

26 JULY 1993

NEW FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the New Forest District Council held at Appletree Court, Lyndhurst on Monday, 26 July 1993.

p Cllr Mrs J K Vernon-Jackson MBE JP - Chairman
p Cllr S S Wade - Vice-Chairman

Councillors:

p Mrs N E Alldrige
p K E Austin
p Mrs O A M Badland
p S Bailey
p P A Baker
p Mrs P D Baker
p Mrs M J Bannister
p Major C Beeton MBE
p W E B Boothby
p E R Bowring
e Mrs D M Brooks
p D S Burdle
p R J Burnett
p J E Coles
p Miss S A Cooke
p D E Cracknell
e J G Craig
p W F Croydon
p B A Cullers
p G Dawson
p J J Dawson
p Miss P A Drake
p B C Earwicker
p Major S S Elvery
p Mrs L K Errington
p L P Gibbs
p W J Greer
p A J C Griffiths

Councillors:

p R C H Hale
p F R Harrison
p Mrs Y P Holloway
p Mrs A M Howe
p J M Hoy
p J A G Hutchins JP
p J Lovering
p J Maynard
e N D M McGeorge
p Mrs M McLean
e Miss G E Meaden
p R F Orton
p P G Pearce-Smith
p C G Ramsden
p A W Rice TD
p Miss G M Rickus CBE
p Mrs M J Robinson
p D N Scott
p Lieut Col M J Shand
p S A Shepherd
p A J Simmons
p Mrs B Smith
p Mrs L P Snashall
p G Spikins
p R G Vernon-Jackson
p G H Wales
p Mrs D Wilson
p Mrs P A Wyeth

Officers Attending:

P A D Hyde, N J Gibbs, D A Gurney, Mrs M Holmes, E S Johnson, I B Mackintosh, Miss J Debnam, J Paterson and T R Simpson.

20. MINUTES.

Cllr Burdle believed that Minute 8(a) misrepresented his viewpoint with respect to the opening times of public service counters at Police Stations. He objected specifically to the closure of public service counters, which he considered should be open 24 hours a day.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 24 May 1993, having been

circulated, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

21. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(a) Bottle Bank Award

The Chairman was pleased to announce that this Council had been named as Britain's most enthusiastic glass recycler in the national award scheme. Approximately 25% of the glass used in the New Forest was now recycled and in 1993 the Council had reached the milestone of 10,000 tonnes of recycled glass in the past decade.

(b) John Paterson

The Chairman presented John Paterson with an inscribed silver salver to mark his retirement after 42 years service in Local Government. He had joined this Council in 1978, and was made Deputy Chief Technical Officer in 1988. A former Chairman of the Environmental Services Committee, Cecil Lewingdon, attended the meeting for the presentation.

In thanking members, John Paterson spoke of his happy association with the Council and wished everyone well in the progress towards a Unitary Authority in 1996.

(c) Councillors - Twenty Years Service

The Chairman was pleased to present Councillors Alan Rice, John Coles, Lesley Errington, Derek Burdle and Margaret Bannister with certificates and shields to mark twenty years service with this Council. The other founder member of this Council, Gordon Craig, unfortunately was not present at the meeting.

22. QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS.

The Chairman was pleased to announce that Dr Nuala Sterling had been awarded the CBE and Dr Malcolm Tuddenham, Shirley Blick and Celia Burgess the MBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours List. Letters of congratulations had been sent.

23. CENTRAL SERVICES COMMITTEE.

Cllr Wade presented the minutes of the meetings held on 24 May and 22 June 1993.

On the motion that the minutes be received:-

RESOLVED:

That the minutes be received.

24. CONTRACT SERVICES COMMITTEE.

Cllr Miss Rickus presented the minutes of the meetings held on 24 May and 29 June 1993.

On the motion that the minutes be received:-

RESOLVED:

That the minutes be received.

25. EMERGENCIES COMMITTEE.

Cllr Lt Col Shand presented the minutes of the meetings held on 24 May, 27 May and 5 July 1993.

