**MILFORD-ON-SEA PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the 602nd Planning Committee 7th August 2023**

**Held in The Village Hall, Park Road at 6.30pm**

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**Planning Committee Minutes**

**Members:**

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| Sue Whitlock (Chair) p  Patricia Banks (Vice Chair) p |  | Christine Hopkins p  Bernard Bennett p |  | Peter Jennions p  Kenneth Cameron |
| David Royle p |  | Anne Cullen p |  | Sue Pepper p |
| Bob Bishop p |  | Donald Darbishire |  |  |

**In Attendance:**

Niamh Morrison (Planning Clerk), and 3 members of the public.

Cllr Whitlock opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

**1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Royle for Item TPO/23/0318

**2. APOLOGIES**

District Cllr Hawkins, District Cllr Reid, Cllr Darbishire.

**3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Mr. Horwood for Item 23/10676.

**4.** **MINUTES OF THE LAST PLANNING MEETING**

Cllr Banks proposed the minutes be approved; Cllr Bishop seconded this proposal.

Members voted unanimously in favour.

The minutes of the planning committee held on 3rd of July were agreed and signed by the Chair. The minutes would go to the next full Parish Meeting for adoption.

**5. TREE AND BUILDING PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**Tree work Applications**

**Application No:** [**TPO/23/0318**](https://forms.newforest.gov.uk/ufs/TREEWORKS.eb?CALLED=N&CASEREF=TPO%2F23%2F0318&ebd=0&ebz=2_1689585689148)

**Site: Kingsmead, De La Warr Road, Milford-On-Sea, SO41 0PS**

**Proposal: Holm Oak x 5 Fell, Oak x 1 Fell, Pine x 1 Reduce**

**Reason:** T1 Monterey Pine - There is a fractured branch over the highway that needs to be removed. The removal might expose other issues with the low canopy which the work specification seeks to address.  
T5 and T6 Holm Oak - Neither tree is the subject of the TPO, as far as I can tell. Confirmation from the LPA would be appreciated.  
Small Oak adjacent T1 - This suppressed tree is nearly dead and again I do not think it is covered by the TPO. Confirmation from the LPA would be appreciated.

**The parish council acknowledges the need to remove the suppressed stem on the Monterey Pine to improve the clearance over the road. They query the necessity of the felling of the Holm Oaks. The parish council would deem T5 and T6 felling unnecessary. They question the need to fell T2, T3 and T4 fronting Victoria Road and would support an application to crown reduce to encourage growth and vigour. They contribute to the street scene on Victoria Road and wish to see them maintained**.

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**This application was decided upon prior to the planning meeting.**

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**Application No:** [**TPO/23/0352**](https://forms.newforest.gov.uk/ufs/TREEWORKS.eb?CALLED=N&CASEREF=TPO%2F23%2F0352&ebd=0&ebz=2_1690793793047)

**Site: 1 Kivernell Road, Milford-on-Sea, SO41 0PP**

**Proposal: Horse Chestnut x 1 Prune lower branches to create clearance of 4.5m over driveway. This is a crown lift of approximately 0.5m which is minor work that will not have any detrimental impact on the tree**

**Reason:** The pruning is required to facilitate the imminent delivery of shipping containers of applicant's personal possessions from overseas

**The committee raised no objections to the tree works outlined in this application.**

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**Planning Applications**



Cllr Cullen proposed a Par 3, Cllr Royle seconded this proposal.

**PAR 3: We recommend PERMISSION**

**The parish council recommend careful consideration given to the timings of the proposed works being carried out given the locality.**

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Cllr Jennions proposed a Par 1, Cllr Banks seconded this proposal. 3 members voted to support this proposal. 4 members voted against this proposal.

**PAR 1: We recommend PERMISSION but would accept the decision reached by the District Council’s Officers under their delegated powers.**

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**PAR 1: We recommend PERMISSION but would accept the decision reached by the District Council’s Officers under their delegated powers.**

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**Application No:** [**23/10676**](https://planning.newforest.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=documents&keyVal=_NEWFO_DCAPR_219604)

**Site: Longcliffe, Victoria Road, Milford-on-Sea, SO41 0NL**

**Proposal:** Erect 1no. new dwelling; bike and bin store; electric vehicle charge point; demolition of existing outbuildings

Mr. Horwood addressed the committee and voiced his concerns about the location of this proposed dwelling, his concerns regarding overdevelopment and the negative impact it would have on the street scene.

Cllr Royle proposed a Par 4, Cllr Cullen seconded this proposal. All members voted unanimously in favour.

