

Warren Drew

Conservative candidate for Bembridge: Isle of Wight Council elections

VOTE THURSDAY 7th MAY

Working together for Bembridge

Your current councillor Joe Robertson is not re-standing in the Isle of Wight Council elections.

That means Bembridge will elect a brand new councillor on 7th May. **Warren Drew, who is Island born and bred, is standing as your local Conservative candidate.**

Warren went to school in Ryde and now works from home locally as a lawyer. He is the outgoing Chair of the Isle of Wight Council's Planning Committee and has campaigned to stop over development and destruction of our green spaces. **At Full Council he voted against allocating housing on the fields off Steyne Road.**

If elected, Warren will work with residents, local businesses and our parish council to ensure that Bembridge continues to be a wonderful place to live, work and spend time.



Warren Drew is standing to replace Joe Robertson (who is standing down) as Bembridge Councillor on 7th May.

Supporting local shops



Bembridge is a special, vibrant village, with a variety of wonderful shops and local businesses. But they need supporting so they can thrive.

Government policies, Council decisions and rising fuel costs are putting many local businesses at risk. The Council should be helping to relieve pressure not adding to it.

Protecting Bembridge Primary School

The Island has too many primary school places. That's why the Council tried to close 6 schools last year. After May it will likely try again and may include more schools.

There is no suggestion that Bembridge will be on the list but nothing can be taken for granted.

Warren is already working with local parents to protect our wonderful village school.



Talking through the future of our school with local parent Tanya.

Working together for better ferries

The Island's two MPs are working together to secure Government intervention on ferries, but the Council has been too weak on this issue.

If elected, Warren Drew and local Conservative leader Ed Blake from Ventnor will speak up and back both our MPs. **One strong unified voice regardless of party politics is needed to drive improvements but councillors have often been silent. That must change.**

Your candidate

Protecting green spaces and cutting sewage spills

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Discussing work to reduce sewage spills in the sea and local flood relief with Southern Water. Action is needed far in advance of legal deadlines.



Warren has been working with Southern Water to help tackle sewage spills and reduce flood water - using his experience as Chair of the Council's Planning Committee. He voted to stop overdevelopment in Bembridge unlike Liberal Democrat councillors who consistently voted to allocate hundreds of new homes on green fields in our village.

Warren recently met locally with Southern Water, together with Bembridge parish councillors, to press for quicker action to cut sewage spills. The statutory deadline for water companies to clear up their act is the mid-2030s.

This is far too long for Bembridge and the whole Island which is why Warren will continue to campaign for quicker, meaningful action.

Securing the Council's finances



Discussing local opportunities with Bembridge resident Anita Winkles.

The Isle of Wight Council is broke. The ruling Independent "Alliance" backed by Liberal Democrat councillors spent down the reserves and the Council has applied to the Government for an emergency loan. At the same time the Government has cut the Council's grant by £50 million over the next 3 years and handed millions of pounds to a combined mayoral authority based in Hampshire instead.

Strong Conservative leadership - working cross-party - can restore the Council's finances and secure the Island's future for everyone.

Road Closures

Road closures are too disruptive all over the Island. The Council, Island Roads and utility companies must coordinate and communicate better.

Meet Warren Drew at The Point

12.00 on Saturday 2nd May

Please come and share your views with local Conservative candidate **Warren Drew** and MP **Joe Robertson** at The Point by the harbour. Follow the signs next to Solent Landing.