On the motion that the minutes be received:-

RESOLVED:

That the minutes be received.

26. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE.

Cllr Mrs Vernon-Jackson presented the minutes of the meetings held on 24 May and 17 June 1993.

On the motion that the minutes be received and the recommendation be adopted:-

(a) Election of Chairman (Minute 1)

Cllr Burdle did not believe that the Chairman of the Council should be elected as Chairman of a programme committee. This was contrary to the new division of roles which placed the chairmanship of the Council above political considerations. Standing Orders had previously prevented the Chairman of the Council from being the Chairman of a programme committee and he did not believe that members had been aware of the full implications when they had agreed the amendment of Standing Order 36. A number of other members supported these concerns.

Cllr Burdle moved and Cllr Greer seconded that this matter should be referred back for further consideration, but accepted as an alternative that a report on this issue would be submitted to the next meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee.

(b) Flooding at Calmore Road (Minute 11)

In answer to a question from Cllr Mrs Wilson, Cllr Shepherd advised members that the temporary works to alleviate flooding at Calmore Road, Totton had been started on 22 July and should have been completed by the date of this meeting.

(c) Lorry Parking in Lyndhurst Coach Park (Minute 12)

While recognising the reasons why residents of Lyndhurst did not want lorries parked in the coach park, Cllr Mrs Bannister did not believe that Totton and Ringwood should be expected to provide lorry parking facilities for the surrounding area. As goods vehicle operators had to provide parking places as part of their licence conditions, she questioned the need for overnight lorry parking places to be provided in this District.

Cllr Harrison noted that the traders in Rumbridge Street, Totton were actively upgrading their shopping area and encouraging environmental improvements. It was possible that the traders would seek to avoid parking areas which were obvious,

particularly from the by-pass.

Cllrs Burdle, Burnett, Cullers and Earwicker suggested that lorries now had sleeping cabs and the drivers were not expected to find bed and breakfast accommodation. Overnight lorry parking was needed to provide places where drivers could stop at the end of their hours allocation, but without disturbing existing residents. New Milton Town Council had asked for a lorry park to be provided near to the industrial estates in that town.

The Chairman advised members that this problem had been examined in the past, particularly in respect of problems with lorry parking along the Waterside. As there were lorry parking areas at Ringwood, Totton and Rownhams, the County Council had not been satisfied that there was a need for further overnight parking places in the Forest.

- (d) Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984 - Appointment as "Proper Officer" (Minute 19)

In answer to a question from Cllr Austin, members were advised that AIDS was not a notifiable disease.

- (e) Proposed A36 West Wellow By-Pass - Further Public Consultation (Minute 24)

Cllr Croydon disclosed an interest in this matter and advised members he had a dispensation from the Secretary of State to speak, but not to vote. There was no discussion on this item.

- (f) Institution of Environmental Health Officers Annual Conference (Minute 34)

Cllr Mrs Smith was pleased to note that the costs of attending this conference had been included in the Minutes. She hoped that in future all committees would publish this information in order that this sort of expenditure could be kept under closer scrutiny. Cllr Griffiths supported this view and suggested that the cost of transport and accommodation should also be included. In addition, members attending conferences should give some assessment of the Conference's value in order that a proper evaluation of the benefits, judged against the cost, could be made in future years.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes be received and the recommendations be adopted.

27. HOUSING COMMITTEE.

Cllr Mrs Robinson presented the minutes of the meetings held on 24 May, 15 June and 13 July 1993.

On the motion that the minutes be received and the recommendations be adopted:-

- (a) Housing Investment Programme 1992/93 and 1993/94 (Minute 16)

Cllr Griffiths expressed his opposition to the installation of mains-operated smoke detectors and his dissatisfaction that work

to install the alarms was starting, when it had been agreed that the use of "long life" batteries in alarms would be investigated and pursued if feasible. He considered the Council could adequately fulfil its roll as a responsible landlord by providing battery operated alarms with long life batteries. With proper advice to tenants, battery operated alarms should work well. He considered it patronising to say tenants would remove the batteries and disable the alarms. Mains-operated alarms were significantly more expensive to install, and as they would need routine servicing and checking they would also carry maintenance costs and a risk that they would not function at all times.

