



BEMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Bembridge Village Partnership meeting held at **5.00pm** on the **13th November 2019** in the Parish Office

Present: Cllr M Donlon (Chairman), Cllr S Weedall, Cllr G Stillman, Cllr M Sullivan, Cllr R Weaver, Mrs B Clough, Mr Keith Cook Mrs J McDade (Clerk) and Mr M Pink (Clerk)

1. Apologies for Absence

- To receive apologies for absence.
Apologies received and accepted from Cllr J Chapman, Mr S Warburton and Rev Amanda Bloor

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

- To approve the minutes of the Village Partnership held on 11th September 2019.
Resolved: Approved the minutes of the Village Partnership meeting held on 11th September 2019 and duly signed by the Chairman.

3. Village Partnership Budget

- To receive the accounts for 2019/20
The accounts were received and agreed
Some future event budgets were discussed and will be minuted below in the relevant sections. It was agreed that the Dragons Den event will take place in May 2020
- To agree grant for Bembridge Community Gardeners
Resolved: It was agreed that a grant of £350.00 will be made to the Bembridge Community Gardeners from the Village Partnership. It was also suggested that an additional small grant application be submitted to the Parish Council and that they devise a project to present to the next Dragon's Den event to secure further funding.

4. Forward Plan

- To discuss and update Forward Plan
The members of the committee discussed the forward plan and updates were noted. The restoration of the Bell to St Luke's Chapel has been put on hold and Cllr Weedall intends to follow it up at a later date.

5. Village Partnership Matters

- To discuss VE Day Commemorations 2020
Resolved:
It was agreed to arrange an indoor tea party for VE Day 2020 to be held on Friday 8th May. The event will be held in the main village hall with the small hall and grounds at the rear used as overspill. It was agreed to ask local childrens groups such as the scouts to help with the event. It was agreed to allocate a budget of £500 to the event.
- To discuss Star Competition 2019
Resolved: It was agreed to allocate a budget of £300 to this event. This is to include a £30 meal voucher for the Old Village Inn and a £50 meal voucher for the Crab and Lobster as prizes. Other costs to include the charity donations and hire of the Village Hall.
- To receive an update on the K1 Telephone Box restoration
It was reported that a grant of up to £1695 has been approved from the Landscape Partnership (Down to the Coast) towards the completion of this project. This is towards the replacement of window frames, repairs to the door and new paint. The project needs

to be completed by 4th May 2020. The Clerks will begin the process of instructing contractors and contacting British Telecom.

- To discuss village map and agree a way forward
It was reported that the Clerks have contacted Mr Alan Rowe who produced the new map of Ryde & Newport. He has given an estimated quote of £950.00 for a similar product for Bembridge.

Resolved: It was agreed by the members to commission the map and a budget of £1000 was allocated to the project. It was noted that the map will need to be able to be reproduced in both small and large versions without any loss of detail/resolution.

- To discuss any new projects
Cllr Weedall presented a project that would replace the telephone boxes that are to be removed from Steyne Park and Lane End by British Telecom with old red telephone boxes. These would be purchased, sited on the existing concrete plinths and filled with assorted flora and fauna.

Resolved: It was agreed by the members that this project required further investigations surrounding costings and prices and allocated an initial budget of £1000.

Cllr Weedal also presented a proposal for a project to create a viewing and seating area at Lane End, adjacent to the Lifeboat Station. The raised area concerned is owned partly by Southern Water and partly by the IW Council.

Resolved: It was agreed by the members that the Clerks will approach both Southern Water and the IW Council for advice. If the project is a viable option, the Clerks will then approach suitable companies for quote/s to undertake the work.

6. Green Town Matters

- To receive an update on Green Town Matters
Cllr Weedall, as Chairman, gave the members a report from the Green Towns Sub-Committee that had met immediately prior to this meeting. Matters were noted and it was agreed that it was better that this was now separated from the Village Partnership.

7. Road Safety and Security Matters

- To receive an update on road safety and security matters
Cllr Stillman gave the members a report on the new Traffic Regulation Orders that had recently been implemented in the village. He stated that there had been a few complaints but they had improved the parking situation especially around the school on Walls Road and the surrounding area. Without the new parking restrictions the bus would not have been able to use High Street when Steyne Road was closed due to a tree being down on Foreland Road. It was also reported that the improvements for the Kings Road/Station Road junction are scheduled for February 2020.

8. Date of next Meeting

- To confirm date and venue of next meeting.
Wednesday 5th February 2020, Parish Office@5pm

Meeting Closed: 6.05pm

Signed:

Dated: