



BEMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Bembridge Village Partnership meeting held at **4.00pm** on the **11th September 2019** in the Parish Office

Present: Cllr M Donlon (Chairman), Cllr S Weedall, Cllr G Stillman, Cllr M Sullivan, Mr I Graham, Mr S Warburton, Mrs B Clough, Mrs V Sparrow and Mr M Pink (Clerk)

1. Apologies for Absence

- To receive apologies for absence.
Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Richard Weaver, Mr Jeff Doolan, Rev A Bloor, Ms K Castle, Mr K Cook and Mrs Jacqui McDade (Clerk).

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

- To approve the minutes of the Village Partnership held on 7th August 2019.
Resolved: Approved the minutes of the Village Partnership meeting held on 7th August 2019 and duly signed by the Chairman.

3. Village Partnership Budget

- To receive the accounts for 2019/20
The accounts were received with no questions or issues
- To agree to instruct Mrs Kendal to produce the Bembridge Neighbourhood Development Plan Annual Report at a cost of £500.00
Resolved: It was agreed to instruct Mrs Kendal as above and for the Clerk to provide all information required

4. Forward Plan

- To discuss and update Forward Plan:
Barbara Clough asked if there could be a £250.00 increase to the community gardeners from the Village Partnership. It was suggested that an application for a small grant should be submitted to full council.
Bembridge in Bloom had been very successful and thanks were expressed to all those who organised it.
It was reported that the new planters that are made from re-cycled wood have now been planted.
There was a question mark over the inclusion of the MUGA in the forward plan. The Clerk informed the meeting that this was amongst the items for discussion at the upcoming development day.
The village map has yet to be produced. The Clerk will follow up and report back to the meeting.
The community walk in September has been postponed and will now be a Spring Walk with a date TBA.
There was an update on the St Luke's bell restoration. It is likely to be sited on a decorative plinth and put on display.
It was reported all of the Culver Trail boards are all okay
There was a request for more Bembridge leaflets to be produced.
There will also be the ongoing monitoring of trees.
Anything currently in blue shall be removed from the forward plan.

5. Village Partnership Matters

- To discuss VE Day Commemorations 2020
Cllr Weedall circulated a list of ideas to everyone for discussion. The Village Hall was offered as an alternative but a street party is the preferred option
Resolved: It was agreed to proceed with the event with a date confirmed as Friday 8th May 2020 at 12 noon.
- To agree Star Competition 2019
It was suggested that the same format as last year will be followed but there will be no separate children's competition this year. It was also suggested that some funding could be sought to increase the prizes.
Resolved: It was agreed to arrange the awards for Friday 13th December 2019 at 6pm in the Village Hall with judging to take place on Wednesday 11th December 2109. Cllr Weedall to look at costs and report back.
- To receive an update on the K1 Telephone Box restoration
The Clerk confirmed that an application form has been accessed on the Heritage Fund website and a user account created for BPC. However, there has been no time to complete and submit as yet.

6. Green Town Matters

- To agree date of Autumn Litter Pick
Resolved: The date was agreed as Saturday 26th October 2019, starting from Steyne Park @ 10am
- To receive update on bulb/wildflower verge planting
It was confirmed that the bulbs and seeds are now in the Parish Office ready for planting.
Resolved: It was agreed that the bulbs are to be planted at Lane End on Wednesday 9th October 2019 at 10am and the turf stripper needs to be booked. The "Bee Bombs" will be planted on Friday 11th October 2019 and the seeds on Tuesday 15th October 2019. The scarifier will need to be booked for this date.
- Rights of Way: To receive an update on the Lagoon Path
Cllr Weedall gave the members an update from an e-mail received from Darrell Clarke at the IW Council.
- To receive feedback on the beach cleans
Cllr Weedall reported successful and well attended beach cleans. There was also a special beach clean with the Bembridge Shrimps.
- To discuss any other Green Town Matters
Dog bins and rubbish bins were mentioned briefly

7. Road Safety and Security Matters

- To discuss School Walking Bus project
Discussions were had on whether to defer to the next meeting or remove from the agenda completely
Resolved: It was agreed to remove this item from the agenda completely

8. Green Town Steering Group Sub-Committee

- To discuss reforming the Green Town Steering Group as a Sub-Committee of the Village Partnership
Resolved: It was agreed unanimously to recreate the steering group under the former terms of reference that will meet prior to the Village Partnership meeting. Members agreed as Cllrs Weedall, Sullivan and Stillman, Mrs Barbara Clough, Mrs Verena Sparrow and Mr Ian Graham

9. Date of next Meeting

- To confirm date and venue of next meeting.
TBA

Meeting Closed: 17.25

Signed:

Dated: