

## **BEXHILL-ON-SEA TOWN COUNCIL**

To all Members of Bexhill-on-Sea Town Council Climate, Nature and Environment Committee  
Cllr Baldry; Cllr Norris; Cllr Plim; Cllr Thomas; Cllr Gibson

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the  
**CLIMATE, NATURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**  
of **BEXHILL-ON-SEA TOWN COUNCIL**

to be held in the **Committee Room, Rother District Town Hall, Bexhill-on-Sea**  
on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at 7pm**  
when it is proposed to transact the following business:

*Julie Miller*

Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

6<sup>th</sup> July 2023

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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.

### **AGENDA**

- 1. TO ELECT CHAIR**
- 2. TO ELECT VICE CHAIR**
- 3. TO APPOINT MEMBERSHIP OF ACCESSIBILITY WORKING GROUP – MINIMUM THREE COUNCILLORS**
- 4. TO APPOINT MEMBERSHIP OF BEACH AND SEA WORKING GROUP – THREE COUNCILLORS**

### **5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

The period of time designated for public participation at a meeting in accordance with standing order 3(e) shall not exceed 15 minutes unless directed by the chair of the meeting. Subject to standing order 3(f), a member of the public shall not speak for more than 3 minutes. In accordance with standing order 3(e), a question shall not require a response at the meeting nor start a debate on the question. The chair of the meeting may direct that a written or oral response be given. A person shall raise his hand when requesting to speak and stand when speaking (except when a person has a disability or is likely to suffer discomfort). The chair of the meeting may at any time permit a person to be seated when speaking. A person who speaks at a meeting shall direct his comments to the chair of the meeting. Only one person is permitted to speak at a time. If more than one person wants to speak, the chair of the meeting shall direct the order of speaking.

- 6. TO SUSPEND STANDING ORDERS TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM BEXHILL MARITIME**
- 7. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

## **8. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

## **9. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **10. MINUTES**

To approve and sign the minutes from the meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023 (Appendix A)

## **11. TO REVIEW ALL PROJECTS AS PER FULL COUNCIL MOTION AND CONSIDER WHETHER TO CONSIDER OR STOP**

<b>Project</b>	<b>Status</b>
Domesday Project	In progress - one year contract signed
Operation Radcott	Cllr Plim attending meetings
Graffiti Issues	Invite Wave Arts to a meeting
Funding Compostable Toilet	Agreed to fund at March meeting
Sewage Release	Meeting held with Southern Water
Bexhill Family Collective CIC Allotment space	Town Clerk organising allotment space
Happy to Chat	Not yet started organising bench at St Barnabas
Emergency Response Plan	Not yet started organising template from ESALC
East Sussex Highways Liaison	Organising SLR meeting with ESCC
Community Fridge	Investigations not started yet
New rail link to Polegate	Invite English Regional Transport Association
Natural England request for Coastal Path maintenance	Investigations not started yet
"Grot busting" Team	Investigations not started yet
Grit bins	On this agenda
Hanging Baskets	On this agenda
Welcome to Bexhill Signs	Awaiting confirmation from Highways England
Neighbourhood Plan	On this agenda
Verge Cutting – additional cuts	Paid for 2023

## **12. TO RECEIVE NOTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM WORKING GROUPS**

- a) Town Accessibility Working Group – meeting deferred.
- b) Beach and Sea Working Group – meeting deferred.

## **13. ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS**

- a) Operation Radcott – to receive update from Cllr Plim
- b) To note update on 'Hello Bexhill' projects.
  - i. To note 'Happy to Chat' signs installed on benches.

- ii. To note the clerk to organise the supply and installation of a new 'Happy to Chat' bench up to the value of £2000.00 at earliest opportunity.
- iii. 'Welcome to Bexhill' signs - to note awaiting permission to install from National Highways
- c) To note template to be requested from ESALC for emergency response plan.
- d) To note Wave Arts to be invited to a future meeting to discuss ways of dealing with graffiti issues.
- e) Sewage release on Galley Hill – to note community stakeholder meeting held with Southern Water to discuss the evidence and consider next steps.
- f) To receive update on the Bexhill Wild Domesday Project.

#### **14. HIGHWAYS MATTERS**

- a) To note Strengthening Local Relationships (SLR) meeting being arranged with East Sussex County Council to raise outstanding highways matters from last agenda and to nominate members to attend.
- b) To review verge cutting progress.
- c) "Grot-busters" – to note Clerk investigating options.

#### **15. ALLOTMENT SITES**

- a) To note Allotment Status update *(Appendix B)*
- b) To receive Preston Road boundary report *(Appendix C)*
- c) To receive Sidley House boundary report *(Appendix D)*
- d) To approve allotment inspection form *(Appendix E)*
- e) To approve allotment inspection policy *(Appendix F)*
- f) To approve application for shed/greenhouse form *(Appendix G)*

#### **16. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

- a) To designate Neighbourhood Plan area and to note contact with Rother District Council officer to proceed with Plan.

#### **17. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**

- a) To note current budget position year to date:
  - Future Projects Budget £20,000 allocated £10,000 to Domesday project
  - Allotment Rent Income Budget £1365 received £729
  - Allotment Expenditure Water Budget £650 spent £0
  - Allotment Expenditure Maintenance Budget £4,000 spent £0

#### **18. MOTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS**

- a) Cllr Baldry
  - That the Town Clerk is asked to investigate the cost of funding a limited number of replacement or additional waste bins with the Town Council logo to include regular emptying where the current provision is inadequate.

#### **19. CORRESPONDENCE AND MATTERS FOR INFORMATION**

- a) Complaint about graffiti
- b) Email from Rother District Council regarding shade at Skate Park
- c) Dog Control in Rother consultation – to consider response
- d) Email from East Sussex County Council regarding wildflower verges
- e) Email from Rother District Council regarding Energy Champion Training

- f) Email from resident - 5G mast meeting flyers
- g) Email from Highways 30mph signs in Cooden Sea Road
- h) Updates on overgrown verges
- i) Email from East Sussex County Council regarding major bus service changes
- j) Transport for the South East Forum

## **20. QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- a) Questions carried forward from last meeting.

There are none.

- b) To receive questions and future agenda items

Questions shall be recorded in the minutes and responded to at the next meeting or before.

## **21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 11<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2023**