A number of members supported the view that the additional cost of installing mains-operated alarms could not be justified. While sharing the concern about costs, other members were mindful of the advice that the Council was responsible for ensuring that the alarms it fitted remained in working order. Their experience suggested that alarms would be disabled by removing the batteries, particularly if they went off too easily. This could be a problem even when the alarm was installed in accordance with advice. It was noted that the cost of replacing the batteries would be significant to some tenants.

In replying to the debate, Cllr Mrs Robinson reminded members that this issue had been discussed at length at the last meeting of the Council. The tenants had been consulted, and expressed their support for expenditure on mains-operated alarms before the decision had been taken, and she had not received any complaints since. It had been agreed that the use of long life battery alarms would be investigated, but it had been established that they did not provide adequate safeguards and would not meet the obligations placed on a landlord. Cllr Griffiths had been advised of these findings by letter. Cllr Mrs Robinson assured members that the officers would continue to monitor the systems available and should a cheaper, equally effective alternative be developed, this could be adopted at a later date.

(b) Little Dene Copse, Lymington (Minute 21)

Cllr Wales expressed his concern that the proposed development of this site would not meet the requirements included in the Coastal Towns Local Plan for a mix of social housing types. He sought reassurance that the Housing Project Control Sub-Committee would be involved with this development. Cllr Mrs Robinson advised members that this would be done.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes be received and the recommendations be adopted.

28. LEISURE SERVICES COMMITTEE.

Cllr J J Dawson presented the minutes of the meetings held on 24 May and 1 June 1993.

Cllr J J Dawson thanked members for the cards and best wishes he had received during his recent illness.

On the motion that the minutes be received:-

(a) Grant Fund Applications (Minute 18)

Cllr J J Dawson referred to the decision to grant aid works to the Totton Christian Centre Association, while refusing a similar application from Hythe United Reformed Church. He explained that projects had been assigned a priority rating in order to ration the use of limited funds. The Totton Christian Centre was no longer a church and was being intensively used as a community hall. It had met all the grant criteria to be assigned a high priority. The Hythe United Reformed Church remained a church with some community use and had been awarded medium priority. He advised members that it was now hoped to be able to grant aid medium priority schemes from the funds available and the applications would be taken back to the Committee for further consideration in due course.

Cllr Rice hoped that grants would not be cut as a reflection of their being indexed linked.

(b) Colbury Memorial Hall (Minute 19)

Cllr Harrison advised members that he had supported this application, but maintained reservations on the grounds that Colbury Memorial Hall was not readily accessible by car to people from West Totton.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Cllr Spikins expressed thanks for grant aid for works at the Memorial Hall. He reassured members that the hall was frequently used by people from West Totton, and indeed, was easily reached on foot from some properties, being only a quarter of a mile from the nearest homes.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes be received.

29. LICENSING COMMITTEE.

Cllr Burnett presented the minutes of the meetings held on 24 May and 27 May 1993.

On the motion that the minutes be received and the recommendations be adopted:-

(a) Revision of Guidelines Relating to Convictions (Minute 9)

Cllr Rice expressed his dismay about the contents of the amended guidelines relating to the relevance of convictions in considering applications for drivers' licences. He believed the public should be afforded the highest possible protection, particularly from people with certain categories of conviction. He moved that this matter be referred back for further consideration. The amendment was seconded by Cllr Burdle.

In supporting reference back, some members considered that the restrictions set out in the guidelines were adequate, but the way in which they were expressed was open to misinterpretation. In addition, there needed to be some way of taking account of

circumstances. For example, an accidental intoxication with a medically prescribed substance should not be considered as seriously as abuse of illegal substances.

Cllr Burnett accepted this matter being referred back for further consideration.

(b) Proposed Alterations to Hythe Taxi Rank (Minute 11)

In answer to a question from Cllr Greer, Cllr Burnett advised members that it was hoped a conclusion regarding works to Brookley Road taxi rank, Brockenhurst would be reached by the next meeting of the Committee.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes be received and the recommendations be adopted, subject to Minute 9 being referred back for further consideration.

