



BEMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Bembridge Village Partnership Green Town Steering Group meeting held at **4.00pm 4th May 2016**, Parish Office, 5 Foreland Rd, Bembridge

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

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive apologies for absence. None.

2. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

To receive for approval minutes of the Green Town Steering Group meeting held on 6th April 2016

RESOLVED: Approved minutes of the Green Town Steering Group meeting held on 6th April 2016 and signed by the Chairman.

George Jancey has circulated a proposal via email to introduce 'hugel beds' within Bembridge and wondered if there were any community areas they could be installed. It was thought that the edge of the Coastguard Green would be the best position for a flower bed not vegetables. Need sea hardly plants. Perhaps Gerry Price might like to be involved. No cost apart from collection of materials and labour time. Site visit on 24th May at 1.00pm and agenda item to be considered at the next meeting. Full Council would need to approve and clerk to double check the lease doesn't prevent its introduction.

3. **SPRING LITTER PICK**

Spring Litter Pick on 16th April at 10.00am at Steyne Park.

All went well. Kingswood did not attend. Photo and publicity on Facebook. Sheila has kept a list of names of those who attended. Autumn Litter pick on 22nd October.

4. **PALMER MEMORIAL PROJECT**

Tidy up project complete. Wightstonemasons are working on the restoration now. Geraniums to be planted once they are finished. New leaflets have been printed and information board installed. County Press and Pete Fellows to be invited on 20th May. Agenda for the grand unveiling to be produced no longer than an hour. Mike to give a speech and recreate the unveiling of 1910/photo gathered around the memorial. Use gazebo, table and chairs for the guests and provide refreshments. The school children will watch the demonstration of traditional skills performed by Wightstonemasons and then judging of the leaflets from the groups of school children will take place. Sheila to approach Bennetts and ask if the no parking stencil can be used on the boulders and green barriers removed.

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.

BB6 Ducie to Tyne off the beach behind the old garlands club is a difficult walk however ROW has reopened it. Keep an eye on it.

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 is eligible and deadline is 3rd June and minimum of £8,000. Need assistance from members to get landowner consent forms completed for each board. Ian and Sheila to assist.

7. BEMBRIDGE IN BLOOM COMPETITION

6 categories. Poster and forms drafted need to amend closing date to 30th May in line with Wight in Bloom. Not keen on excluding previous winners as this could deter future entries. Encourage previous winners to help with the competition.

8. STREET FAIR

The application has been submitted for the street fair stall. The Parish Council has a new double pop up gazebo which has weights for the feet. 3 pop up banners are in the office for the green towns. The trestle table is still around the yard. Sheila will start collecting recycling again. Tony to deliver all the items and set up on the day. Sheila, Barbara, John and Ian are all available to man the stall on the day. The office will produce information boards again showing all projects and provide a range of leaflets for distribution. Amey have offered to join the stall to promote the waste recycling but this offer will be declined. The mobile education centre would be too large for the street fair. Rota for the day; Tony and Sheila 11.00-1.00, Ian and Barbara 1.00-2.30, John 2.30-4.00 Tony will return at 4.00 to assist with the dismantle and take equipment away. No selling of items on the stall just for information purposes.

8. RECYCLING

To discuss Mobile Recycling Unit.
Library ones are being taken away. Is this really required and would it attract additional waste dumping that the Parish Council would dispose of? Let the new waste contract bed in and see if there is a requirement in the future.

9. HARBOUR

To discuss Boardwalks/Regeneration at Harbour
The Point area is owned by Malcolm Thorpe and leased to Nigel Bennett. There are a lot of paths through the vegetation could it be cordoned off so that one path is created? Not an area of responsibility for the Parish Council.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

George can you recommend a front lawn to introduce a ‘hugel bed’ as a demonstration for the works and assist with advertising? Could hand out leaflets at the street fair for the concept.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 1st June 4.00pm Parish Office – Invite Hilary Wellsted to join us

Signed: Dated:.....