

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

Minutes of the meeting of the **BEXHILL-ON-SEA TOWN COUNCIL ASSET TRANSFER COMMITTEE** held in the **COMMITTEE ROOM** at **ROTHER DISTRICT COUNCIL TOWN HALL, LONDON ROAD, BEXHILL-ON-SEA** on **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 6pm**

**PRESENT:** Cllr Plim; Cllr Baldry; Cllr Brailsford; Cllr Rustem; Cllr Winter; Cllr Wray

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** J Miller, Clerk; 4 members of the public

### **00545. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

*Questions are asked at the meeting and a response provided in italics below after the meeting.*

A member of the public spoke in favour of the Town Council maintaining the public toilets for the benefit of residents and tourists. It was asked that the responsibilities of the lease are clear and energy performance certificates obtained. *The town council is seeking legal advice to ensure the responsibilities are clear and certificates obtained.*

A member of the public asked what the position of Rother District Council is compared with the Town Council within the terms of the lease and will the Town Council follow British Toilets Association handbook in operation of the toilets. *The terms of the lease have not yet been negotiated however it is expected to be a full repairing lease. The Town Council has not yet agreed a strategy of how it will manage the operation of the toilets but will have regard for national standards and advice from all approved organisations.*

A representative of the Bexhill Museum spoke about the toilets at Egerton Park and the risks that the toilets have posed to the integrity of the museum building. The trustees have approached the District Council about leasing the toilets. It was asked if the Town Council could ask that Rother District Council make the condition survey and lease documents available to the trustees as soon as possible. *Since the meeting, Rother District Council has shared the documents with the Museum Trustees.*

### **00546. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were none.

### **00547. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

Cllr Wray declared an interest in the discussion concerning public toilets at Manor Barn.

Cllr Baldry declared an interest in any discussion about the museum, as a member.

**00548. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were none.

**00549. MINUTES**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve and sign the minutes of 16<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

**00550. PUBLIC TOILETS**

- a) To review information gathered and consider recommendation to full council

It was **RESOLVED** that this committee recommends to full council that the town council proceeds with lease negotiations for the maintenance of the 14 public toilets.

A recorded vote was called for.

FOR: Cllr Plim; Cllr Baldry; Cllr Rustem Cllr Wray  
AGAINST: Cllr Brailsford; Cllr Winter

**00551. NEXT MEETING – 15<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2023**

*Meeting closed at 19:12pm*

Signed.....

Date.....