30. PLANNING COMMITTEE.

Cllr G Dawson presented the minutes of the meetings held on 24 May, 9 June and 14 July 1993.

On the motion that the minutes be received and the recommendations be adopted:-

(a) Draft Planning Policy Guidance on Transport (Minute 18)

Cllr Mrs Bannister considered that policies stating encouragement of the use of public transport were unrealistic. People were not likely to give up the use of their private cars. Public transport services would only improve if more people were prepared to use them.

In answer to a question from Cllr Vernon-Jackson, members were advised that the potential effects of the privatisation of British Rail had not been considered in respect of this item.

(b) Conservation Area Designation at Old Milton Green, New Milton (Minute 32)

In answer to a question from Cllr Mrs Wilson, members were advised that the Conservation Area to be designated was that shown on the map, reproduced as Appendix 1 to the minutes.

(c) Lyndhurst Traffic and Environmental Study (Minute 47)

Cllr Miss Cooke believed that part (c) of the recommendation was too open-ended, as it was unlikely that work on a by-pass would be progressed within the next ten to fifteen years. All options for an outer by-pass should be left open but a clear statement should be made that the route must take account of the environmental constraints imposed by the special character of the Forest. She moved as an amendment that recommendation (c) should read "That the County Council be advised that all options for an outer by-pass of Lyndhurst, not significantly affecting open Forest land, should be the subject of further discussion, but this Council strongly supports the view expressed on behalf of Lyndhurst residents that an inner by-pass should not be

considered".

The amendment was initially seconded by Cllr Miss Drake, who subsequently withdrew her support on the grounds that all options, including an inner by-pass, should be left open. The amendment was then seconded by Cllr Harrison.

The Chairman read out a letter from Maldwin Drummond, Chairman of the New Forest Committee, which conveyed their decision that all options, including an inner bypass, should be left open until the non-by-pass measures had been implemented and evaluated.

Cllr Mrs Wyeth thanked her fellow members for recognising the problems experienced by Lyndhurst. She reported that neither the Parish Council nor the By-pass Committee supported the proposed amendment. She emphasised once again that the local community opposed an inner by-pass, and would rather have no by-pass at all than have the village divided by an inner route.

A number of members believed that future options for a by-pass would have to be judged on their merits and the proposed amendment was unduly restrictive. Other members noted that there were more environmentally acceptable methods of providing a by-pass, such as tunnelling or cut-and-cover, which should be encouraged.

In replying to the debate, Cllr Miss Cooke recalled that the relative weight given to environmental considerations varied with time, and in ten to fifteen years was likely to be accorded even greater importance. She did not believe a desire to protect the Forest in the future should be compromised by the views expressed currently.

Cllr G Dawson emphasised the need to act whenever possible to protect the Forest. The views of Lyndhurst residents must, however, be taken into account and he agreed that a carefully constructed outer route would be the best solution. He was appalled that no action had been taken to alleviate traffic congestion by non-by-pass measures and believed that this Council was largely responsible for the proposals now being brought forward for implementation as a matter of urgency.

With 23 members voting in favour and 26 against, the amendment was lost.

Cllr Mrs Wyeth moved that recommendation (c) be amended by the deletion of the words "with the necessary land safeguarded".

The amendment was seconded by Cllr Baker who reported the outcome of the survey of Lyndhurst residents undertaken by the Parish Council. He believed that the views of local residents should be supported, although the decision rested with this Council to set its own policies. He undertook to promote the views expressed in his role as a County Councillor.

A number of members expressed the view that a by-pass would prevent the environmental damage caused by traffic queues and motorists "rat running" through small rural communities. Members agreed with the view that the inner by-pass option should be rejected, in accordance with local opinion, but there was some

regret that the previous amendment, which had included environmental constraints, had been rejected. It was noted that the present traffic congestion was a deterrent to some car journeys in the Forest.

