



# BEMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of Bembridge Village Partnership Green Town Steering Group meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at 4.00pm Parish Office, 5 Foreland Road, Bembridge

**PRESENT:** Mr J Leaver (Chairman), Cllr S Weedall, Mr I Graham, Mr T Freeman, Cllr M Sullivan, Mrs E Goldring (Clerk)

Mr John Leaver was appointed to continue as Chairman

### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence

Apologies received from Mrs B Clough. Non-attendance Cllr T Millington.

### 2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

To receive for approval minutes of the Green Town Steering Group meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2017

**RESOLVED:** Approved minutes of the Green Town Steering Group meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2017

### 3. FORWARD PLAN

To discuss forward plan

Project	Latest Actions	Actions Required
The Point Clear Up Project inc Bembridge Trail Sign/Leaflet	Report the trees at the Point to Island Roads for removal of large fallen branch and assessment for ongoing safety	Cleared
Palmer Memorial Restoration inc Sign/Leaflet	Wightstonemasons to drill two holes within the Palmer Memorial to drain the water from the troughs	Holes drilled works well
WW1 Remembrance Orchard, Lane End Cemetery	Bembridge Beauty needs to be placed as it is dead	Contacted Deadons twice
Lincoln Way Pond Clearance	No pond liner to be installed.	Annual clearance TBA
Big Tree Plant Old School Field	Top 8 trees need new guards to be replaced	1 dead to be replaced
Lane End Clear up	More weeds to be removed	Removed
Culver Trail Project Signs and leaflet	Ok	Ok
Mound, Lane End Cemetery	Ok	Ok
Compost bin area, Lane End Cemetery	Ok	Ok
War Memorial Gardens fence	4 posts are rotten and the fence need to be replaced	Done
Birdham Corner flower beds	6 sleepers to be installed on the large bed. A membrane to be put in place and bark chippings covering it with less shrubs for easier maintenance (Sept/Oct)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct Lengthsmen to help
Regular Events	Latest Actions	Actions Required
Beach Cleans	Ok	Ok
Litter Picks	Ok	Ok
Street Fair Stall	No stall for 2017	No appropriate
Bembridge in Bloom Awards	Organise awards for 27 <sup>th</sup> July	In hand

Best Kept Village	Litter picking rota ongoing	Awards 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept
Wight in Bloom	Chase for sponsorship	None available
<b>Footpaths</b>	<b>Latest Actions</b>	<b>Actions Required</b>
BB22 – Hillway Road to Sandown Road		
BB4 – Beach Road dead end		
BB14 –Howgate Road to Coastal Path		Hedge to be cut back
BB21 – Bembridge Windmill to Brading	2016/17 Project complete	Hedge to be cut back
BB10 – Sandhills	2016/17 Project complete	
Brooks Close to Foreland Farm Lane	15-16 <sup>th</sup> May works took place and ROW to install staggered barrier	Gates and signs to be installed
BB2	Waiting for response from ROW as to what works they wish to see happen here as a natural spring means it's always wet	Full Council to approve 18 <sup>th</sup> July
Poplar/Beachfield/Merlin Close	Was the shingle dumped on the rear corner?	Yes

#### 4. BEST KEPT VILLAGE

To discuss Best Kept Village inspection and awards

The judges have been twice. The results will be known at the awards on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September 19.30 at 6<sup>th</sup> form campus Nodehill. Barbara to attend if available.

#### 5. BEMBRIDGE IN BLOOM

To discuss Bembridge in Bloom 2017

Booked the Village Hall for the awards on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July at 2.00pm. Ian and Caroline helped Barbara to deliver nomination forms. HRD to sponsor for £200.00 and present the awards. The village partnership to support the rest. Barbara has arranged the judges for mid-July. **RESOLVED:** Arrange Bembridge in Bloom awards event.

#### 6. BIRDHAM FLOWER BEDS

To discuss the flower beds at Birdham corner

Need to redesign both beds so that they are less maintenance. The small bed has sleepers surround which would be good for the larger bed opposite. 6 sleepers would be required cost £240.00. Dig out the shrubs, lay a membrane and put bark chippings on top with a few planted shrubs. £300 budget allocated from the Village Partnership and conduct project in the winter months September/October. Lengthsmen to assist on 2<sup>nd</sup> October. Arrange a site visit mid-September to place order. Relocate shrubs taken out.

#### 7. WAR MEMORIAL RESTORATION PROJECT

To discuss War Memorial restoration project

Listed building consent has been granted. War Memorials Trust grant application submitted. They require further information on the efforts to obtain quotes as 6 have been approached 4 have declined and only Wightstonemasonry Ltd has provided a quote.

#### 8. MEN IN SHEDS

Has been discussed before and wasn't sure how to fund the shed, what location and the interest from the public. Being driven by the Age Friendly Island project. Plenty of things to do within the village including bike maintenance. Include within the annual parish council public consultation to gauge interest. Need approx. 12 to get it up and running. Less than that would not be viable.

#### 9. JAPANESE KNOTWEED

Some located at BB10 but not on the public right of way. Its private land. Some just before Howgate again on private land. Sheila to approach Darrel Clarke to write to the landowners so that they are aware and can take action so that it doesn't encroach. Newly appointed person in charge of noxious weeds John Hague.

**10. BB2 FOOTPATH**

Many reports from the public that it is wet. Rights of Way and BPC cannot afford to dig a trench and lay a pipe. IWC will provide road planings to be laid and wacked into place by the Parish Lengthsmen over 2 days in September. Cost hire of equipment only. To be agreed by Full Council on 18<sup>th</sup> July. Records date back to 2002 show that it is a natural spring confirmed by Graham Sutton previous IWC drainage engineer.

**11. BEACH CLEANS & LITTER PICKS**

All going well 17 attended the last Beach Clean. Kingswood is invited to attend the autumn litter pick. The more it is done the less waste is collected. More people to meet Barbara at the Point. Metal to be collected from Paddock Drive.

**12. PUBLIC REALM**

To discuss benches, bin, posts and planters outside 5/7 High St  
There is a mismatch of items outside 5/7 High Street including the circular bench, long bench, bin, planter and fingerpost sign. Also the railings outside of Lloyds bank building are not suited to a Conservation Area and were criticised within the LPA Conservation Area Appraisal Document. The area is owned by IWC and Island Roads as contractor are responsible. Come up with ideas to improve the area and bring back to the next meeting. Find out when the pavements are due to be resurfaced here.

**13. AOB**

Do we need an updated green spaces audit? Circulate audit completed by Janet as part of the BNDP process for consideration.

Brooks Close shrub owned by Tim Rogers and came to previous planning committee.

BB19 Lynchens couple of old concrete benches broken and covered in moss. Next agenda.

Is there a list of best trees in Bembridge? No there is a tree survey on Parish Council owned land only.

Ian has produced a list of where trees could be replaced or planted. Approach Island Roads for advice. Trees need to be substantial 10ft a small budget may be required.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Next meeting Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September at 4.00pm in the Parish Office

Meeting closed 17.00

Signed:.....Dated:.....