

Ringwood Town Council

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PLANNING, TOWN & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Dear Member

24th July 2025

A meeting of the above Committee will be held on **Friday 1st August 2025** at 10.00am in the Forest Suite, Ringwood Gateway and your attendance is requested.



Mr C Wilkins
Town Clerk

AGENDA

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There will be an opportunity for public participation for a period of up to 15 minutes at the start of the meeting

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 4th July 2025

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

To consider applications and to note applications determined under delegated powers
(*Report A*)

6. RINGWOOD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (RNP)

To receive a verbal update following a meeting with NFDC officers on 29th July 2025

7. STRATEGIC SITES

To receive updates in relation to strategic sites:-

- i) Land off Crow Lane / Crow Arch Lane (Beaumont Park)
- ii) Land north of Hightown Road (21/11042)
- iii) Land off Moortown Lane (21/11723 and 23/10707)
- iv) 2 Market Place and Meeting House Lane (24/11105)
- v) Snails Lane (25/10114)

8. THRIVING MARKET PLACE

To receive a verbal update following a meeting of the Working Group on 24 July 2025

9. SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE PROJECT

To consider supporting a joint project with Ellingham, Harbridge & Ibsley Parish Council and submitting a bid to NFDC for CIL funds (*Report B*)

10. REVIEW OF SPEED LIMITS AND ROAD SAFETY MEASURES IN KINGSTON (B3347)

To consider supporting request from a resident (*Report C*)

11. APPEAL – 79 EASTFIELD ROAD – ERECTION OF 2 PROPERTIES (24/10536)

To note an appeal has been submitted to the Planning Inspectorate and consider whether to submit further comments (*Report D*)

12. PROJECTS (current and proposed)

To consider the officers' report (*Report E*), receive any verbal updates and agree next steps where necessary

13. NFDC/NFNPA PLANNING COMMITTEE

To review, if any, applications that are due before NFDC/NFNPA Planning Committees

14. COMMUNICATIONS

Members to decide on items requiring publicity and to confirm a spokesperson if required.

If you would like further information on any of the agenda items, please contact Jo Hurd, Deputy Town Clerk, on (01425) 484721 or email jo.hurd@ringwood.gov.uk.

Committee Members

Cllr Philip Day (Chairman)
Cllr Luke Dadford (Vice Chairman)
Cllr Mary DeBoos
Cllr Rae Frederick (ex-officio)
Cllr Janet Georgiou
Cllr Peter Kelleher
Cllr James Swyer
Cllr Glenys Turner

Officers

Jo Hurd, Deputy Town Clerk
Nicola Vodden, Office Manager

Permission (1)	Recommend Permission, but would accept planning officer's decision
Refusal (2)	Recommend Refusal, but would accept planning officer's decision
Permission (3)	Recommend Permission
Refusal (4)	Recommend Refusal
Officer Decision (5)	Will accept planning officer's decision

Number	Name	Address	Proposal	Dead line	<u>Recommendation</u> Permission (1) Recommend Permission, but would accept planning officer's decision Refusal (2) Recommend Refusal, but would accept planning officer's decision (plus reasons) Permission (3) Recommend Permission Refusal (4) Recommend Refusal (plus reasons) Officer Decision (5) Will accept planning officer's decision
25/00716F ULL	Mitchell	Holly Tree Cottage, Crow Hill, Crow, Ringwood. BH24 3DH	Single storey extension; outbuilding; external alterations (demolition of conservatory) view online here	20.8	
25/10360	Mrs Herrity	3A Top Lane, Ringwood. BH24 1LF	First floor rear extension view online here	15.8	
25/10571	Mr. Neil	142 Hightown Road, Ringwood. BH24 1NP	Side extension to existing dwelling view online here	25.7 extn to 1.8	
25/10582	Mr Jourdan	Poulner Farm House, 5 Butlers Lane, Poulner, Ringwood BH24 1UB	Single-storey rear extension incorporating a glazed link with the farmhouse, new porch, demolition of existing rear extension,; detached outbuilding view online here	22.7 extn to 1.8	
25/10607	Wareham - - Surereed Ltd	25 Market Place, Ringwood. BH24 1AN	Variation of condition 2 of application 20/10129 to allow removal of car port on eastern boundary view online here	25.7 extn to 1.8	
25/10629	Mrs. Lawson	9 Hurst Road, Ringwood. BH24 1AX	Single-storey rear extension, removal of existing conservatory and canopy; cladding to the external walls at first floor level and above to front and side elevations; fit bargeboards to the gable end of the main roof and extend roof tiles over view online here	1.8	
25/10663	Burton	7 Broadshard Lane, Ringwood. BH24 1RW	2 no. Single-storey side extensions; single storey rear extension and two-storey rear extension; roof lights; part demolition of existing rear extension. view online here	15.8	

