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**Minutes of the Council Meeting  
of Lymington & Pennington Town Council  
held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Lymington  
on Wednesday 25 October 2023 at 6.00pm**

<b><u>PRESENT:</u></b>	<b>Councillors</b>	Jack Davies (Mayor) Colm McCarthy (Deputy Mayor) Thomas Brindley Barry Dunning Jacqui England Sara Frost Richard Gray Martina Humber Ted Jearrad Jerry King Ian Loveless Alan Penson Hannah Phillips
	<b>Officers</b>	Louise Young, CEO/Town Clerk Sue Finimore, Responsible Finance Office
	<b>Also Present</b>	14 Members of Public and press

**70. Apologies for Absence**

Received and approved from Cllr Morgan and Cllr Lewis.

**71. Declarations of Interest**

None

**72. Public Participation**

One member of the public spoke about enhancing Lymington Train Station.

One member of the public spoke regarding the Lymington Cycling Charter item on the agenda.

One member of the public spoke regarding the Neighbourhood Plan and High Street improvements.

The Mayor brought forward item 6 from the agenda due to public interest.

**73. Motion – Cllr Phillips**

**Resolved:** That Lymington and Pennington Town Council wholeheartedly support the Lymington Cycling Charter and the ‘tube map’ network and will work with its partners to make Lymington and Pennington a ‘cycle-friendly’ town.

Proposed by Cllr Phillips, seconded by Cllr Gray. 12 in favour, 1 abstention. Motion carried.

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**74. Minutes of Council Meeting held on 6 September 2023**

Cllr Penson requested it be noted that Minute 52 from Council minutes on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2023 is incorrect.

**Resolved:** That the minutes of the previous Council meeting held on 6 September 2023 be signed as a correct record.

Proposed by Cllr England, seconded by Cllr Dunning. Cllr Brindley requested a recorded vote.

11 in favour (Cllr Frost, Cllr Dunning, Cllr McCarthy, Cllr Gray, Cllr Humber, Cllr England, Cllr Brindley, Cllr King, Cllr Loveless, Cllr Jearrad, Cllr Penson

2 abstained Cllr Phillips and Cllr Davies

**75. 2022/23 Audit Report**

The RFO reported that the External Auditors, BDO LLP, had completed their work on the AGAR for the year ended 31.3.2023. The auditors had confirmed that 'no other matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met'.

**Resolved:** That Councillors note report

**76. To receive verbal reports from Town Councillors**

The Mayor reported he had attended a Jazz Evening at Lymington Community Centre and also the opening of the recently refurbished Tennis Club.

**77. To receive a verbal report from the District Councillors**

Cllr England reported that she had met with Nick Adam-King from HCC on 25<sup>th</sup> September to discuss local road issues. Cllr England also met Mr Windridge regarding the Bottom of town Campaign Group and suggested he contacted the Town Clerk for further discussion.

Cllr England has emailed the portfolio holder reference the Lymington Swimming Club losing their historic right to use the pool at Lymington Recreational Centre on Saturday evenings.

Finally, Cllr England had attended 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at the Community Centre and had also attended the Audit Committee at NFDC.

**78. To receive a verbal report from the County Councillor**

Cllr Dunning reported that he is investigating further the concerns at Avenue Road school, Hampshire County Council are trying to recruit a new school crossing patrol and he is pressing for an addition of a zebra crossing.

**79. Forthcoming Meetings**

15 November 2023, 6pm Planning

27 November 2023, 6pm Amenities

5 December 2023, 10.30am Policy and Resources

**80. Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Council will be held at 18:00pm on 13 December 2023.

Meeting concluded at 19.05

**Date: ..... Chairperson's Signature: .....**

