

**BEXHILL-ON-SEA TOWN COUNCIL**  
Minutes of the meeting of the **BEXHILL-ON-SEA TOWN COUNCIL**  
**ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE**  
held in the **BEXHILL SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB, EVERSLEY ROAD,**  
**BEXHILL-ON-SEA**  
on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2026** at **6:30pm**

**PRESENT:** Cllr Crotty, Cllr Plim, Cllr Thomas, Cllr Winter.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Adam Chugg, Town Clerk; L Muhilathithan; S Deacon; One Videographer; 0 members of public; Cllr Wilson (Ex Officio).

**00580 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was none.

**00581 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

It was **RESOLVED** to receive and approve apologies for absence with reason from Cllr Drayson and Cllr Huseyin.

**00582 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There was none.

**00583 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There was none.

**00584 MINUTES**

To approve the minutes from the following meeting:

a) Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

**00585 REGALIA**

a) To note the ribbon on the Deputy Mayor's Badge has been replaced/repared with a ribbon in the Bexhill Flag colours. – noted.

Cllr Wilson noted that with regret there is damage to the Mayors Chain, the Clerk has been made aware; a bill will be received for repair at some point.

**00586 CIVIC AWARDS AND ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

- a) To receive feedback on the Civic Awards and Annual Town Meeting.

Cllr Plim noted overall positive feedback. The main negative point was the venues PA system; the venue has not charged us for this due to the issues that occurred.

Cllr Wilson noted that the venue was very hot, either need to open more windows or find a bigger venue. Lovely to have so many volunteer groups recognised. Grateful more Councillors attended. There was slight confusion at the end, the admin could have been smarter.

Cllr Crotty noted that prior engagements meant some people were unable to attend. A member of public mentioned they had seen different times for the meeting, causing them to miss the Civic Awards.

**00587 BEXHILL DAY 2026 – SATURDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2026.**

- a) To receive update on the planning of Bexhill Day.

Cllr Plim noted promotions for Bexhill Day are taking place soon.

Discussion ensued regarding potential developments to Bexhill Day.

**00588 ROYAL BRITISH LEGION LIAISON**

There was none.

**00589 REMEMBERANCE DAY AND ARMISTICE DAY**

- a) To note the Council have purchased two Lamp Lights of Peace, one for Little Common and one for Central Bexhill. – noted.  
To note planning is well underway.

**00590 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH-ON – SATURDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2026**

- a) To note planning is underway. – noted.

Cllr Winter noted that he will not be available to attend the 2026 Christmas Light Switch-on.

Cllr Wilson proposed that if the budget allows, a stage be provided to give the performers more visibility.

*The Officers will investigate if this is possible.*

**00591 BEXHILL-ON-SEA CIVIC HISTORY BOOKLET**

- a) To note final version of the Civic History Booklet to be received at the next meeting. – noted.

Cllr Crotty requested that if the Civic History Booklet is ready in time, could this be on sale at Bexhill Day?

**00592 ONE-OFF NEWSPAPER/LEAFLET**

- a) To receive feedback on the one-off newspaper/leaflet.

To note Officers have received some feedback, mainly regarding matters the Council are involved with.

Plim declared an interest as a postal worker for Royal Mail.

Cllr Wilson declared slight interest as he was involved in the proof reading. Delighted there has not been any adverse reactions. The team did a great job.

Cllr Plim suggested there should be a bolder display of the Bexhill colours on the leaflet.

**00593 CORRESPONDENCE WITH BEXHILL TOWNSHIPS IN AUSTRALIA AND CANADA**

- a) To receive and consider approving draft email.

Cllr Wilson suggested that the email should not begin with "I am writing...". The rest is fine but start with something else.

Cllr Wilson proposed we reach out to the 8 other "on-Seas" in the UK.

Cllr Plim proposed to ask our Town Crier to see whether they have Town Criers in respective towns. We could generate a Town Crier competition as a way of advertising us through contacting others.

Cllr Plim proposed motion for this Committee to approve the draft email regarding correspondence with Bexhill Townships in Australia and Canada.

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the draft email regarding correspondence with Bexhill Townships in Australia and Canada.

**00594 COUNCILLOR ID TAGS**

- a) To note the ID tags have been received by the Officers and encourage all Councillors to collect them from the Hub. – noted.

**00595 MOTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS**

There was none.

**00596 CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) To consider correspondence regarding the Vape shops within the Town.  
To note this item will be deferred to be discussed by the Full Council.

**00597 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – TO BE CONFIRMED AT ANNUAL STATUTORY MEETING 20<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2026**

*The meeting was at closed at 19:04pm.*

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