



Minutes of the meeting of the PARISH COUNCIL held at 7pm on 25th February 2026 in the VILLAGE HALL.

Officer in attendance: Mark Rochell Clerk to the Council
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26th February 2026

Councillors in attendance: Cllr M Groom (Chair), Cllr C Adams, Cllr H Brabazon, Cllr G Brasington, Cllr J Hodgkinson, Cllr G Stoddart-Stones, Cllr M Sullivan.

Public Forum: No members of the public were in attendance.

Minutes

11/26 Apologies for Absence

To receive and accept apologies for absence.

Resolved: To accept apologies for absence from Cllr I Davis, Cllr M Humphray, Cllr P Kenny, Cllr S Noyes and Cllr S Philipsborn.

12/26 Declarations of Interest

To receive and record declarations of interest.

None received.

13/26 Minutes of the previous meeting of the Council

To receive and adopt the minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting.

Resolved: To receive and adopt minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting.

14/26 Reports

To receive the following reports:

14/26.1 To receive report from the Chair.

Received: attached with Papers www.bembridgeparishcouncil.gov.uk

14/26.2 To receive report from the Clerk.

Received: attached with Papers www.bembridgeparishcouncil.gov.uk

14/26.3 To receive a report from our Isle of Wight Councillor – Joe Robertson.

None received

14/26.4 To receive relevant reports from outside bodies:

- Cllr I Davis – Village Hall Management Committee
- Cllr M Sullivan – IoWC Env & Sust and Friendship Circle
- Cllr M Groom – Bembridge Harbour Advisory Group
- Cllr S Philipsborn – IWALC
- Cllr S Noyes – BYCC Committee

All relevant reports received.

14/26.5 To receive relevant reports from Committees:

- Cllr M Groom – Planning Committee
- Cllr H Brabazon – Steyne Park Regeneration Committee

Received: Minutes available at www.bembridgeparishcouncil.gov.uk



15/26 Finance

15/26.1 To receive and approve transaction list - £609.75 receipts and £14,708.15 payments up to 31st January 2026.

Received and approved.

15/26.2 To approve and sign Bank Reconciliations as at 31st January 2026.

Approved and signed.

16/26 Financial Regs and Risk

To receive and agree to adopt the following policies and regulations for approval as recommended by the Finance & Governance Committee:

16/26.1 Financial Regulations

16/26.2 Financial Risk Assessment

16/26.3 Risk Management

16/26.4 Risk Assessment

16/26.5 Investment Strategy

Resolved: To agree and adopt with minor consistency amendments to Financial Regulations para 6.2.

17/26 Hire charges for storage units

To receive, review and agree hire charges for storage facilities on Bembridge Parish Council land.

Resolved: To enter lease agreements with all institutions who rent space from the Parish Council for storage facilities, to stipulate insurance arrangements and a peppercorn ground rent of £10 per year.

18/26 Southern Water

To receive update and agree any actions on Southern Water works planned at The Point.

Resolved: For Parish Council to send a freedom of information request to Southern Water on number of times emergency tankers have been required over the past 12 months due to failure of the Point pump station.

19/26 Exclusion of Public and Press

To resolve that in accordance with **s.1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960**, the press and public will be excluded from the following items, having due regard to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

Resolved: To exclude press and public.

20/26 Staffing

To receive and updates on current staffing and agree arrangements.

Received: following meeting with Mrs Debbie Glover confirmation that she will be returning to work on an average 8hr per week contract from 2nd March 2026 to help co-ordinate Parish Council events.

Meeting closed: 8:23pm

Date of next meeting: TBC

Signed:

Date:



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