

Minutes of the meeting of Planning Committee for New Milton Town Council, held on Thursday 14 August 2025 at 6.30pm at the Town Hall.

Councillors:		Chairman	р	S J Clarke
	р	S P Davies		
	р	W B Davies	р	D E Hawkins
		R Maynard	р	P M Moores
		B Murrow	р	R A Reid
	р	B M Scott-Johns		

Officer: Theresa Elliott – Assistant Town Clerk

There was 1 person in attendance.

Application No. 25/10661 – 1 person spoke for this application.

66. APOLOGIES

Cllrs R Murrow and R Maynard had tendered their apologies.

67. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

68. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

69. MINUTES

It was then RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meetings held on 31st July 2025 be agreed by the Chairman as a correct record.

The Minutes were duly signed.

70. MATTERS ARISING

The meeting clerk advised that

 County Cllr Bowerman's full response to the letter regarding parking area safety at Tesco 25-27 Station Road had been read at the recent Town Council meeting; • The poor road surfacing outside Bradbeers in Station Road had been reported once again to the County Highways team, with accompanying photographs.

71. LIST OF APPLICATIONS

The list of applications for the periods ending 30 July and 6 August 2025 were considered (see attached list).

72. <u>LIST OF DECISIONS</u>

The list of decisions for periods ending 30 July and 6 August 2025 were noted (see attached list).

73. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Chairman advised that there will be a meeting at 11am on Tuesday 26 August, which will include detail of the pre-submission comments gathered during the recent consultation.

74. CORRESPONDENCE

a) New Forest Local Plan Process

A recent press release from New Forest District Council had highlighted public consultation events on Issues and Scope plus the Call for Sites and had seen a significant increase in public comments. Issues raised were the urgent requirement for affordable housing, infrastructure improvements, resilience for climate change and protection for the unique character of the New Forest. Town centre regeneration was also of residents' concerns. There will be further opportunity to get involved with the Local Plan making later this year, and next Autumn when the draft Local Plan is expected.

75. <u>NEXT MEETING</u>

The next meeting of the Planning Committee will be held on Thursday 28 August 2025 at 6.30pm in the Town Hall.

The meeting closed at 7.12pm.

Chairman	Date

Minute	Task	By whom	By when
	None.		

Distribution:

Town Councillors
District Councillor J L Cleary
County Councillors M Kendal, F Carpenter and K Mans
New Milton Police
Press
New Milton Residents Association

<u>List of Applications for the period 30 July and 6 August 2025 – Minute 60.</u>

Application No: **25/10617** Applicant: Mr I Shave Ward: Ashley North Authority: NFDC

Site: Little Grove, 17 Barrs Avenue

Proposal: 1.9 M high boundary fence and gates to front boundary (Retrospective).

NMTC COMMENT: OBJECT (Delegated)

1) The fence and gates are too high for this vicinity, and negatively affect character as per Local Distinctiveness Study text on page 39 (Front Boundaries are generally low in this area)

2) The retrospective nature of this application is somewhat concerning.

Application No: **25/10638** Applicant: Mrs A Mayall

Ward: Barton & Becton Authority: NFDC

Site: **34 Highlands Road**Proposal: Conservatory to rear.

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: **25/10643**Ward: Ballard

Applicant: Mr S Rowe

Authority: NFDC

Site: Ballard Wood, 38 Kennard Road

Proposal: Removal and replacement of conservatory with single-storey rear extension; open sided porch; roof alterations include dormers and roof lights 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 No: **25/10660** Applicant: Mr and Mrs C Plows

Ward: Barton & Becton Authority: NFDC

Site: 22 Solent Drive

Proposal: Front extension to create 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: **25/10661** Applicant: Ms J Kenworthy

Ward: Barton & Becton Authority: NFDC

Site: 30 Grove Road

Proposal: Single-storey side extensions following removal of sunroom and garage; removal of

chimneys and repair of thatching; fenestration alterations.

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: **25/10673**Ward: Milton

Applicant: Mr S Gray

Authority: NFDC

Site: Osborne Lodge Rest Home, 30 Osborne Road

Proposal: Two storey front extension to relocate main office and create new ensuite bedroom.

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: 25/10678 Applicant: Mr J Rees

Ward: Ashley South Authority: NFDC

Site: Land of 1 Duncan Road

Proposal: 1no. dwelling attached to existing dwelling; access and parking.

NMTC Comment: OBJECT (NON-Delegated)

- This subdivided plot is just 7.2m wide whereas the current narrowest in Duncan Road is 11.5m, against the Rhythms and Patterns guidance on page 45 of New Milton Local Distinctiveness Study;
- 2) it is also forward sited from the others making it detrimental to the street scene, therefore doesn't respect the setback text on page 44 of Local Distinctiveness Study.
- 3) The additional, higher ridgeline is also an issue of character.

These issues repeat those of application 20/11219 so New Forest District Council should repeat their refusal text, 'cramped and contrived'.

Application No: 25/10683 Applicant: Mr & Mrs Close

Ward: Ashley South Authority: NFDC

Site: 34 Ashley Common Road

Proposal: Garden annexe to provide ancillary accommodation.

NMTC Comment: OBJECT (Delegated)

1) Back land development

2) This wholly independent unit is of concern despite offered justification and paves the way for subdivision in the future.

Application No: **25/10686** Applicant: Mr I and Mrs P Milward

Ward: Milton Authority: NFDC

Site: 29 Milton Mead

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.

Tree Work Applications

Application Number: 25/0356 Authority: NFDC

Ward Name: Milton

Location: 19 Newlands Road 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.

Application Number: 25/0361 Authority: NFDC

Ward Name: **Ashley North**Location: 7 Derwent Road

Description: Beech x 1 - reduce, Oak x 2 - 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: **25/0369** Authority: NFDC

Ward Name: **Ashley North**Location: 79 Manor Road
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.