



# The Lymington Society

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### Sale of the Lymington Bus Station for Redevelopment

The Lymington Society has been aware for several years of the likelihood that the bus station would one day be sold for development as it has previously been listed by the NFDC as a potential site in its housing planning guidance.

Now that the site is finally to be sold, the Society very much welcomes the fact that the bus services operated from the bus station will not be curtailed and that the funds raised will be used to support the continuation of a full bus service. We are also pleased to hear that there will be no redundancies due to the sale.

In these difficult times bus services provide a vital lifeline for poorer families and older people especially and we hope that all the current services will continue much as before. **We hope that this opportunity will be taken to ensure that the service fully integrates with the train service at the railway station.**

Speaking to the A & T after the announcement of the sale of the Bus Station Lymington Society Press Spokesman said:

*"Clearly any future development which emerges on this unique site will need to be carefully designed to fit in to the heart of the Georgian centre of Lymington and the Society the Society will work with the community to ensure that any designs chosen are suitable.*

*However the prospect of a large new development right in the centre of the town which could contain new housing as well as retail and business elements is an exciting prospect.*

*A suitable development is certainly something that the Society would welcome as it could inject much needed vitality into the centre of the town at this difficult time for many traders and the local economy.*

*In combination with the exciting Redrow development which is now proceeding apace, any eventual development could have a major effect in helping to rejuvenate the town.*

*The Lymington Society would welcome the opportunity to take an active part in consultations with the eventual owners to try and obtain the best result possible for the town on this important site"*

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