25/10667	Mr Steele	74 Eastfield Lane, Ringwood. BH24 1UR	Raise eaves of rear element to match main dwelling, associated roof alterations, update windows and doors, remove conservatory and both chimneys view online here	15.8	
25/10681	Mr & Mrs Callow	Brook Cottage, Crow Lane, Crow, Ringwood. BH24 3EA	Retention of both a detached outbuilding being used as ancillary accommodation and a detached garage/ carport (Lawful Use Certificate for retaining an existing use or operation) view online here	22.8	
NFE020 – HCC/2025/0428	Hampshire County Council - Children's Services	Poulner Infant School, North Poulner Road, Ringwood. BH24 3LA	Removal of Condition 5 (Electronic Vehicle (EV) charging point) of Planning Permission 21/11426 (HCC ref HCC/2025/0428) view online here	14.8	
CONS/25/0352	Mr Bomphrey	5 College Road, Ringwood. BH24 1NU	Silver Birch x 1 Reduce - removal of overhanging branches to a height of 18 feet view online here	28.5	
CONS/25/0368	Mrs Brown	King Edgar Lodge, 65 Christchurch Road, Ringwood. BH24 1DH	Sycamore – Fell view online here	18.8	
					<u>Applications considered under delegated powers:-</u>
24/01362F ULL		Christmas Tree Farm, Hangersley Hill, Hangersley, Ringwood, Bh24 3JR	Replacement dwelling; outdoor pool; garage; outbuilding; demolition of existing dwelling (ADDITIONAL INFORMATION)		<u>4.7.25 No comment</u>
TPO/25/0332		The Paddock, 207 Christchurch Road, Ringwood, BH24 3AN	Conifer x 1 Reduce		<u>P(1) Recommend permission, but would accept the Tree Officer's decision.</u>

PLANNING, TOWN & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
1 August 2025

Speed Indicator Device Project

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Chairman of Ellingham, Harbridge and Ibsley (EH&I) Parish Council (also a Town Councillor) is proposing a joint project to provide a number of Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) that can be used in both parishes.
- 1.2 Neither council has funds available to cover the purchase cost, and it is recommended that, if supported, a bid is submitted to NFDC for Community Infrastructure (CIL) funds.

2. Project Information

- 2.1 Full details of the project are in the attached briefing note, which has been considered and approved by EH&I Parish Council. Further information on the proposed SIDs can be viewed on this website: <https://www.elancity.co.uk/>
- 2.2 It is suggested that the Town Council prepare and submit the bid to NFDC, and, if successful, would take ownership of the SIDs and be responsible for the initial set up, ongoing programming and mounting/dismounting the devices.

3 Issues for decision and any recommendation

- 3.1 Members are asked to consider whether or not to support the SID project and, if supported, agree to the submission of a bid to NFDC for CIL funds.

For further information, contact

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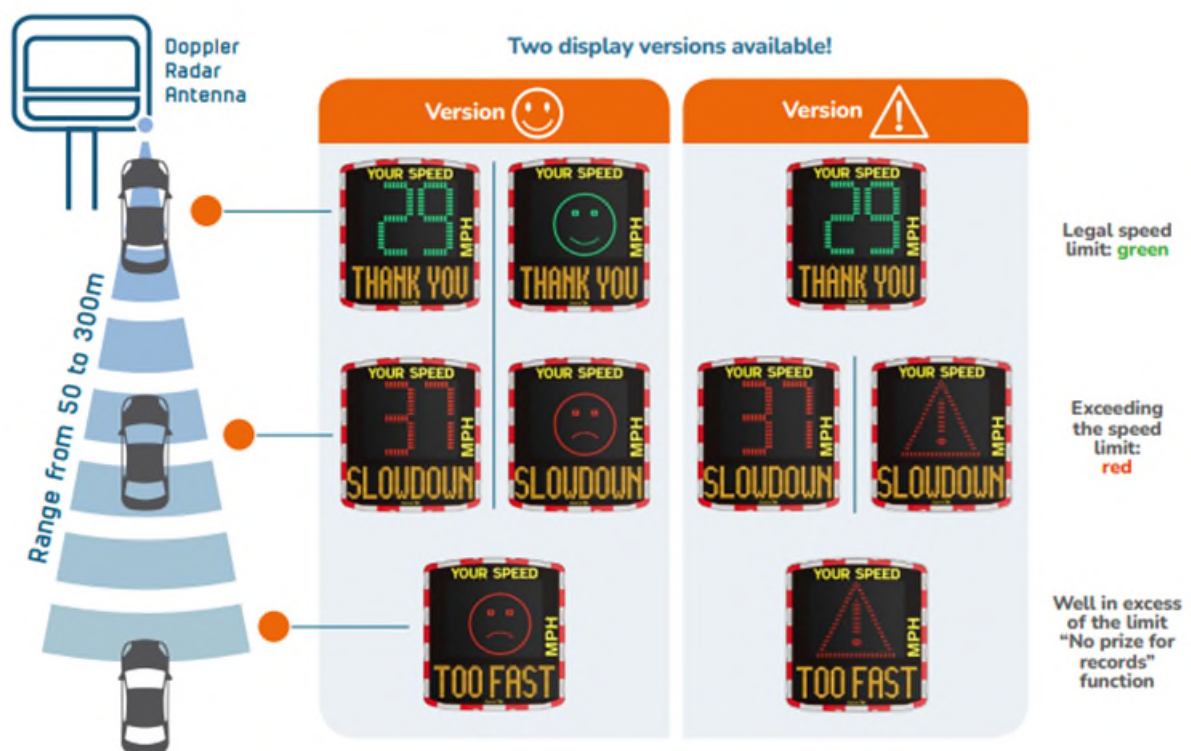
Speed Indicator Device Project

