



Minutes of the meeting of Planning Committee for New Milton Town Council, held on Tuesday 12 March 2024 at 6.30pm at the Town Hall.

<u>Councillors:</u>	Chairman	p	S J Clarke
	Vice Chairman	p	B Murrow
	p K E Craze	p	S P Davies
	p W B Davies		D E Hawkins
	p P M Moores	p	R A Reid
	p B M Scott-Johns		

Officer: Theresa Elliott, Assistant Town Clerk

There were 3 members of the public in attendance.

Mr Jackson from the Residents Association offered that he had recently stepped down as the Association Planning Secretary, and from now on the meetings would be attended on a rota basis across three individuals, him being one. He thanked the members for their past support and meeting clerk for her assistance and advice.

Mr Lord stated that in the Neighbourhood Plan Review, he hoped that specific projects would be crafted to include

- Recording of species and habitat loss, making policies to halt or improve the situation
- Include 2 specific policies covering
 - a) Wildlife and biodiversity, cataloguing and supportive measures – like the Local List project for buildings
 - b) Nature and Climate Emergency – what the town is doing to address matters.
- Specific professional contracted to draft such proposals
- Greater strength to land protection for SINCs, particularly those managed by the Town Council, as statutory nature reserves.
- Current policy NM4 (Design Quality) to state ‘all new development where suitable, incorporates access for wildlife for example, swift or bat bricks within the building fabric at a rate of at least one per dwelling’.

Mr Howard commented on application 24/00082 (Land northeast of Pennywell Gardens) and offered that the plans do not demonstrate the uneven ground levels. He offered that the structure would block views and commented that there is an informal access in use since 1988 when the land was sold to the Ashlet Gardens development, indicated by a clear track and kissing gate.

215. APOLOGIES

Cllr Hawkins had tendered his apologies.

216. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

217. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The chairman thanked Mr Lord, who agreed to leave the text he had read out. The chairman assured Mr Lord that the Neighbourhood Plan contractor Oneill Homer was already making similar changes to several matters he had mentioned, and the Working Party would be made aware of the rest.

(Post meeting note – copy taken and provided to the Town Clerk for information purposes).

He also stated that the Plan review was likely to take longer due to the District Council Local Plan preparation.

218. MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 29 February 2024 be agreed by the Chairman as a correct record.

The Minutes were duly signed.

Cllr S Davies commented on minute 213a, being the Hampshire County Council Traffic Order proposal for Barton on Sea. He urged members of the public to make their representations before the deadline of 15 March. He stated that if they have over 100 responses, the County Council will review the planned proposal. The link as below

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/community/publicnotices/publicnoticedetails?id=15251>

219. MATTERS ARISING

None.

220. LIST OF APPLICATIONS

The list of applications for the period ending 28 February and 4 March 2024 were considered (see attached list).

221. LIST OF DECISIONS

The list of decisions for periods ending 28 February and 4 March 2024 were noted (see attached list).

222. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Chairman advised the revised Action Plan has not yet been received.

223. CORRESPONDENCE

a) Ringwood Neighbourhood Plan

New Forest District Council have announced that the Ringwood Neighbourhood Plan, preparation and consultations for which started in 2018, was submitted for independent Examination in November 2023 and has now passed that stage. In his report issued in February, Examiner David Hogger stated that the plan can now be subject to public referendum once his modifications have been made. It is expected that once New Forest District Council sign off the modified plan, referendum is likely to take place this summer.

b) Field surface water issues

The Chairman raised an issue following discussion with Mr Lawford earlier in the week. Landowners have not been frequently reinstated ditches nor 'grips,' which would stop water discharge onto the highway.

The Chairman requested a letter be sent to the relevant department of Hampshire County Council, who should contact the landowners as they should with vegetation overhanging the highway.

Specific locations were offered as follows – Bashley Cross Road roundabout with Fernhill Lane – A337 Hoppers Hill – farm to the west of Ferndene Farm Shop.

224. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Planning Committee will be held on **THURSDAY 28 MARCH 2024** at 6.30pm in the Town Hall.

The meeting closed at 7.19pm.

Chairman_____Date_____

Minute	Action	By whom	By when
217	Contents to be relayed to Working Party	Chairman	Next available meeting
223b	Report locations to County Council	Meeting clerk	28/03/2024
223b	Draft letter for Chairman regarding ditch reinstatement	Meeting clerk	28/03/2024

Distribution:

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

List of Applications for the period 28 February and 4 March 2024 – Minute 221.

Application No: **24/00082** Ward: Bashley Authority: National Park
Applicant: Mr J Adams
Site: Land to the Northeast of, Pennywell Gardens

Proposal: Stable block with area of hardstanding

NMTC Comment: OBJECT (Delegated). The development is contrary to policy DP52 as it is
(a) not sensitively sited and will be obtrusive to the landscape beyond;
(b) not modest in scale.

Application No: **24/00145** Ward: Bashley Authority: National Park
Applicant: Mr & Mrs R Keffen
Site: Birchwood Retreat, Wootton Rough

Proposal: Manege.

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 No: **24/10109** Ward: Milton Authority: NFDC
Applicant: Mr & Mrs J Sivyer
Site: 32 Fenleigh Close

Proposal: Ground and first floor extensions; demolish existing garage.

NMTC Comment: OBJECT (Delegated)

- (1) Contrary to the Local Distinctiveness study page 60 regarding 'Building Format' and page 61 on 'Rhythms, patterns and consistency in features and detail'.
(2) Overdevelopment.
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Application No: **24/10110** Ward: Ashley North Authority: NFDC
Applicant: Mr & Mrs Redpath
Site: 10 Bertram Road

Proposal: Two-storey side extension; porch.

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 No: **24/10114** Ward: Barton & Becton Authority: NFDC
 Applicant: Mr R Moore
 Site: Land of 34 Chiltern Drive

Proposal: Demolition of existing garage and construction of a bungalow

NMTC Comment: OBJECT (Delegated)

- (1) Interrupts the general pattern of development
- (2) Lack of amenity space
- (3) Sets a precedent for 32 Chiltern Drive and others to do the same
- (4) Overdevelopment.

Application No: **24/10117** Ward: Barton & Becton Authority: NFDC
 Applicant: Alex Meads
 Site: 1 Parkland Drive

Proposal: Single-storey side extension.

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 No: **24/10118** Ward: Ashley North Authority: NFDC
 Applicant: Mr N Oliver
 Site: 76 Ashley Common Road

Proposal: Removal and replacement of existing roof lights with x 3 no. dormers to facilitate first floor extension.

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 No: **24/10121** Ward: Milton Authority: NFDC
 Applicant: Mr P and Mrs C Leavy
 Site: Coppice, Milford Road

Proposal: Convert existing garage into additional living accommodation ancillary to the dwelling including fenestration alterations.

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

Application No: **24/10148** Ward: Ballard Authority: NFDC
 Applicant: Mr L Hockley
 Site: The Meadows, 3 Marley Close

Proposal: New pitched roof garage replacing existing.

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: **24/0104**

Ward Name: Barton & Becton
 Location: Robin Green, Barton Common Road
 Description Oak x 2 Reduce, Holly 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.

Application Number: **24/0106**

Ward Name: Ballard
 Location: 8 Walnut Close
 Description Ash x 1 - fell.

NMTC Comment: 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.
