

BEXHILL-ON-SEA TOWN COUNCIL

To all Members of Bexhill-on-Sea Town Council

You are summoned to attend a meeting of **BEXHILL-ON-SEA TOWN COUNCIL**
to be held in the **BEXHILL SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB, EVERSLEY ROAD,**

BEXHILL-ON-SEA

on **Wednesday 30th July 2025** at **6:30pm**

when it is proposed to transact the following business:

Joey Daeva

Proper Officer

25th July 2025

Members of the public and press are welcome to attend.

Please note that the proceedings of this meeting may be recorded in line with regulations set out in the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014. Members of the public addressing the council but not wishing to be recorded should put this request to the town clerk at the earliest opportunity.

**PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR MOBILE PHONE DURING THE MEETING AS THIS INTERFERES
WITH THE RADIO MICROPHONES USED IN RECORDING THE MEETING.**

AGENDA

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

4. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

5. MINUTES

To approve the minutes of the following meetings of the full council:

a) Wednesday 25th June 2025.

(Appendix A)

b) Wednesday 2nd July 2025

(Appendix B)

6. COMMITTEES

a) To nominate members to the Town Accessibility Working Group, feeding
back to the Amenities Committee.

7. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES

a) Amenities Committee:

i. It was **RESOLVED** to recommend the lease to Full Council with
pending questions.

(Appendix C)

Answers to questions raised by the Amenities Committee are yet to be received.

a) Finance and Audit Committee:

- i. It was **RESOLVED** to recommend the recruitment of up to two part-time Committee Administrators to Full Council. (Appendix D)

8. MAYOR'S OFFICE

- a) To receive update on the work of the Town Mayor.

9. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

External councillors may report for 3 minutes. Written reports must be received three days before the meeting.

- a) To receive reports from Division County Councillors.
- b) To receive reports from Ward District Councillors.
- c) To receive ward reports from Town Councillors.

10. PLANNING MATTERS

- a) To receive update on Neighbourhood Plan.

11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION

- a) To note the categorised devolution list from Rother District Council and to progress with the submission of Expressions of Interest.

12. ROTHER DISTRICT COUNCIL LIAISON

- a) To receive verbal update on leader's meeting held 18th July 2025.
- b) To receive verbal update on Pebsham Play Park.
- c) To consider booking the Rother District Council Town Hall Chamber for future meetings for the cost of £35 per hour.

13. EXTERNAL REPRESENTATIVES

- a) RALC – Cllr Huseyin and Cllr Jacklin.
- b) Citizen's Advice – Cllr Byrne.
- c) Bexhill Air Cadet Squadron – Mayor/ Deputy Mayor.
- d) Bexhill Maritime – Cllr Timpe.
- e) Little Gate Farm – Cllr Winter.

- f) Neighbourhood Board – Cllr Wilson.
- g) Combe Valley CIC – Cllr Jacklin.
- h) Chamber of Commerce Centenary Fund Assessment Panel – Cllr Wilson.
- i) Bathing Water Community Group – Cllr Byrne, Cllr Drayson, Cllr Jacklin, Cllr Plim.

14. PROCESS FOR SELECTING THE CHAIR, WITH A DEADLINE SET AHEAD OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL – Cllr Drayson

- a) To note this project has not yet started.

15. CRIME PREVENTION INITIATIVES – Cllr Plim

- a) To note this project has not yet started.

16. TO RECEIVE REPORT ON ADDITIONAL COUNCIL VEHICLE

(Appendix E)

17. TO CONSIDER RE-APPOINTING MULBERRY LOCAL AUTHORITY SERVICES LTD FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM

(Appendix F)

18. TO CONSIDER COLLABORATING WITH THE BEXHILL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO CREATE A MAP OF DEFIBRILLATORS IN THE TOWN

19. TO CONSIDER INVESTIGATING MOVING THE NORMANS BAY 'WELCOME TO' SIGN

– Cllr Winter

20. MOTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

- a) Cllr Winter.

This Council resolves to introduce a structured framework of "Lead Councillor" roles, aligned with best practice in local governance, to strengthen thematic oversight, enhance community engagement, and prepare for asset devolution. These roles shall be advisory and representative only, without individual decision-making powers.

- b) Cllr Lee.

I would like to propose the installation of a convex mirror at the meeting of Canteloupe road and Sea road, for safety reasons ie crossing the road

there is difficult and potentially dangerous, so I'd like to put this before our council for consideration.

c) Cllr Jacklin.

What, if anything, can the Council do to support the business that are being moved out of the Colonnades.

d) Cllr Thomas.

To investigate renewal of the bridge over the stream at the end of the Roundacre Way path, and replacing the 3 steps down to this bridge, including provision of a handrail.

e) Cllr Thomas.

To investigate the possibility of installing a dog waste bin on the footpath between Glenleigh Park Rd and Turkey Rd.

f) Cllr Thomas.

To investigate the possibility of installing a cigarette bin on the top of Galley Hill.

g) Cllr Crotty.

Does the Town Council fully support the Colonnade traders in being placed back into their work space, at a reasonable rent with no additional charges when the work has been done.

h) Cllr Jacklin.

That the Council asks the PCC (Police and Crime Commissioner) as well as Hastings and Chief Inspector of Hastings and Rother Division of Sussex Police to confirm that Councillors are not subject to increased risk of prosecution under the CPS Public Interest test which applies to police investigations and that the Clerk seek further clarification on this from NALC if required.

i) Cllr Wilson.

To consider appointing an external representative to the Bexhill Cultural Network

21. CORRESPONDENCE AND MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

- a) To consider providing a letter of support or comment to assist Action Against Abuse with their application for a Rother District Council grant, following the grant previously awarded to them by this council earlier in the year.
- b) To consider advertising Paul Mayhew-Archer's 'Incurable Optimist' comedy show organised by Parkinson's UK Bexhill Working Age Group.
- c) To consider providing customer feedback to be used on TGTM Ltd's website.
- d) Email from Normans Bay Residents Association.

22. QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a) To receive answers to questions raised at the last meeting.

Cllr Winter asked if the clerk could investigate moving the Normans Bay 'Welcome To' sign.	This item is on the agenda.
Cllr Goss asked if the Old Town speedwatch survey had been carried out.	Due to safety regulations, this was not possible to complete.
Cllr El asked that the Clerk ask Rother District Council whether the Pebsham Play Park project can proceed while the land registry application is still pending.	This has been asked.

- b) To receive questions from councillors and any future agenda items.
Questions shall be recorded in the minutes and responded to at the next meeting.
- c) To consider any new risks to be added to the risk register.

23. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 24TH SEPTEMBER 2025

All motions for the next meeting of full council on 24th September 2025 must be received by 15th September 2025.

Pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act) 1960, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and the press will not be permitted to attend during the following items:

24. TO RECEIVE STAFFING UPDATE

25. TO RECEIVE UPDATE ON LEGAL CLAIM