Summary

A joint project between Ringwood Town Council and Ellingham, Harbridge and Ibsley Parish Council to provide a number of Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) that can be utilised to reduce and monitor speed on roads in the two parishes.

Outline

A number of SIDs compliant with the relevant standards will be procured (Elan City Vision devices shown, as used by a number of local parishes (e.g. Breamore, Downton...))



Twelve initial sites will be chosen in the two parishes, with the SIDs being moved every two months. The devices are recommended to be moved regularly because it has been observed that the effectiveness of SID devices reduces over time as drivers become used to their presence. Sites will be initially chosen utilising existing street furniture. All sites have to be approved by Hampshire County Council and Enerveo in the case of streetlights. There is the ability to install dedicated sockets and poles for the devices, but this comes at significant extra cost and therefore is ruled out in the initial project.

The manufacturer states that installation requires only “DIY skills” but work on a highway requires that certain precautions are put in place, and in any case the installation teams (to be drawn from Ringwood Town Council staff) will need to do one-time preparation work to ensure Health and Safety during mounting and dismounting of a device.

The devices are powered by two lead acid batteries and a solar panel, so a charger will be procured.

Configuration is done at the devices themselves from an App on a smartphone via Bluetooth. Data is sent back in real time to an online system which the councils can interrogate via the internet.

Guideline prices ex-VAT

Indicator Devices x 2	£ 5,000
“Connect” package (over-the-air 4G data transfer) x 2	£ 925.50
Mounting brackets x 10	£ 300
HCC site approval fee (one-off)	£ 300
Battery charger	£ 25
TOTAL FOR BID	£ 6,550.50

Contributions from each council

Ringwood

- Prime council for bid, owner of equipment bought with NFDC funds
- Initial setup labour (planning work, HCC / Eneveo licensing, internal planning work)
- Ongoing annual planning work
- Mounting and dismounting according to plan

Ellingham, Harbridge and Ibsley

- Cost of any dedicated posts if required in EHI (assumed to be much more likely in EHI).
- Consider buying an additional SID device for the pool once operating experience has been gained.

Ellingham, Harbridge and Ibsley Parish Council is asked to approve in principle that this joint project goes forward to the CIL bid, subject to Ringwood Town Council approval for the same. There is no cost to the council at this stage.

Request for Review of Speed Limits and Road Safety Measures in Kingston (B3347)

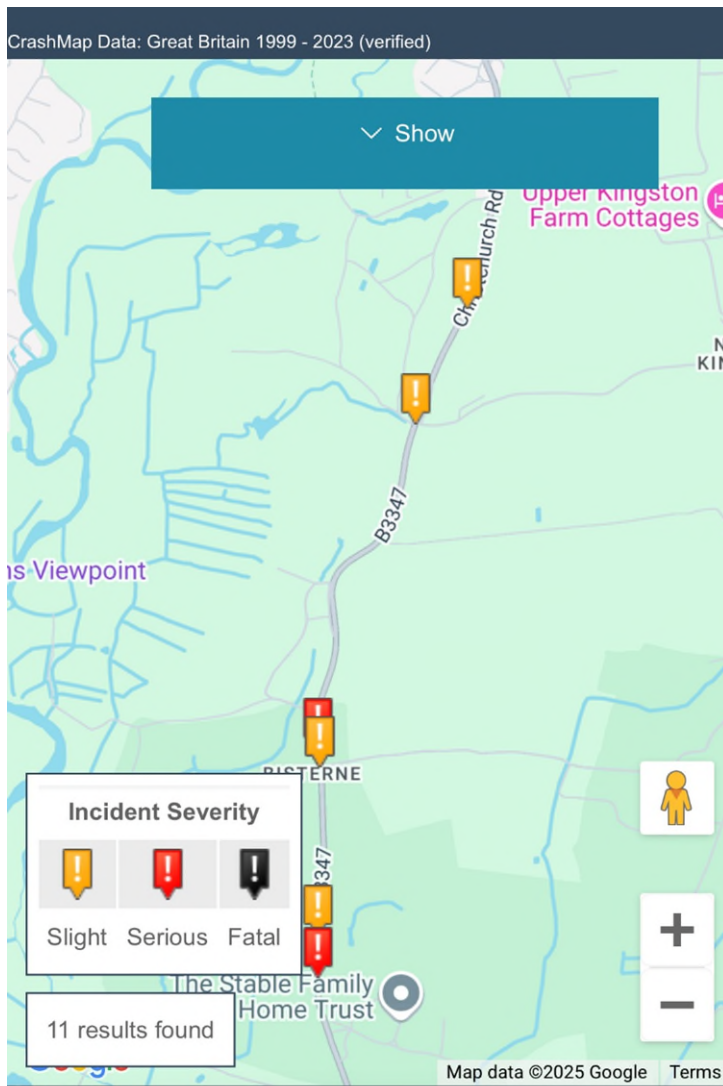
I am writing as a concerned resident of Kingston, living on the Christchurch Road (B3347), which is in your Ringwood South ward. My family and I have lived at our property on the edge of Ringwood and the New Forest for over five years, and while we feel very fortunate to enjoy the beauty and community of the area, we are increasingly concerned about the safety implications of living alongside such a busy and fast-moving road.