Other members believed that all options should be left open for future debate. Options such as tunnelling were available. Many people in Lyndhurst had not expressed a view, and those who had did not have an exclusive right to dictate the future of the Forest.

In replying to the debate, Cllr Mrs Wyeth re-emphasised the need for all outer by-pass options to be kept open. She believed the community in Lyndhurst did not wish to see a large scale by-pass, or be treated in isolation. After years of inactivity she hoped that there would now be some progress in relieving the traffic problems in Lyndhurst.

With the majority of members voting in favour the amendment was carried.

Cllr Greer referred to recommendation (a)(ii). He considered that any evaluation of the effect of the by-pass measures should also include the village of Brockenhurst.

Members debated the wording of this recommendation to reflect the needs of surrounding communities.

(d) Applications for Committee Decision (Minute 54)

Cllr Mrs Robinson disclosed an interest in respect of planning application 52284 and having left the meeting took no part in the consideration of this matter.

Cllr Burnett referred to the decision to authorise the Director of Planning to grant permission in respect of application 52284 for the change of use of the former Barclays Bank site, Rumbridge Street, Totton to an amusement centre. He believed that determination of this application should be deferred pending the investigation of a legal opinion he had heard at a recent conference which suggested that planning conditions could be used to impose an age restriction.

Cllr G Dawson advised members that the Director of Planning would seek further legal advice on this matter and, should it prove possible to impose an age restriction, the application would be brought back to the Planning Committee.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes be received and the recommendations be adopted subject to the amendment of Minute 48 to read:-

- (a)(ii) An evaluation of the effects of the measures on all relevant Forest settlements including Ashurst, and what steps might be taken to mitigate those effects.
- (c) That the County Council be advised that all options for an outer by-pass of Lyndhurst should be the subject of further discussion, but this Council strongly supports the view

expressed on behalf of Lyndhurst residents that an inner by-pass should not be considered.

31. ADJOURNMENT AND RESUMPTION OF MEETING.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.30 pm and resumed at 1.15 pm.

p Cllr Mrs J K Vernon-Jackson MBE JP - Chairman
p Cllr S S Wade - Vice-Chairman

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p Miss G M Rickus CBE
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p S A Shepherd
p A J Simmons
p Mrs B Smith
p Mrs L P Snashall
p G Spikins
p R G Vernon-Jackson
p G H Wales
p Mrs D Wilson
p Mrs P A Wyeth

Officers Attending:

P A D Hyde, N J Gibbs, D A Gurney, Mrs M Holmes, E S Johnson, I B Mackintosh, Miss J Debnam, and T R Simpson.

32. STRATEGIC GROWTH IN TOTTON ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

Cllr Shepherd presented the minutes of the meeting held on 8 June 1993.

On the motion that the minutes be received:-

RESOLVED:

That the minutes be received.

33. POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE.

Cllr Coles presented the minutes of the meetings held on 24 May and 7 July 1993.

On the motion that the minutes be received and the recommendations be adopted:-

(a) Regulation of the West Solent (Minute 12)

Cllr Rice supported this decision but considered that insufficient emphasis was being given to the protection and conservation of the marshlands adjoining this District's coastline, and drew attention to their status as an AONB and SSSI. Cllr Earwicker was concerned that the proposed extension of the Harbour Orders may interfere with the activities of local fishermen.

The Chairman advised members that it would be unwise to refer this matter back but she was satisfied that the views expressed would be taken into account.

Cllr Coles advised members that a holding objection had been lodged in respect of the Yarmouth proposals; and a further objection would be lodged to the ABP proposals when published. He confirmed that the Orders included the coastline up to the high water mark.

(b) Final Accounts (Minute 13)

Cllr Greer hoped that this Council would follow the example set by another Authority which had returned to their taxpayers funds which had been collected in excess of requirements.

(c) St Barbes, Lymington (Minute 18)

Cllr Rice disclosed a non-pecuniary interest in this matter.

Cllr Mrs Wilson believed the decision to ask the Leisure Services Committee to consider appropriating this building for a tourist information centre or museum was unduly restrictive. She believed that use of the building should be available to any voluntary organisation and not restricted to leisure uses. She referred to the previous decision by the Policy and Resources Committee to undertake a full survey of the demand for public use and believed that all options should be left open at this stage.

