



# BEMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of Bembridge Village Partnership Green Town Steering Group meeting held at **4.00pm 1<sup>st</sup> June 2016**, Parish Office, 5 Foreland Rd, Bembridge

**PRESENT:** Mr J Leaver (Chairman), Mrs B Clough, Mrs S Weedall, Mr I Graham, Mr T Freeman, Victoria, Mrs E Goldring (Clerk).

### 1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive apologies for absence. Mr G Jancey.

### 2. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

To receive for approval minutes of the Green Town Steering Group meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016

**RESOLVED:** Approved minutes of the Green Town Steering Group meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016 and signed by the Chairman.

### 3. **BEACH CLEAN**

The next beach clean is on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June at 10.00am. Ian apologies cannot attend. Tony Lane End, Sheila Swains, John Ducie and Barbara the Point. All head towards the point and ask other volunteers to start there. £10 given to Sheila from petty cash for refreshments at the Tollgate Café. Tony will use his trailer to collect the bags and place them in the lengthsmens wheelie bin. Ask the Lengthsmen to move the waste from Paddock Drive.

### 4. **PALMER MEMORIAL PROJECT**

Wighstonemasons have restored the Grade II listed Palmer memorial reinscribing the plaque to match the original due to deterioration; one section of the cornice had weathered and has been replaced and the weather vane has received attention. A new information board has been installed here along with informative leaflets for the residents and visitors who pass by. The Green Towns Steering Group has been busy tidying up the area and working on this much needed restoration.

The year 5 class at Bembridge Primary School has been researching Rev James Nelson Palmer as part of their Victorians project and have created a number of leaflets with their findings. Bembridge Heritage Society has been extremely helpful with the research and hosting the school children's visit to the heritage centre. Many others have contributed towards this restoration including Dave Rance a generous resident and George Bristow at the Pilot Boat collecting a penny a pint. Thank you to Pete Fellow of the Down to Coast project who has assisted with project plan and grant funding.

Lady Sally Pigot OBE did the honours of unveiling the newly restored memorial whilst Cllr Mike Tarrant Chairman of Bembridge Parish Council made the unveiling speech. Emma Goldring Bembridge Parish Clerk says 'We hope that this secures the memorial for many years to come'.

The end of grant form has been submitted. Pete Fellows Down to Coast suggests we look at the funding criteria to see if there are any other projects that could be submitted.

### 5. **FOOTPATHS**

Brooks Close to Foreland Farm Lane application form completed and submitted to ROW with 25 witness statements. Awaiting acknowledgement of the application and land owner

notices which have to be positioned at each end of the path and photographed weekly for 4 weeks as evidence.

BB21 haven't heard if a contractor has been appointed yet.

BB40 modification order Parish Council has been asked to respond to the consultation within 28 days.

**6. INFORMATION BOARDS**

Quote from Shelley Signs £6,440 for 10 replacement boards. Printing of leaflets £261 and the rest of the funds towards installation. Groundworks grant has been submitted; deadline is 3<sup>rd</sup> June and minimum of £8,000. 3 landowner's forms submitted with the application.

**7. BEMBRIDGE IN BLOOM COMPETITION**

6 categories. Most have 3 applications a few more coming in. Judging taking place mid-July. Try to book the Village Hall for the awards on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July and if it's free inform HRD.

**8. STREET FAIR**

Gazebo and table unfit for purpose. Need to purchase a new single pop up gazebo with feet. Sheila will collect beforehand. Amey Rep very good. Short of materials need more for next time. Amey mobile recycling centre and education centre are available. Would be useful to have them in Bembridge during the 2 weeks that the tip is closed in August. The recycling unit is manned. Agenda item for next meeting.

**9. LINCOLN WAY POND CLEARING**

Last year was arranged early July. Volunteers will need their own boots, forks and gloves. Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July at 10.00am is good for all. Ask the public if anybody would like the iris from the pond.

**10. HUGEL BED**

Following a site visit to the Coastguard Green and Lane End Cemetery it was agreed to create the hugel bed utilising the mound at the rear of Lane End Cemetery. Spike is going to top the trees and leave the cuttings. Aaron will use a digger to shape the mound. Once this is complete dates can be arranged for a working group to commence. The old compost bins behind the shed can be utilised. Full Council to agree the project. Need funding for top soil and power barrow.

**11. LANE END FLOWER BEDS**

2 shrubs have died and they are full of weeds. Need to remove the dead shrubs and replant. Lay geotextile along the beds. Fill with 2 tonnes of beach stone. Volunteers to join the Lengthsmen on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 10.00am.

**12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Purple car at Windmill layby needs to be removed. Already reported to Island Roads and IWC, chase.

All. Some (short - honestly) aob for today from Ian Graham:

1) suggestion. Put wooden beam as a seat across tree stumps outside Pilot Boat and remove rotten stump? The land is owned by IWC. A seat would attract people from the pub and was refused before. Ask Island Roads to remove rotten stump.

2) suggestion. Repoint the slabs surrounding the war memorial and replace 1 broken block on the memorial itself. Ask for a quote from Wightstonemasons.

3) There's never soap in the village loos? Wallgate units to be replaced with sinks.

4) Has hotel been asked to beach clean - any reply? Chase a reply.

5) Pile of rubbish at end of Paddock Drive. Can lengthsmen collect? Yes

6) Dead lime tree outside 29 Meadow Drive. Base rotten. Can island roads remove? Ask Island Roads to remove.

7) What is alcove for near the bus stop outside the cemetery for? See picture below. Was the old bus stop.

8) suggestion. Replace litter bin in memorial garden with one with a top as birds are flicking the litter out? Already in hand I believe. Island Roads has confirmed it will be replaced with a new bin.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 4.00pm Parish Office

Dates for your diary:-

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June 10.00am Lane End Flower Beds

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July 10.00am Lincoln Way Pond Clearing

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July (if VH free) Bembridge in Bloom Awards afternoon

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