When purchasing our home, I had initial reservations due to the proximity of the B3347. However, these were outweighed by the opportunity to raise our family in a beautiful location with good local schools. Since moving in, we have taken multiple steps to protect our children from the road—installing secure gates on our drive and between the drive and front garden. Nonetheless, the road continues to pose a daily risk.

Our property lies just outside the 40-mph zone to the north of Ringwood and marks the end of the pedestrian pavement. We live adjacent to gentle bend, and while visibility is reasonable in one direction, in the other we have approximately less than 200 metres (when the verges have been cut): the time available to safely exit our driveway is minimal. At the legal speed of 50 mph, oncoming vehicles take roughly four seconds to reach us once they become visible; at 60 mph—an all-too-common speed along this stretch—this window shrinks to just 3.3 seconds. This is common throughout Kingston, and it places significant pressure on drivers exiting their properties, often resulting in stressful and hazardous encounters with fast-moving traffic.

The events of Monday, 9th February 2025 have compelled me to act. On that day, my wife and youngest daughter were involved in a multi-vehicle collision while returning from the school run. As is necessary to access our property, my wife indicated to turn right across oncoming traffic—this being the direction with the most limited visibility. She and the car behind were waiting safely to turn when a van, accelerating into the 50-mph zone, collided with the vehicle behind her without braking. Thankfully, no one was seriously injured, but both vehicles were written off, and our neighbour—one of the other occupants—continues to suffer long-term effects from the incident.

This is not an isolated event. Over the past few years, many Kingston residents, including horse owners, delivery drivers, and families, have shared accounts of near-misses and collisions. With multiple concealed driveways, poor visibility, numerous junctions, and a growing number of vulnerable road users (numerous cyclists, dog walkers, schoolchildren, churchgoers and walkers who use the Avon Valley path are required to use the verge alongside the road), the current 50 mph speed limit is increasingly inappropriate for the context and density of activity in our village.



Crash map data showing 11 incidents reported to the police between 1999-2023

We believe that Kingston deserves the same level of protection and consideration afforded to other nearby areas with comparable housing density and road characteristics. For example, the A338 between Ringwood and Blashford operates at 40 mph, despite having similar visibility and access concerns. It is not clear why Kingston should be treated differently, especially when the risk to life is demonstrably high.

Considering the above, I am writing to formally request support from local town and New Forest councillors to help address the speed limit and road safety throughout Kingston:

A review of the current speed limit through Kingston, with a view to reducing it to 40 mph or lower in line with neighbouring areas.

1. Immediate implementation of traffic calming or enforcement measures, such as mobile speed cameras, particularly given the absence of any such controls despite their frequent use in nearby Moortown (within the Ringwood 30 mph zone). Which, according to the NALC, parish, town, and local council can work closely with principal authorities (Hampshire Council) and local police to enforce speed limits and support community speed watch programmes.

2. A broader consultation with residents to identify other safety measures that could help protect our community, including improved signage, driveway mirrors, or pedestrian infrastructure.

Several of us in the village would be very grateful for the opportunity to discuss these concerns further and work collaboratively towards practical, effective solutions that prioritise the safety of residents over the speed and convenience of through traffic.

Thank you for your time and attention. I look forward to your response and support in addressing our concerns.

Kind regards,

(Name and address removed; the resident will attend the Committee meeting)

On behalf of the Residents of Kingston

<https://www.itv.com/news/meridian/2022-08-10/two-dogs-die-following-crash-involving-motorbike>

<https://www.bournemouthecho.co.uk/news/19954821.car-ended-ditch-single-vehicle-crash/>

Appeal received on 24/10536



planning.appeals@nfdc.gov.uk
To Nicola Vodden; Jo Hurd



Wed 10:41

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An appeal has been submitted to the Planning Inspectorate in respect of the application detailed below. The appeal will be considered by means of Written Representations.

