

Bembridge Harbour Trust

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Bembridge harbour is currently in administration and is expected to be put up for sale shortly.

The bid is supported by Solent Protection Society, whose aim is to ensure the ecological and environmental well-being and wise management of the natural beauty and amenities of the Solent area for present and future generations.

Solent Protection Society is a founder member of the Bembridge Harbour Trust.

Bembridge Harbour Trust's other aims which meet with Solent Protection Society's approval are: to protect the wildlife and its habitats in the harbour; to protect the scenery of the harbour and be vigilant in seeing that over-exploitation or neglect does not occur; to preserve the harbour's unique mixed character as a working harbour and recreational amenity; to increase opportunities for bird watching and walking and to maintain the area as a well-kept and desirable residential and commercial harbour.

Mr Jeremy Clark, Chairman of the Solent Protection Society, said, "As an environmental charity dedicated to protecting the Solent for future generations, the future of Bembridge Harbour is of great concern to us. We support the Trust in its efforts to protect the traditional character of this important local harbour and in running it for the benefit of the local community. We very much hope the Trust's bid succeeds".

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Mr Michael MacInnes, Chairman of the Bembridge Harbour Trust, said, “We are delighted to have the support of the Solent Protection Society for our bid. Our aims are exactly in line with theirs – to preserve and enhance the approaches and setting of Bembridge Harbour for the benefit of the public and all the harbour users and in perpetuity for the benefit of the local communities of Bembridge, St. Helens, Brading, Nettlestone and Seaview”.

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