



New Milton Rotary

District 1110

Media Release

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The New Milton Rotary Club is closing

We regret to announce that New Milton Rotary Club which has been supporting the needs in our community and overseas for 79 years (since 1939), will dissolve on the 31st December 2018.

We are closing because we have been unable to recruit new members to replace those that have retired from the Rotary Club for a variety of reasons. Our level of membership numbers is such that we cannot sustain our valuable and effective activities. We have made this difficult decision after struggling to continue our charitable work within local and international communities for the recent 3 years.

President of New Milton Rotary Club, Mary Pye commented” It is with great sadness that, facing an uncertain future, we have decided to cease as a Rotary Club in New Milton. During the last few years alone, we have raised approximately £50k and have been able to distribute these funds to a wide range of deserving causes and projects. New Milton Rotary Club has a long standing history of organising events, fundraising, supporting community activities, organisations and local people within the town.”

The loss of the New Milton Rotary Club will have an impact on a large number of local charities and sections of the community including as examples: Oakhaven Hospice; Home-Start New Forest; New Forest Disability; Honeypot House; Fortune Centre of Riding Therapy; First Responders; local schools (both Primary and Secondary); the elderly; sports groups and many disadvantaged families.

The final action of the Club will be to distribute our remaining charitable funds to deserving causes and projects in the local community and thus we are seeking applications for our financial support. Causes and projects would need to be sustainable and be of benefit to the community. Please contact New Milton Rotary at info@newmiltonrotary.org

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