Application No: 24/10536

Planning Inspectorate Reference: APP/B1740/W/25/3369359

Site: 79 EASTFIELD LANE, RINGWOOD BH24 1UN

Description: Erection of two properties with access and parking

Reason(s) for refusal: The proposal represents an unsympathetic and contextually inappropriate form of backland development by reason of its intrusion into a large area of green land designated as tranquil green space. The subdivision of this area to provide two additional single-storey dwellings would result in an incongruous, discordant and unsympathetic form of development, harmful to the character and appearance of this green rural margin and as such would be contrary to Policy ENV3 of the Local Plan Part 1 for the New Forest outside of the National Park, The Ringwood Neighbourhood Plan and Chapter 7 of the Ringwood Local Distinctiveness SPD.

The recreational and air quality impacts of the proposed development on the New Forest Special Area of Conservation, the New Forest Special Protection Area, and the New Forest Ramsar site, would not be adequately mitigated and the proposed development would therefore be likely to unacceptably increase recreational pressures and air quality impacts on these sensitive European nature conservation sites, contrary to Policy ENV1 of the Local Plan 2016-2036 Part One: Planning Strategy and the Council's Supplementary Planning Document 'Mitigation for Recreational Impacts on New Forest European Sites'.

To view the grounds of appeal please refer to the "Appeal Form" document attached to the case on our website:

http://planning.newforest.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal= NEWFO_DCAPR_221683

The Planning Inspectorate have an online appeals service which you can use to comment on this appeal at <https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk>, these must be made by 27/08/2025.

If you prefer to write in, please write quoting the appeal reference to the Planning Inspectorate, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN to arrive no later than 27/08/2025.

The Planning Inspectorate do not accept comments by e-mail.

Representations received after the deadline will not be accepted. The Planning Inspectorate will send copies of your letter to the Council and to the appellant.

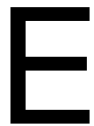
When made, the decision will be published online at <https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk>

RTC's Planning Committee considered application 24/10536 at its meeting on 2nd August 2024 and recommended Refusal(4) The Committee made reference to the previous reasons for refusal of application 22/11193 and indicated that all issues had not been addressed. In addition, the application is contrary to the Ringwood Local Distinctiveness Plan SPD as it would erode the character of the area which is signified as a long row of properties with long gardens, with the gaps between properties also being an important feature.

NOTE 3.4.25 A request from NFDC's Planning Officer was received asking for confirmation that RTC was content for a delegated officer refusal of the application for the reasons detailed in the above appeal notice.

Having referred the matter to the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Committee, under their delegated powers, on 4.4.25, the Planning Officer was informed that RTC was content with the reasons given for refusal of the application and for them to proceed accordingly.

