



BEMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Bembridge Village Partnership Green Town Steering Group meeting held 13th June 2018 at 4.00pm Parish Office, 5 Foreland Road, Bembridge

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

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence. All present

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

To receive for approval minutes of the Green Town Steering Group meeting held on 14th March 2018.

RESOLVED: Approved minutes of the Green Town Steering Group meeting held on 14th March 2018

3. FORWARD PLAN

To discuss forward plan

Project	Latest Actions	Actions Required
The Point Clear Up Project inc Bembridge Trail Sign/Leaflet		OK
Palmer Memorial Restoration inc Sign/Leaflet		Ok
WW1 Remembrance Orchard, Lane End Cemetery		Ok
Lincoln Way Pond Clearance	Annual clearance	26 th September
Big Tree Plant Old School Field	5-6 dead trees	Reassessment
Lane End Clear up		OK
Culver Trail Signs and leaflet		Ok
Mound, Lane End Cemetery	Trial wild flower verge	TBA
Compost bin area, Lane End Cemetery		Ok
War Memorial Gardens		OK
Birdham Corner flower beds	Ian and Caroline clearing weeds	OK
Concrete Planters		Ok
Regular Events	Latest Actions	Actions Required
Beach Cleans	Ok	Ok
Litter Picks	Ok	Ok
Bembridge in Bloom Awards	July	Ok
Best Kept Village	Telephone boxes disgusting	OK
Wight in Bloom	War Memorial Gardens submitted	Ok
Footpaths	Latest Actions	Actions Required
BB22 – Hillway Road to Sandown Road		
BB4 – Beach Road dead end		

BB14 –Howgate Road to Coastal Path		
BB21 – Bembridge Windmill to Brading	Signpost needed	Chase ROW
BB10 – Sandhills		
Brooks Close/Foreland Farm Lane	BB45 extension order advertised	
BB2		
Poplar/Beachfield/Merlin Close		
BB42		
BB19 Lynchens	Muddy could do with resurfacing and steps	Arrange site visit with ROW and LM
BB7	Will be improved as part of coastal trail	Natural England

4. BEMBRIDGE IN BLOOM

To discuss the Bembridge in Bloom Awards

All categories covered could do with another in small garden if anybody wishes to put forward a nomination. Hidden gardens were a great day and next year a new category could be introduced. Judging in July. Awards 26th July in the afternoon at the Village Hall.

5. BEACH CLEANS

To discuss beach cleans

Beach clean at 10.00am on the 16th June starting points to be agreed:-

Paddock Drive Ian Graham

Ducie John Leaver

Lane End Tony Freeman and Marianne Sullivan

Swains Sheila Weedall

Beach Rd Barbara Clough

Jeff away. Trevor at the Tollgate Café has offered to do refreshments. Sheila has water to take in a cooler. Tony to use trailer and dispose of bags in the wheelie bin. Lengthsmen will collect bulky or heavy item for the end of Beach Rd on Monday.

6. WAR MEMORIAL RESTORATION PROJECT

To discuss War Memorial Restoration Project and ABCT Plaques

Lee Byrne was not happy with the stone offered by Russell Page and has asked to source York Stone. A two week deadline has been given. It could put the cost up and the budget is set. Ideally have the restoration complete for November.

Old paving will be retained and used to build a new plinth for the two ABCT plaques and relocation of the comrades plaque to the rear flower bed. Tommy to be installed in the back corner, light to be fitted and new planting including golden privet to take place.

7. VILLAGE TREES

To discuss Village Tree policy

Bembridge Parish Council has agreed the tree proposal received on 20th Feb which have included within a tree policy. Woodland Grove would like to plant new trees and this will be the first as a trail.

RESOLVED: Arrange meeting with Myron and Ian to progress for planting in October /November.

5th tree past junction of Swains Rd on Foreland Rd is dead and has been reported to Island Roads for removal and replacement.

8. RIGHTS OF WAY

- To discuss and agree footpath improvement projects for BB19 and BB7

BB7 is ok now but muddy in the winter and diverts onto the beach/shingle. It is included within the coastal path proposals and would be upgraded by Natural England.

BB19 Lynchens needs an improvement project. Stabilised gravel surface required. Chalk slippery. Two old benches need to be considered.

RESOLVED: Arrange site visit with IWC Rights of Way and the Parish Lengthsmen

- To discuss and agree Lincoln Way Pond Clearance

RESOLVED: To take place on Wednesday 26th September at 10.00am with the Parish Lengthsmen

9. FLY TIP CAMPAIGN

To discuss the Fly Tip Campaign

There is not a specific problem with fly tipping in Bembridge. Happy to promote IWC initiative on website, Facebook and Twitter.

10. BEST KEPT VILLAGE

To discuss Best Kept Village

Island Roads have painted the inside of the Foreland Rd bus shelter but not the wooden window frame or boards. All of the notices have been tidied. Keep checking that the best kept village notice is still up. Phone boxes are disgusting. Sheila has been taking down posters inside. Will not know when the judges come. Find our more in July.

11. PUBLIC REALM

To discuss bins at Lifeboat, Lane End and Foreland Field carpark

No response received from BBA regarding promotion of businesses using less plastic; chase.

Lane End/Lifeboat Car Park litter issues

Following an email received in the Parish Office on 7 April from a visitor to Bembridge, Jeff Doolan, Ian Graham and John Leaver met on 24 April to clarify the problems and consider options. Reference was made to similar problems elsewhere in Bembridge. Regard was also paid to email comments from colleagues following the 7 April correspondence. An extract from the original correspondence is:

'We were down by the LIFE BOAT STATION. A lot of people have picnics and BBQ's down there. Someone had dumped black bin bag full of BBQ and picnic rubbish by the very SMALL rubbish bin that was there. The next morning the rubbish was everywhere there was old bones and food all over the place. It looked very untidy. We did pick up most of it. We got talking to a resident. They said it is always happening. It will only get worse now the summer is coming.'

Problems	Possible solutions
1. Bin in wrong position by sea wall such that rubbish blows on to the beach.	1. Move bin to car park.
2. No Bank holiday bin collection.	2. Consider options and cost of special collection.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Bins capacity too small for beach/picnic/bbq area. Lock on one bin is broken. 4. Plastics from cafes. 5. Forelands beach car park; inadequate public bin. 6. Tyne beach; glass, cans and bbq and base of steps in summer season. 7. Other areas where bags are left e.g. opp Pilot Boat 8. Dog bins; point made that some are too small i.e. Swains Road 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Consider and cost replacing one set of bins with larger facility. 4. Follow up draft document prepared by IG. 5. Consider and cost larger bin. 6. Consider provision and costing of bin. 7. Confirm whether there are problems and options. 8. Replace bin.
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JL 10.5.18

RESOLVED: Draft proposal to Island Roads regarding bins. Ian to assist with photos of specific bins and areas to be attached.

12. AOB

A spreadsheet of planters and those who are responsible and maintain has been created by Ian. Barbara has added a list of those who water the planters/beds. Ian to update.

A proposal was put forward by Ian to consider wildflower grass verges within Bembridge such as opposite the church, outside St Lukes Churchyard and Kings Road. Bob Seely is promoting wild flower verges. Concerned that residents and visitors will think grass has been left, looks untidy and complaints will be received. Promotion will need to be undertaken to ensure understanding.

RESOLVED: Contact IWC and Island Roads regarding their policy for wild verges. Conduct a trail of a wildlife verge using the mound at the rear of Lane End Cemetery.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Next meeting Wednesday 12th September at 4.00pm in the Parish Office

Meeting closed 17.00

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