



Steyne Park

Finally we can report good news for Steyne Park Swings.



The Parish Council are overjoyed to be able to report that after several drawbacks and various problems there are once again swings in the park for the children of Bembridge. The swings were put up at the end of June just in time for the school summer holidays and they look very smart. There are now 2 cradle swings for the youngest children and 2 flat swings for the older children, as well as the basket swing.

We hope everyone who has been waiting so patiently are pleased with the new design and look. We'd like to thank the contractor Red Lynch for their work and we hope they will give all the children much pleasure. We are sure that anyone walking by will hear cries of 'more, more, higher, higher.'



The Memorial Garden

The Parish Council's Memorial Garden has been shortlisted for an award in the Wight in Bloom Competition. Two of our village gardeners are attending the awards ceremony to find out if we have actually won. Even if the garden is not a winner; it surely is in the eyes of Bembridge as it looks lovely all year round. For the Coronation celebrations it looked particularly good with all the

flowers and bunting. We hope the garden brings peace to everyone and consider it an honour to have been shortlisted. Our thanks go to the gardeners for all their hard work.

IWASP

Latest scams to be aware of from IWASP. All warnings come from Trading Standards so are genuine.

- Reports received of a scam call purporting to be the Postcode Lottery. The caller asks for personal information and often bank details to receive the winnings! If you aren't sure if it's a scam call find the genuine number for the company and phone them to check if you are a winner!!
- A call purporting to be O2, offering rewards for being a loyal customer. They say they are sending a one time passcode and you need to verbally tell the caller rather than putting it into the app. This gives the scammer access to your information.
- Reports are coming in from vulnerable residents who receive a call trying to replace their Wightcare package – the caller says the current package is no longer be available (this isn't true) and they try to sell you a new one asking for bank details. Please be aware of companies trying to offer similar care packages, they are very often scammers.

These are all examples of prolific phone scams, if you are in receipt of scam telephone calls please consider call blocking. Sky, Talk Talk or Wightfibre all offer a FREE call blocking service to their customers. If not you can purchase call blocking phones that can do the same function. These measures can block up to 98% of unwanted scam calls keeping us safe from these unwanted calls.

