Minutes

Name of Meeting	IWC Public Realm and Coastal Meeting – West Wight
Date and Time	06/10/2026 10.30
Venue	Microsoft Teams
Attendees	Alaster Sims [AS] Kristian Horlock [KR] Stu Brown [SB] Ian Dawson [ID] Bonny Pettinger [BP] Fiona Capewell [FC] Tracey Reardon [TR] Lora Peacey-Wilcox [LPW]

1. Welcome/Apologies /Housekeeping

Emily Delacey	Sherlie Burridge	Councillor John Hobart
Matthew Spooner	Katie Riley	Councillor John Nicolson
Abigail Reynolds	Sally Woods	Frances Turan
David Wallis	Michael Davies	Councillor Alison Child
Claire Gale	Helen Gibbs	Councillor Penny Acton
Joy Walker	Brian Jacobs	Councillor Martin Oliver
Val Taylor	Councillor Paul Fuller	Councillor Tim Addison
Michala Bailey	Councillor Debbie McLeary	Councillor John Pullen
Debbie Faulkner	Kate Scragg	Councillor Colin Willis
Sue Chilton	Councillor Nicholas Gurney-Champion	Councillor Steve Cowley
Kirst Gibson	Councillor John Cirrone	Councillor Keith Cram
Gareth Hughes	Councillor John Angell	Councillor Gareth Wyre
Richard Shaul	Councillor Dave Stewart	Council Dawn Haigthomas
Councillor Andrew Burroughs		

2. Update from Coastal

ID provided an update for Coastal:

In the west and Islandwide there will be site meetings carried out this week with Trinity House who are responsible for the overview of our navigation markers for example; Beacons.

Informed that hazard line marking works will be going ahead in the coming months, Islandwide. this will be in place where there is a significant drop, to make members of the public more aware.

Other large works – vcolweel totalnd and freshwater – surface defect repairs, starting next week. Promenades will be looking in better condition after these works.

3. Update from Public Realm	
KH provided an update for Public Realm:	
Informed that the Internet cable running from seaclose offices to Beaulieu House is now complete, the installation was successful and ran smoothly. Confirmed that park run will then be able to go ahead.	
Isle of Wight Festival reinstatement in almost complete.	
Over in Gurnard we have had the drain covers replaced and the playground installation is now complete.	
Final grass cuts going ahead before hedge cuttings begin in November – March islandwide.	
FC – Enquired is Church Litten playground having works carried out?	
KH – Responded that we have not had confirmation as of yet if Church Litten will have works completed. This is due to the government grant money having specific criteria's to meet, one being areas of deprivation.	
TR – Enquired about Northwood recreation ground swing basket that was replaced. Have checks been done on the wooden supports?	
KH – Responded that inspections are carried out annually and bi-weekly, no major issues reported, the swing basket was flagged on the annual inspection and deemed unsafe.	
4. Update from Public Realm Officers	
SB Provided an update for the Public Realm Officers:	
Public Realm Officers have been undertaking duty of care inspections this past couple weeks in relation to waste at business. Will be looking at this more during the winter months now that enforcement focus has eased from PSPO areas as beach restrictions have ended.	
East Wight inspections have generated £600.00 on fines. Plan is to next move to Cowes.	
We are aware of lots of issues within Church Litten of graffiti and litter. The Waste provider attended on Monday to remove the litter, but this will be monitored closely.	
Beach sign damaged at Gurnard beach, has been reported to the police. We work closely with the neighbourhood policing team and this will continue.	
Also reported we are seeing an increase of rough sleepers in tents. Which has also seen an increase in drug paraphernalia. We are working with Two saints to address welfare.	
LPW– wished well done on the enforcement this is brilliant to hear.	
SB – reported, thank you, enforcement has gone up significantly in the recent months.	
LPW – are you aware of the rough sleepers at Cowes cemetery? SB responded yes, we are, JL returned from long term leave and visited and had these moved on. LPW requested to pass on how good JL is and very pleased to have her back.	

5. Pre-submitted Questions	
None reported.	
6. AOB	
TR Enquired about the tree branch over Mornington Woods – requesting the tree monitoring report?	
KH responded that he will chase this and send it over.	
LPW enquired about the plaque on the seafront in Cowes, it is very dilapidated, it is on a pillar on the green in Cowes just along from the water fountain. It is a Piece of history would be amazing to restore it.	
AS – requested for photos to please be sent over.	
7. Next Meeting Tuesday 3rd November 2026	