**PAR 4: We recommend REFUSAL**

**The parish council deem this infill as completely inappropriate and cramped. It would result in a negative impact on the existing properties. There is already enough residence on this site and the parish council firmly believe there is insufficient scope for anymore. It is indicative of overdevelopment of the site.**

**The proposed development is completely out of character with the area, resulting in a negative influence on the street scene and visual amenity it currently holds.**

**Furthermore, the consent of TPO/22/0048 in March 2022 came with a condition that a replacement tree in the form of Coriscan Pine, Holm Oak or Oak be planted in the same vicinity as the original tree. The reason is to ensure that the loss of amenity be mitigated for future generations and to preserve the character of the local area. The parish council recommend this condition be implemented for obvious reasons. The parish council will not be satisfied if the replacement tree is planted in a different vicinity to the one that was felled, as this would not mitigate the loss and preserve the street scene.**

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**Application No:** [**23/10714**](https://planning.newforest.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=documents&keyVal=_NEWFO_DCAPR_219656)

**Site: 5 Shorefield Way, Milford-on-Sea, SO41 0RW**

**Proposal:** Two storey side extension; adjoined garage at front of property; roadside frontage fence

Cllr Royle proposed a Par 1, Cllr Jennions seconded this proposal. All members voted unanimously in favour.

**PAR 1: We recommend PERMISSION but would accept the decision reached by the District Council’s Officers under their delegated powers**.

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**Application No:** [**23/10740**](https://planning.newforest.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=documents&keyVal=_NEWFO_DCAPR_219697)

**Site: 55 Shorefield Way, Milford-on-Sea, SO41 0RW**

**Proposal:** Rear extension

Cllr Cullen proposed a Par 3, Cllr Royle seconded this proposal. All members voted unanimously in favour.

**PAR 3: We recommend PERMISSION**

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Cllr Royle proposed a Par 1, Cllr Bishop seconded this proposal. This vote fell. Cllr Banks proposed a Par 5, Cllr Cullen seconded this proposal. 3 members voted to support this proposal; 2 members voted against, 3 members abstained.

**PAR 5: We are happy to accept the decision reached by the District Council’s Officers under their delegated powers.**

**Whilst the parish council approve the design of the proposal, they disagree with the concept of merging 2 dwellings into 1, resulting in the loss of a home.**

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**Application No:** [**23/10763**](https://planning.newforest.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=documents&keyVal=_NEWFO_DCAPR_219739)

**Site: Twin Oaks, Shorefield Road, Downton, Milford-on-Sea, SO41 0LH**

**Proposal:** Rear dormer window

Cllr Cullen proposed a Par 3, Cllr Royle seconded this proposal. All members voted unanimously in favour.

**PAR 3: We recommend PERMISSION**

**6. PLANNING DECISIONS**

**Granted:**

CONS/23/0267 - Ivy Bank Cottage, Vinegar Hill, Milford-on-Sea, SO41 0RZ (Raised Objection)

23/10472 - 69 Swallow Drive, Milford-on-Sea, SO41 0XG (PAR 1)

23/10521 - 3 Dryden Place, Milford-on-Sea, SO41 0WE (PAR 1)

23/10644 – 4 Shorefield Way, Milford-on-Sea, SO41 0RX (LDC)

23/10622 – Selhurst, Northfield Road, Milford-on-Sea, SO41 0RE (PAR 1)

23/10698 – Milford-on-Sea Circuit, Hurst Castle & Lymington River (EIA Not Required)

CONS/23/0276 – 2 Hillside Cottage, Barnes Lane, Milford-on-Sea, SO41 0RL (Raise no objections)

23/10613 – Milford Tennis and Squash Club, Lucerne Road, Milford-on-Sea, SO41 0PL (PAR 1)

23/00755CONS – Fishers Mead, Keyhaven Road, Keyhaven, Lymington, SO41 0TP (Raise no objections)

**Withdrawn:**

23/10527 – Pippin Cottage, Lymore Lane, Milford-on-Seam S041 0TX

**Refused:**

None.

**7.** **APPEALS**

None.

**8. NFDC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

22/10980 - Arundel, Manor Road, Milford-on-Sea – Granted

23/10450 – 3 Knowland Drive, Milford-on-Sea – Granted

**9. ENFORCEMENTS**

None.

**10. LICENCE APPLICATIONS**

None.

**11. CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

12. **TO DISCUSS PARISH COUNCIL ATTENDANCE AT NFDC MONTLY PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

It was discussed widely and agreed by all that a rota system should be re-introduced to ensure attendance, if necessary, at monthly NFDC Planning Meetings. The system would allow flexibility to swap when necessary. There would be a requirement for councillors representing the parish council to have voted in favour for the parish council’s submitted decision on any application. Cllr Banks suggested a recorded count of votes would be useful in this instance. Cllr Hopkins suggested a “buddy” system where councillors could attend together or swap.

**13. ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS UNGENT**

Cllr Whitlock informed her fellow Councillors that the Case Officer recently published material on the NFDC planning portal for application 23/10476, Land North of Manor Road. She summarised some of the content and the committee were made aware that it is available for online viewing.

Cllr Pepper informed her fellow Councillors that she circulated an email that afternoon to up-date them on a recent meeting she attended (Milford Residents for Sustainable Development) regarding this application and had attached the Case Officer’s report that Cllr Whitlock had just referenced.

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Cllr Bennett welcomed feedback regarding the projector and operating online from a new laptop. Cllr Cullen suggested replacement of the projector and laptop would be on the next full parish council agenda.

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Cllr Pepper queried if there was a map available to illustrate areas of responsibility.

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*Chair, Planning Committee*