

BEMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Bembridge Environment & Neighbourhood Council Meeting held at 5.30pm on

Wednesday 25th January 2023 at Bembridge Village Hall.

Present: Cllr M Groom (Chair), Cllr H Brabazon, Mr I Graham, Mr K Cook,

Cllr S Noyes, Mr A Robinson, Cllr M Sullivan, Mr N Thorton, Cllr L White, Cllr L

Mitchell, Cllr G Stoddart-Stones

Officers: Julia Shorrocks (BPC Clerk).

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies received from Cllr Poncia, Mrs C Behan and the Rev Daughtery.

Apologies accepted

2. To receive declarations of interests relating to items on agenda. None received

3. Minutes

To receive for approval minutes of the meeting held on 24th November 2022. **RESOLVED – Minutes signed and approved as a true and accurate account of the meeting**

4. Matters rising from the meeting of the Environment & Neighbourhood committee held on 24th November 2022

Q. from Mr. K. Cook re the removal of the byelaw regarding dogs on Steyne Park. Confirmed it was just the word byelaw being removed from the sign and not the byelaw itself being removed from Steyne Park

5. Finance

a) To note the Committee Budget Year to Date report

An administrative error was noted. An extra payment to the community gardeners should have been recorded under the Jubilee cost centre. The sale of jubilee badges took place at the Street Fair. The overall payment debits and

credit balance remained the same. There is a small amount left in the budget for grants **Noted**

b) To note the committee payments from November 2022 – January 2023 Noted

6. Forward Plan

The dates for the beach cleans have been set for the year.

Bembridge Community Chest – set a date with the BYCC if they are free for a Friday near the beginning of October

Have Your Say – was very successful but Cllr's would like it to be earlier in the year. A Fri evening followed by Saturday morning would be good as wouldn't have to set up and take down. Mid – late Sept (avoid 23rd Sept) Speak to VH to get dates.

Bembridge Star Competition – Very successful. Doing the presentation after Christmas worked well and would allow a later judging. Set date for judging next year on the Mon 18th Dec and Tues 19th Dec 2023

Lincoln Way Pond – In September another round of cleaning needs to be undertaken. One willow needs work. An environmental audit would be good. Ask Lyndsey from Beach Survey if she could undertake this.

Bembridge Map Reprint – Spencer Willard have offered a reprint with their logo and updated village photos. Visit Sam Branson to organise.

Gateways – Get lengthsmen to remove and clean. Investigate the costs of replacements.

Signage – Signs collected and ready to put up by the lengthsmen.

Cemetery Troughs – These need planting up to brighten the area. Some are covered by community gardeners.

Village Troughs – A review needed to make sure the village looks its best for the King's Coronation

7. Report of Star Competition

This was covered in the forward plan discussions

8. King Charles III's Coronation

A Big Lunch in Steyne Park on the Sunday is the preferred option. Cllr L Mitchell and Mr K Cook to speak to BYCC on Thurs 26th January at their meeting to see if they would like to be involved. A working group will be set up to sort arrangements.

The Monday, Bank Holiday, is being put aside for Charity Volunteering in the Community. Suggestion was to organise a 'community beach clean' but tide times need to be checked.

9. Beach Cleans

Dates already discussed in Forward Plan but due to discussion on King's Coronation the date in Apr or May might change for the Volunteer in the Community Beach Clean

10. Bembridge in Bloom

Cllr M Sullivan to lead. Ask Ms A De Trey to assist. There is a meeting on 2nd Feb for sustainability group. A date in June will be set.

11. Bembridge Street Fair

Run by two very capable parishioners. Committee members want to support in principle. Need a proposal from the Fair organisers as to what the costs are going to be. Defer further decision until FC

Meeting closed 6.40pm