



# BEMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of Bembridge Green Town Steering Group meeting held on **5<sup>th</sup> February at 3.30pm** at The Parish Office, 5 Forelands Road

Present: Cllr S Weedall (Chairman), Cllr M Donlon, Cllr M Sullivan, Cllr K Fagan, Mrs B Clough, Mr J Leaver, Mr J Doolan, Mr I Graham, Mr M Pink (Clerk) and Mrs J McDade (Clerk)

### 1. **Apologies for Absence**

To receive apologies for absence  
Apologies accepted from Mr T Freeman

### 2. **Minutes from last Meeting**

To approve the minutes of the Green Town Steering Group held on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2019  
**RESOLVED:** Approved the minutes of the Green Town Steering Group held on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2019 and duly signed by the Chairman

### 3. **GTSG Forward Plan**

To agree GTSG Forward Plan  
**Appendix A**

### 4. **Footpaths**

- Discuss Footpath Survey to be carried out Spring 2020  
Arrange a morning last week of March to explain survey and give out forms and allocate footpaths. Forms to be back by end of April.
- Update on footpaths  
BB10 still closed between Foreland Field Road car park and Howgate Road, this will stay closed until ground has stopped moving. Any changes/improvements will be agreed then by Rights of Way.  
BB10 stairs down to the beach at Ducie Avenue reported to the office, Lengthsmen have removed greenery from the rails and cleared the stairs of mud but gullies at the top are overflowing causing problems, this has been reported to Rights of Way for investigation. Lengthsmen have suggested maybe concreting the bottom of the stairs but will wait until we hear back from Rights of Way.

### 5. **Beach Cleans and Litter Picks**

To agree format and personnel for Beach Cleans and Litter Picks  
Format as per last year. Have signed Bembridge up for the Keep Britain Tidy Litter Pick on 28<sup>th</sup> March. Require 2 volunteers to walk from Bembridge Airport to the park, either side of the road.

**RESOLVED:** Agreed to purchase 50 pairs of gloves from High Street fund

### 6. **Carbon-Neutral Village**

Could Bembridge be a Carbon-Neutral Village by 2030? To discuss and agree way forward

Have signed up to the Carbon Trust. Need to seek views from school children. Need to carry out a carbon audit on the PC's properties. Need to find out how other Parish Councils have taken this forward. Cllr Sullivan and Cllr Fagan are attending Rural Community Energy Fund workshop in Lyndhurst.

**RESOLVED:** Agreed to write to landowners asking if they have space to plant some trees.

**RESOLVED:** Agreed to request 420 Hedge, 420 Copse and 420 Year-Round Colour from Woodland Trust for delivery in November

**RESOLVED:** Agreed to ask school and Scouts to get involved with planting

**RESOLVED:** Agreed to hold a meeting to discuss this subject only

**7. Any Further Information**

- Sensory plaques for the Memorial Garden
- Place for cold frame to grow plants for the Village
- Stall at the Street Fair for information on GTS, VP and Friendship Circle

**8. Date of next Meeting**

To confirm date and venue of next meeting TBC

**Meeting Closed: 4.45pm**

**Signed:**

**Dated:**