

**MILFORD-ON-SEA PARISH COUNCIL**  
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**THESE MINUTES WILL BE APPROVED AT THE NEXT FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON THE 7<sup>th</sup> MAY 2019**

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

Minutes of the 370<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Parish Council held **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2019** in the Village Hall at 6.30pm

**MEMBERS**

Mr. Bob Bishop	p	Mr. Matthew Goode	p	Mrs. Susan Whitlock	
Mr. Tim Cowell	p	Mr. Peter Jennions	p	Mr. Ivan Chandler	
Mrs. Patricia Banks	p	Mr. Donald Darbishire	p	Mrs. Jane Coster	p
Mr. Kenneth Cameron	p	Mrs. Pauline Taylor		Ms. Anne Cullen	p

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

Graham Wells (Parish Clerk), County Cllr Fran Carpenter, Reporter (Lyngington Times) 6 members of the public.

1. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Cllr Coster for item 7.

2. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None.

3. **APOLOGIES:** Cllr Chandler, Whitlock and Taylor.

4. **MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 18<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2019:**

The Chair referred to item 15. The Clerk reported that acknowledgement had been received from Sir Desmond Swayne stating the War Memorial Hospital was going to be discussed further with Julian Lewis MP. It was agreed a further letter should be sent after 3<sup>rd</sup> May if no further correspondence is received. Cllr Goode proposed the minutes be approved; Cllr Cowell seconded this proposal. Members voted unanimously in favour of the minutes being approved.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on **18<sup>th</sup> March 2019** was a true record of the meeting and were duly adopted and signed by the Chair.

5. **PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES OF 8<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2019:**

Minutes of the planning meeting had been circulated.

The Chair referred to item 9 and the anxiety expressed by many Councillors and Residents that NFDC's legal team gave very little weight to the original Adopted Local Plan and that this raises concerns regarding the new Local Plan and whether the public will have a great deal of enthusiasm to engage with the proposal to develop land north of Manor Road. Cllr Banks suggested it was difficult for officers to refuse the application; however, the 70% affordable homes should not have been in doubt. Cllr Cameron suggested inquiring as to whether NFDC was going to challenge the Inspector's decision.

6. **FINANCIAL MATTERS:**

a) **EXPENDITURE REPORT FOR MARCH 2019:**

The Clerk had, prior to the meeting, circulated copies of the Expenditure Report for the above period. Members voted unanimously that the Expenditure Report be approved.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Expenditure Report for **March 2019** was a true record of expenditure and were duly adopted and signed by the Chair.

b) **INCOME REPORT FOR MARCH 2019:**

The Clerk had, prior to the meeting, circulated copies of the Income Report for the above period.

Members voted unanimously that the Income Report be approved.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Income Report for **March 2019** was a true record of income and were duly adopted and signed by the Chair.

c) **BANK ACCOUNT STATEMENTS FOR MARCH 2019:**

Statements for March were circulated for information.

d) **GRANT APPLICATION FROM VICTIM SUPPORT:**

Cllr Banks proposed awarding £200; Cllr Darbshire seconded this proposal.

Members voted unanimously in favour.

It was **RESOLVED** that £200 be awarded to Victim Support paid from the Community Support Fund.

7. **LAND AT THE BOLTONS:**

The Clerk reminded members that over 18 months ago the Parish Council decided not to pursue to transfer of land into its ownership from the Crown Estate following an indication of the cost to do so, and had no objections to allow the residents of The Boltons to purchase the land from the Crown themselves. The land was now in the ownership of “Cotton Land Management” which comprised of 6 households. The Clerk reported that concerns from other local residents had been received that there could be a possibility of the path through The Bolton to Ravens Way being closed off.

A member of the public reported that the path had been in use for over 30 years and was safer than walking along Westover Road, where there was no pathway.

Cllr Cameron suggested that there might be a legal requirement to keep the path open.

Cllr Bishop suggested a firm proposition needed to be received and prior to this legal advice obtained on the pathway.

Cllr Coster commented that a proposal would be made by Cotton Land Management to the Parish Council.

