



# BEACH CLEANING

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING REPORT 27/25

9 JUNE 2025

The purpose of this Report is to ask members to consider the arrangements for beach cleaning in light of a request from the Isle of Wight Council.

## 1) BACKGROUND

- a) In 2015, the Ventnor Town Council undertook to fulfil the beach cleaning services when the Isle of Wight Council reduced the level of its discretionary services. The decision was made by Ventnor Town Council in order to retain the blue flag status which could not have been achieved at the reduced level provided by the Isle of Wight Council.
- b) The Isle of Wight Council has requested that Ventnor is included in the island wide foreshore cleaning contract from 2026 for which there would be no cost to Ventnor Town Council in respect of beach cleaning activities. The Isle of Wight Council would not pay for the emptying of the bins along the beach. However, Ventnor Town Council could add this to an existing bin clearance contract.

## 2) RECOMMENDATION

Members are recommended to:

Relinquish the beach cleaning service and accede to the Isle of Wight Council's request to include Ventnor in the island wide foreshore cleaning contract from 2026.

Authorise the Town Clerk to extend the existing bin clearance contract to include the emptying of bins along beach from 2026.