parishes being included in consultations on dropped kerb applications would put them in a difficult position and increase chance of legal challenge if influenced by the Town Council. They will continue to process applications without consulting NMTC. As reported last meeting however, HCC Ecology team have reassured that they will pursue RVEI issue within their part of the dropped kerb app process.
- d) Becton Lane Speeding – The Estates and Facilities Manager has visited Mr Jenner and fellow residents, and advised possible works from the Town Council remit and has forwarded other suggested aspects to Hampshire Highways as members have seen via email communications in recent weeks. Hampshire County Council are minimising face to face meetings at present but will be visiting the site with an engineer to look at aspects such as white lining which may assist in reducing speeds. Hampshire Police have included Becton Lane on the rounds for the speed gun. The meeting clerk will advise once Hampshire Highways have advised the outcome of their site visit, the date of which has not been provided. Although Durlston Court School was contacted by the meeting clerk, Hampshire Highways now advise that the '20 is plenty' signage scheme is no longer advised. Other signage adjustments are included in the requests to Hampshire Highways.

291. LIST OF APPLICATIONS

The list of applications for the period ending 9 and 16 September 2020 were considered (see attached list).

There were no applications highlighted for presentation on this occasion.

292. LIST OF DECISIONS

The list of decisions for periods ending 9 and 16 September 2020 were noted (see attached list).

293. GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION – WHITE PAPER:
PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

Members considered appendix 1, a summary by NALC and appendix 2, the draft response document which was authored by the meeting clerk with input from the Town Development Manager. Both documents were displayed on the Town Council website.

Members discussed the responses to the 26 questions and Cllr Reid offered several additions which were also discussed and agreed upon.

It was then RESOLVED that

The final response accompanying this set of minutes, be sent to NALC and directly to central Government.

marked as appendix 3 to avoid confusion with the draft. Members thanked the meeting Clerk for the suggested responses.

294. CORRESPONDENCE

a) 42 Barton Common Lane

Notice has been served on the Town Council by AJ Developments, due to a forthcoming application. A copy has been sent to the Council Solicitor who will be updated in due course once the detail of application known.

b) Cycle Event 24-25 October

The New Forest Rattler will take place on 24th and 25th October. The route includes Bashley Cross Road and Bashley Common Road. Any queries should be directed to jo@challengingevents.co.uk. The meeting clerk has already advised Burley Villa Riding Stables.

c) Planning Enforcement

A query has been raised regarding recruitment posters on the fencing of Glendalyn site. The case number is EN20/0287 and an update will be communicated in due course.

d) Tiptoe Road Gas Replacement

These works start on 21 September and run until early December. SGN have issued letters to residents and visited properties along the road with no specific issues raised. They will also communicate the works to local schools and businesses in the surrounding area. The road will be closed from Tiptoe Primary School to just before Fortune Riding Centre with no through traffic possible. Access will be maintained for properties and businesses via the Wootton Road/Tiptoe School end, and a hard concrete bollard at the Rising Sun end with space left for pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders which will be maintained at all times.

e) Tree and shrub removal adjacent empty Natwest building, 59 Station Road.

The meeting clerk advised that contractors had removed Leylandii and shrubs from the strip of privately owned land stretching east along Ashley Road on 22 September. The trees removed were not protected, the only protected tree on site is on the front eastern boundary and remains untouched. Agents for the site have advised they have made the car park more visible to aid marketing of the building. They have engaged the services of a landscaper but no decisions have

yet been made. There is an application process with the District Council for works to a protected tree and the agent is aware of this, having checked directly with them the week before works.

The Chairman reiterated that despite the site being prominent in the town, the landowner is at liberty to make changes without any involvement from local authorities.

295. NEXT MEETING

The next virtual meeting will be held on 8 October 2020 via Zoom. Members of the public can join the meeting by emailing info@newmiltontowncouncil.gov.uk no later than 24 hours before the meeting begins.

There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 7.03pm.

Chairman _____ Date _____

Minute	Task	By whom	By when
293	Provide final response sheet to members	Meeting clerk	25-09-2020
293	Send final responses	Meeting clerk	29-10-2020
294c	Check agreed plans regarding fencing type and landscaping	Meeting clerk	08-10-2020

Distribution:

Town Councillors;
 District Councillors J L Cleary and C V Ward;
 County Councillors F Carpenter, M Kendal and K Mans;
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List of Applications for the period ending 9 and 16 September 2020 – minute 291

Application No: **2010450** Ward: Becton Authority: NFDC
Applicant: Mr R Higgins
Site: Ashley Foodstore, Ashley Road
Proposal: Pole mounted parking signs (retrospective).
NMTC Comment: ACCEPTABLE (Delegated)

Application No: **2010793** Ward: Milton Authority: NFDC
Applicant: Mr Backhouse
Site: 60 Station Road
Proposal: Fascia signage including lighting comprising internally illuminated block letters on spacers.
NMTC Comment: ACCEPTABLE (Delegated)

Application No: **2010919** Ward: Barton Authority: NFDC
Applicant: Dr Anderson
Site: 15 Parkland Drive
Proposal: Front porch.
NMTC Comment: ACCEPTABLE (Delegated)

Application No: **2010928** Ward: Barton Authority: NFDC
Applicant: Mr Doug Knight
Site: Sheerwater, 28 Marine Drive West
Proposal: Extend existing first floor balcony.
NMTC Comment: ACCEPTABLE (Delegated)

Application No: **2010931** Ward: Fernhill Authority: NFDC
Applicant: Mrs Hall
Site: 22 Ferndale Road
Proposal: Erect front porch.
NMTC Comment: ACCEPTABLE (Delegated)

Application No: **2010936** Ward: Becton Authority: NFDC
Applicant: Mr and Mrs Rolfe
Site: Danesbury, Milford Road
Proposal: Second storey side addition over an existing single storey extension.
NMTC Comment: ACCEPTABLE (Delegated)

Application Number: **20/0439**

Ward Name: Barton

Location: 56 Barton Court Avenue

Description Reduce 1 x Oak.

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.

Application Number: **20/0457**

Ward Name: Becton

Location: Copse View Cottage, Springfield Gardens

Description Reduce 1 x Ash, 1 x Oak.

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.

Application Number: **20/0460**

Ward Name: Bashley

Location: 30 Marley Avenue

Description Fell 1 x Silver Birch, reduce 1 x Ash.

NMTC Comment:

Silver Birch - 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. If felling is advised we request that a habitat pole be left.

Ash - 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.