Current Projects Update



No.	Name	Status	Recent developments	Description and notes	Lead Officer/Member	Financing	
Full Council							
No live projects							
Planning Town & Environment Committee							
PTE3	Crow Stream Maintenance	Annual recurrent	Spraying of stream banks carried out June 2025 and annual flail in August 2025, followed by annual stream clearance by volunteers. Working with various agencies and local landowners on developing wider project on holding back flood water and increasing outflow.	Annual maintenance of Crow Ditch and Stream in order to keep it flowing and alleviate flooding	Deputy Town Clerk	Budget of £1,000 funded by transfer from earmarked reserve.	
PTE6	Shared Space Concept - Thriving Market Place	In progress	Working with NFDC and HCC to move the project forward. Consultation with stakeholders to be arranged, prior to wider public consultation.	Concept for town centre shared space identified through work on the Neighbourhood Plan. Working in partnership with NFDC and HCC.	Deputy Town Clerk	HCC funded survey work. £10,000 grant from UKSPF (via NFDC). NFDC Cabinet agreed on 02/10/2024 to allocate a share of £4.5 million CIL funds to the scheme.	
	Greening Ringwood	In progress	Official launch of Phase 2 held on 20/04/2024 in Gateway Square. Update on activities presented to Committee in September 2024.	Greening Campaign Phase 2 to run from Sept 2023 to July 2024, focussing on making space for nature; energy efficient greener homes; climate impacts on health and wellbeing; waste prevention; and cycle of the seed.		£50 signing up fee funded from General Reserve.	
	Bus Shelters	In progress	Action Plan prepared. Awaiting response from HCC about possible funding before proceeding further. New bench installed beside shelter in Salisbury Road (A338 northbound)and Southampton Road shelter repaired.	Review of Council owned bus shelters.		£1081 allocated from RTC CIL funds.	
Projects being delivered by others which are monitored by the Deputy Clerk and reported to this committee:							
	Crow Lane Footpath	In progress	Developers' contributions paid to HCC to implement. Additional funds required to progress and approved by NFDC Cabinet on 02/11/2022. HCC working on design, with expected delivery in summer 2025.	New footpath to link Beaumont Park with Hightown Road, alongside west of Crow Lane	Hampshire CC	Developers contributions	
	Memorial Bench for Michael Lingam-Willgoss	In progress	Consent to install bench has been granted by HCC. Legal fees covered by County Cllr Thierry. Date for installation yet to be agreed.	Provision of memorial bench in Market Place in memory of Michael Lingam-Willgoss.	Ringwood Carnival / Ringwood Rotary	No financial implications.	
Policy & Finance Committee							
PF5	Poulner Lakes Lease	On hold		Negotiating a lease from Ringwood & District Anglers' Association of the part of the site not owned by the Council	Town Clerk	Some provision for legal advice or assistance may be needed eventually.	
Recreation, Leisure & Open Spaces Committee							
RLOS4	Grounds department sheds replacement	In progress (Commenced design work in April 2021.)	The planning application has been submitted and registered.	A feasibility study into replacing the grounds maintenance team's temporary, dispersed & sub-standard workshop, garaging and storage facilities. Combined with a possible new car park for use by hirers of and visitors to the club-house.	Town Clerk	Revised capital budget of £4,000 (originally £10,000 until virement to RLOS19)	
RLOS5	Cemetery development	Cancelled January 2024	The proposed columbarium/memorial wall was scrapped following the cemetery base budget review. The panel appointed to consider alternative developments met on 4th June.	Planning best use of remaining space, provision for cremated remains, etc.	Town Clerk	Capital costs will be met from a combination of earmarked reserves.	
RLOS10	Waste bin replacement programme	In progress (Commenced April 2020)	Future needs are being assessed.	Three-year programme to replace worn-out litter and dog-waste bins	Grounds Manager	Budget of £2,000 a year.	

RLOS21	Poulner Lakes track maintenance	In progress (under discussion since Jan. 2021)	NFDC has developed a concept design of an improved access on the basis that RTC will fund essential maintenance/improvements to the vehicular access element and NFDC will fund the rest. Solicitors are preparing the documents required to resolve the boundary discrepancies.	Devising a sustainable regime for maintaining the access tracks at Poulner Lakes to a more acceptable standard.	Town Clerk	Yet to be settled
RLOS26	Carvers Development Phase 1	Commenced Sept. 2024	The MUGA and timber trail have been installed and a series of informal opening events is in hand.	Replacing two tennis courts with a multi-use games area, creating a timber log walk with benches and boulders and pollinator planting.	Town Clerk	£73,000 for the main elements. Supported by a £68,072 grant (90% from Veolia Environmental Trust and 10% from RTC's CIL reserve)
RLOS29	Additional gate at North Poulner Play Area	Commenced May 2025	External funding fully covering the cost received and order placed.	Installation of a pedestrian gate at the one entrance (of three) presently without one	Town Clerk	£425. Application made to Cllr Thierry for funding from one of the discretionary funds available to him as a district and county cllr.

Staffing Committee

None

Proposed/Emerging Projects Update

No.	Name	Description	Lead	Recent developments	Progress / Status Stage reached	Estimated cost	Funding sources	
Full Council								
	None							
Planning Town & Environment Committee								
	Roundabout under A31	Planting and other environmental enhancements		Area being used by National Highways for storage of materials during works to widen the A31.	Floated as possible future project			
	Lynes Lane re-paving	Ringwood Society proposal			Floated as possible future project			
	Rear of Southampton Road	Proposal by Ringwood Society to improve appearance from The Furlong Car Park and approaches			Floated as possible future project			
	Dewey's Lane wall	Repair of historic wall		Re-build/repair options and costs are being investigated	Shelved as a TC project			
	Signage Review	Review of signs requiring attention - e.g. Castleman Trailway, Pocket Park, Gateway Square	Cllr Day		Floated as possible future project			
	Crow ditch	Investigate works required to improve capacity and flow of ditch alongside Crow Lane, between Hightown Road and Moortown Lane					Developers contributions	
Policy & Finance Committee								
	Cyber Essentials	Reviewing our IT equipment, software, policies and operations with a view to acquiring Cyber Essentials qualification	Town Clerk	Discussed at committee on 21st May	Initial research commenced	Unknown	To be decided	
Recreation, Leisure & Open Spaces Committee								
	Silver Jubilee Garden benches replacement	Replacing all benches at the Silver Jubilee Garden with more attractive (but floodwater-resistant models)	None	Routine maintenance of existing benches	Need identified. Awaiting funding.	Unknown	To be decided	
	Silver Jubilee Garden bridge re-painting	Re-painting the footbridge leading to the Garden.	Town Clerk	Clarification of responsibility requested from HCC	Need identified and quote obtained but legal responsibility remains to be clarified.	c. £5,000	To be decided	
	War Memorial Garden benches replacement	Replacing the wooden benches with commemorative steel models of the same kind as those recently installed	Town Clerk	None	Need identified. Awaiting funding.	c. £4,000	To be decided	
	Bickerley tree-planting	Planting a row of trees alongside the through path	None	None	Need identified. Awaiting funding.	Unknown	To be decided	
Staffing Committee								
	None							

