

Appendix D

Motion: Term limits on Chair of Bexhill on Sea Town Council and Mayor of Bexhill

The Council adopts the following policy regarding the appointment of the Chair of Bexhill on Sea Town Council and Mayor of Bexhill:

1. Unless exceptional circumstances apply, no person shall serve as Chair of Bexhill on Sea Town Council and Mayor of Bexhill for more than one consecutive year.
2. Exceptional circumstances may include situations such as the Vice Chair / Deputy Mayor being unable to take over as foreseen, ongoing critical projects or negotiations that require continuity of leadership, or a declared emergency within the Council's jurisdiction that necessitates stability.
3. The determination of what constitutes an exceptional circumstance shall be made by the Council, considering the specific facts and context of each case.
4. Additionally, if the Council determines that the best interests of the community are served by maintaining the current Chair / Mayor due to unique or unforeseen challenges, it may make a case-by-case exception.
5. All such decisions, which will be made in public, should be based on the Council's assessment of the specific facts and context surrounding the situation.