Cllr Mjr Beeton recalled that other voluntary organisations who had attended a meeting on the future of this building had expressed an interest. This view was supported by Cllr Scott, who reiterated his concern that this was an impulse purchase and there was still no proper, detailed business plan for the building. He believed that Leisure Services Committee was only committed to spending 10,000, as a pump priming exercise, with no long-term commitment. He disputed that there had been a decision to charge a nominal rent for use, and believed that there were more pressing priorities than the provision of another museum site.

Cllr Mrs Bannister hoped that the Policy and Resources Committee would provide equal support for the provision of a museum and tourist information centre in Totton.

Cllr Greer believed the Committee had been misled through being informed that no other bodies were interested in using this building.

Cllr Vernon-Jackson considered it essential that the building was brought into use as a matter of urgency. He reminded members that the decision merely asked the Leisure Services Committee to look at these options and to report back.

Cllr Coles confirmed this viewpoint and reassured members that if any other voluntary organisations came forward with firm proposals for using the building they would be included in the consideration.

(d) Recognition of UNISON (Minute 19)

Cllr Miss Cooke advised members that she had not disclosed an interest in this matter but had merely suggested that the union should be wished well for the future.

(e) Outside Bodies (Minute 22)

Cllr Burdle recalled previous discussion on this Council's representation on the Lymington Harbour Commission, when there had been concern that the representatives were not currently serving members. He also believed that there was a Standing Order requiring that District Council members should take precedence over other interested parties in filling appointments to outside bodies. In the light of this he opposed the decision to offer one of this Council's places to each of the Lymington and Pennington Town Council and Boldre Parish Council. He believed that if the Parish Councils wished to be represented, the Harbour Commissioners should be requested to amend their constitution to accommodate them. He moved that this matter be referred back for further consideration.

The amendment was seconded by Cllr Scott who believed that the appointments should have followed established procedures, and had consequently disadvantaged experienced members who represented coastal wards. He believed that members should have been fully consulted before this decision had been taken.

Cllr Mrs Errington also considered that the Harbour Commissioners should be requested to expand the constitution to include the parish councils.

Cllrs Pearce-Smith and Vernon-Jackson believed that it was sensible to include the parish councils as they were closely concerned and could offer additional expertise. These parish councils had aspired to be represented for a number of years.

Cllr Coles advised members that Standing Orders included no requirement that District councillors should take precedence in appointments to outside bodies. The constitution of the Harbour Commissioners was established by Act of Parliament and could not

be readily expanded. He recalled that both Lymington and Pennington Town Council and Boldre Parish Council had repeatedly requested representation on the Harbour Commissioners. He expressed his opposition to the proposed amendment.

With the majority of members voting against, the amendment was lost.

(f) New Forest (Minute 24)

In answer to a question from Cllr Rice, members were advised that the County Council had appointed County Cllr Mrs Ferguson as "Planning Verderer".

RESOLVED:

That the minutes be received and the recommendations be adopted.

34. NOTICE OF MOTION.

In accordance with Standing Order 7, Cllr Rice moved and Cllr Harrison seconded the following motion:

"This Council welcomes the action taken by the Home Office in response to the BUAV undercover investigation at Wickham Research Laboratories.

However, we believe that the investigation has exposed failings in the enforcement of the 1986 Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act.

We further believe that it would be unacceptable for the enforcement of the Act to be dependent on organisations, such as the BUAV, conducting undercover investigations.

We call on the Home Office to set up an independent review of the whole operation of the 1986 Act, which can only benefit the operation of the Act.

Any such inquiry should also examine why the Home Office inspectorate did not pick up the failings at Wickham."

In accordance with Standing Order 7(4) the motion stood referred to the Environmental Services Committee for debate.

35. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS.

RESOLVED:

That the Common Seal of the Council be affixed to any orders, deeds or documents necessary to give effect to any decision made at this meeting.

CHAIRMAN