Closed Projects Report

No.	Name	Description	Outcome	Notes
Full Council				
FC1	Long Lane Football Facilities Development	A joint venture with Ringwood Town Football Club and AFC Bournemouth Community Sports Trust to improve the football facilities for shared use by them and the community.	New builds completed in September 2024	
FC2	Strategic Plan	Exploring ideas for medium term planning. Aim to have complete for start of budget-planning in Autumn 2022.	Completed in October 2022	
Planning, Town & Environment Committee				
PTE4	Pedestrian Crossings - Christchurch Road	Informal pedestrian crossings to the north and south of roundabout at junction of Christchurch Road with Wellworthy Way (Lidl)	Completed by HCC	
	Cycleway signage and improvements	New signage and minor improvements to cycleway between Forest Gate Business Park and Hightown Road	Completed by HCC	
	Carvers footpath/cycle-way improvement	Creation of shared use path across Carvers between Southampton Road and Mansfield Road	Completed by HCC	
	Replacement Tree - Market Place	New Field Maple tree to replace tree stump in Market Place.	Completed in January 2022 by HCC	
	Climate Emergency	Funds used to support Greening Campaign, community litter-pick and Flood Action Plan leaflets.	Completed March 2023	
	A31 widening scheme	Widening of A31 westbound carriageway between Ringwood and Verwood off slip to improve traffic flow; associated town centre improvements utilising HE Designated Funds	Scheme completed by National Highways and road re-opened in November 2022.	
	SWW Water Main Diversion (associated with A31 widening scheme)	Diversion of water main that runs along the A31 westbound carriageway. Diversion route included land in RTC's ownership at The Bickerley.	Scheme completed by SWW in 2022.	
	Surfacing of Castleman Trailway	Dedication and surfacing of bridleway between old railway bridge eastwards to join existing surfacing.	Surfacing works completed by HCC early April 2022.	
	Bus Shelter Agreement	Request by ClearChannel in Nov. 2020 for RTC to licence the bus shelters in Meeting House Lane and the advertising on them. Despite various communications, we have had no contact for over a year and therefore regard the original request to be defunct.	Request not followed up by ClearChannel, therefore defunct and removed from project list October 2023.	
	Human Sundial	Work to refurbish human sundial and install surrounding benches complete. Time capsule cover stone replaced on 21/07/2023. Interpretation board with details of sundial, Jubilee Lamp etc. to be considered as part of Thriving Market Place project.	Completed.	
PTE2	Neighbourhood Plan	The Ringwood Neighbourhood Plan was adopted (made) by NFDC and NFNPA in July 2024 (83% of residents voted "yes" in the Referendum on 04/07/2024) and is now part of the Development Plan for both authorities and must be taken into consideration in the determination of planning applications.	Completed, but will be monitored and reviewed.	
PTE1	Railway Corner	Ringwood Society project to improve and promote historical significance of triangle of land at junction of Hightown Road and Castleman Way.	Completed 2024.	
Policy & Finance Committee				
PF1	New Council website	Arranging a new website that is more responsive, directly editable by Council staff and compliant with accessibility regulations.	Completed	
PF2	Greenways planning permission	Consideration of applying to renew planning permission for bungalow in garden previously obtained	Decided not to renew	
PF3	Detached youth outreach work	To provide youth workers for trial of detached outreach work	Transferred to Recreation Leisure & Open Spaces Committee (see RLOS20)	
PF4	Review of governance documents	A major overhaul of standing orders, financial regulations, committee terms of reference, delegated powers, etc. Routine periodic reviews will follow completion of this work.	Completed in July 2022	All governance documents will now receive routine annual reviews.
PF6	Health & Safety Management Support Re-procurement	Re-procuring specialist advice and support for discharge of health and safety duties	Completed in February 2023	
PF7	Financial Procedures Manual	Preparation of a new manual for budget managers and other staff detailing financial roles, responsibilities and procedures	Completed in September 2022	Will be updated by Finance Manager as necessary
PF8	Bickerley Legal Title	An application to remove land from the Council's title was made	Completed in October 2023	Application successfully resisted