8. **SECURITY AT BARNES LANE PAVILION:**

The Clerk reported that there had been two break-ins over the last few months and some damaged caused. He reported that although the local constabulary had agreed to provide updated information on the first break-in; this had not yet been received.

Junior Football Coach Josh Mantock reported that the area around to Pavilion was often used for smoking and drinking and that often smashed glass was evident which caused major concern.

Cllr Cameron suggested CCTV be installed. Cllr Goode suggested that this might not be financially viable due to the cost of the high-quality recognition which would be needed.

Cllr Cowell suggested additional lighting. The Clerk reported there were a number of lights around the Pavilion but keeping them on at night might generate complaints from residents.

Josh Mantock suggested motion sensitive lighting

The Parish Council agreed the Clerk should investigate the cost and effectiveness of motion sensitive lights.

9. **DEVELOPMENT AT SOLENT GRANGE:**

The Parish Clerk reported that no decision had been made from NFDC’s legal department on the Lawful Development Certificate even though this was due by 1<sup>st</sup> April. Cllr Bishop suggested there were public and environmental concerns related to the state of Solent Grange.

A member of the public reported that work was starting very early and that he had written to NFDC’s Health & Safety Department.

The Parish Council requested the office staff enquire of NFDC the situation of the Lawful Development Certificate and other enforcement requirements.

10. **CLIFF TOP PATH FROM MILFORD TO BARTON:**

Cllr Bishop reported that following a letter to Sir Desmond Swayne MP, Sir Desmond had responded indicating he was going to engage with Natural England on this subject. There were concerns, Cllr Bishop added, that the path would remain closed for a significant period of time if there was another land fall.

Cllr Cameron suggested writing to Sir Desmond again if no further correspondence is received.

11. **FORTHCOMING PARISH ELECTIONS:**

The Parish Clerk reported that all information on the elections would be sent to all candidates when received in the office.

Cllr Goode enquired as to the process, limitations and who pays for any expenses incurred. The Clerk agreed to forward clarification on this area to all candidate the following day.

**12. IMPROVEMENTS AND MAINTENANCE TO MILFORD SEA FRONT:**

The Clerk reported that NFDC's Deputy Chief Executive Colin Read had indicated funds could become available to improve the visual impact of Milford Sea Front. Recently a report stating that £50k was available had been made in the press, this money was earmarked for coastal engineering work. However, NFDC and the Parish Council will engage in further talks on other possible long-term projects in the coming months.

**13. COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:**

County Cllr Carpenter reported that surveys of Hampshire road were being undertaken by a vehicle that can detect both surface and sub-surface issues and thus determine what roads need attention.

Cllr Bishop questioned the current improvements being implemented were on roads less used than major thoroughfares that needed significant attention.

Cllr Goode suggested that when reporting road issues, it is good practice to supplement the complaint with a photograph and exact location.

**16. PROJECT LEADER/REPRESENTATIVE/CLERK REPORTS AND UPDATES:**

**A. Business, Education & Community**

A Tourism meeting should be held in the spring.

**B. Communication & Citizen Engagement**

PC Ali Longworth is scheduled to attend the annual meeting of the Parish Council and the Public.

**C. Environment & Open Spaces**

The Clerk reported that a path, benches and raised beds were due in the Community Meadow within the next few weeks.

Cllr Goode reported on the condition of the fence at the village green. The Clerk reported that the repairs by the new resident were expected very soon.

Cllr Goode suggested contacting the Environment Agency to take a survey of the silt build-up in the Danestream.

**D. Groups & Societies**

Cllr Bishop reported the Community Panel is due to meet the following day.

**E. Health & Wellbeing**

Cllr Cameron suggested a brown sign be erected showing the location of Carrington Lane Play Area.

**F. Sea Front & Coastal Protection**

Nothing to Report.

**G. Transportation & Infrastructure**

The Clerk reported that permission had been given by SSE to erect the speed indicator on its lamp posts.

**17. CORRESPONDENCE:**

Notice of the lease extension to the Centenary Garden for 20 years had been received.

**16. MATTERS FOR INFORMATION:**

None given.

The Chair thanked everyone for attending and **CLOSED** the meeting at 8.00pm.

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