



**Minutes of the ENVIRONMENT & NEIGHBOURHOOD COMMITTEE MEETING held at 11:00am
on 5th May 2026 in the VILLAGE HALL.**

Officer in attendance: Mark Rochell, Clerk to the Council
clerk@bembridgeparishcouncil.gov.uk

20th May 2026

**Committee members in attendance: Cllr C Adams, Cllr M Humphray,
Cllr G Stoddart-Stones, Cllr M Sullivan, Cllr M Groom, Mrs A De Trey, Ms L Newberry.**

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

Minutes

1. Apologies for Absence

To receive and accept apologies for absence.

Resolved: To accept apologies from Cllr G Brasington, S Noyes and S Philipsborn.
To elect Cllr C Adams as Chair of meeting in absence of Chair and Vice Chair.

2. Declarations of Interest

To receive and record declarations of interest.

None received.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting of the Council

To receive and adopt the minutes of the previous meeting of the Environment & Neighbourhood Committee.

Resolved: To receive and adopt.

4. Budgets

To note current Environment & Neighbourhood Committee budget.

Noted.

5. Environment Day – Climate Action Plan

To receive updates on the Environmental Awareness event held on Saturday 18th April and confirm arrangements for the Climate Action Plan Day on the 30th May from Cllr G Stoddart-Stones.

Received and agreed to recommend that the cost of Climate Plan Consultancy be taken from reserves rather than E & N Budget.

6. Biosphere Festival

To note and discuss any plans to promote or participate in the Biosphere Festival 27th June – 5th July 2026.

Noted and agreed that the Parish Council should support the idea from Mrs Tanya Hendy for an open yoga session to tie in with BioSphere festival.

7. In Bloom

To receive updates on Bembridge in Bloom and Southeast in Bloom from Debbie Glover and agree budget and future actions.

Received and agreed a budget of £2,000.00.

8. Cakes for Cancer 2026

To receive updates from Debbie Glover regarding the Wessex Cancer Cakes for Cancer event and agree any further actions.

Received: event to take place on Friday 29th May, cakes and donated raffle prizes to be coordinated with Debbie.

9. Annual Parish Meeting

To receive update from the Clerk regarding the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 26th May and agree details of agenda.

Received: APM to take place in Village Hall at 6:30pm Tuesday 26th May. Clerk to arrange a volunteer sector annual update pack for all attendees and arrange for presentations on the theme of protecting our oceans.

10. Royal British Legion.

To note request for support from Royal British Legion and agree any actions.

Resolved: To put this to Full Council in June.

11. Current Project Updates

11.1 Resilience Group

To receive any updates from Cllr C Adams regarding current Resilience Group activity and agree any further actions.

Received: Updated on SSSEN grant application for old Fire Truck.

11.2 Plastic Free Communities

To receive any updates from Ms L Newberry and Mrs A De Trey and agree any further actions.

Received: Mrs A De Trey is carrying out talks for the WI and has been invited to speak at the Bembridge APM.

11.3 Tree Wardens

To receive any updates from Cllr G Brasington and agree any further actions.

No update

11.4 Harbour Farm

To receive any updates from Mr A Holman and agree any further actions.

No update

Meeting closed at 12:10

Date of next meeting: 7th July 2026