PF9	Greenways office leases	The tenant of the first floor suite gave notice and left. The building was re-let as a whole to the tenant of the ground floor suite.	Completed in November 2022
PF10	Councillors' Email Accounts	Providing councillors with official email accounts (and devices, if required) to facilitate compliance with data protection laws.	Completed in August 2023
PF11	92 Southampton Road	Reviewing the letting of this council-owned house	Refurbishment and relet completed in July 2025
PF12	Base budget review	A review by members and officers of the council's base (revenue) budget, probably focused on a few types of expenditure or areas of activity, to identify possible options for change and/or savings.	Completed in January 2025

Recreation, Leisure & Open Spaces Committee

RLOS1	War Memorial Repair	Repair by conservation specialists with Listed Building Consent with a re-dedication ceremony after.	Completed in 2021-22	
RLOS2	Bickerley Tracks Repair	Enhanced repair of tracks to address erosion and potholes (resurfacing is ruled out by town green status) and measures to control parking.	Fresh gravel laid in 2021-22.	No structural change is feasible at present.
RLOS3	Public open spaces security	Review of public open spaces managed by the Council and implementation of measures to protect the highest priority sites from unauthorised encampments and incursions by vehicles	Completed in 2021-22	
RLOS6	Community Allotment	Special arrangement needed for community growing area at Southampton Road	Ongoing processes adapted	Agreed to adopt as informal joint venture with the tenants' association
RLOS7	Bowling Club lease	Renewal of lease that expired in April 2023.	Completed in July 2023	New lease granted for 14 years.
RLOS8	Ringwood Youth Club	Dissolution of redundant Charitable Incorporated Organisation	Completed in July 2023	Charity removed from Register of Charities
RLOS9	Aerator Repair	Major overhaul to extend life of this much-used attachment	Completed in 2021-22	
RLOS11	Ash Grove fence repair	Replacing the worn-out fence around the play area	Completed in 2021-22	
RLOS12	Van replacement	Replacing the grounds department diesel van with an electric vehicle	Suspended in 2023	Van will be replaced in accordance with Vehicle & Machinery replacement plan
RLOS13	Bickerley compensation claim	Statutory compensation claim for access and damage caused by drainage works	Completed March 2022	Settlement achieved with professional advice
RLOS14	Poulner Lakes waste licence	Arranging to surrender our redundant waste licence to avoid annual renewal fees	Completed July 2025	
RLOS15	Acorn bench at Friday's Cross	Arranging the re-painting of this bespoke art-work	Completed in 2021-22	Labour kindly supplied by Men's Shed
RLOS16	Town Safe	Possible re-paint of this important survival, part of a listed structure	Suspended indefinitely in September 2022	Complexity and cost judged disproportionate to benefit
RLOS17	Crow Arch Lane Allotments Site	The transfer to this Council (pursuant to a s.106 agreement) of a site for new allotments off Crow Arch Lane	Completed in November 2023	
RLOS18	Cemetery Records Upgrade	Creation of interactive digital cemetery map and scanning of cemetery registers as first stage in digitizing all cemetery records to facilitate remote working, greater efficiency and improved public accessibility.	Completed in 2021	Cost £5,467. Further upgrades are needed to digitize the records fully
RLOS19	Carvers Masterplan	Devising a strategic vision and plan for the future of Carvers Recreation Ground pulling together proposals for additional play equipment and other features	Completed in 2024 but subject to implementation and review	Completed within the £6,000 budget.
RLOS20	Detached youth outreach work	Trialling the provision of detached outreach work by specialist youth workers.	Completed in May 2022	
RLOS22	Bickerley parking problem	Unauthorised parking on the tracks crossing the Bickerley is causing damage and obstruction	Closed off in September 2023	Additional signage has been installed. An estimate of £5,510 to move the "dragon's teeth" was judged disproportionate to the problem.
RLOS23	North Poulner Play Area skate ramp request	A local resident requested provision of a 'quarter-pipe ramp' at this site and has been fund-raising for it	The official opening of the new facility was held on 29 May 2025.	
RLOS24	Poulner Lakes circular path	HCC has funded the creation of a circular path for pedestrians and cyclists to improve accessibility and so encourage greater use	Completed in May 2024	RTC is now responsible for maintenance
RLOS25	Open Spaces Management Review	A strategic priority project to review the council's management of all its public open and green spaces	Completed in June 2025	RTC now has plans for all major sites
RLOS27	Carvers Clubhouse Solar Panels	Installing photo-voltaic panels on the Clubhouse roof to achieve a long-term saving in energy costs.	Completed in May 2025	Energy savings being recorded
RLOS28	Skate Park Picnic Tables	Replacing the two large picnic tables beside the skate park at Carvers which are beyond further repair	Completed in Spring 2025	Third picnic table added near tennis courts. Part funded by Ringwood Carnival.

Staffing Committee

S1	HR support contract renewal	Renewal of contract for the supply to the Council of specialist human resources law and management support	Completed in 2021-22
S2	Finance Staffing Review	Reassessing staffing requirements and capacity for finance functions and re-negotiating staff terms	Completed in 2021-22