

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 at
COUNCIL CHAMBER, ROTHER DISTRICT COUNCIL TOWN HALL,
LONDON ROAD, BEXHILL-ON-SEA.
on **Wednesday 9th November 2022 at 7pm**
when it is proposed to transact the following business:

Julie Miller
Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

3rd November 2022

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. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

In accordance with standing order 3(e) this session shall not exceed 15 minutes unless directed by the Chairman 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 chairman 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 chairman 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 chairman of the meeting. Only one person is permitted to speak at a time. If more than one person wants to speak, the chairman of the meeting shall direct the order of speaking.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

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

4. MINUTES

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

- a) Wednesday 5th October 2022 (Appendix A)

5. COMMITTEES

To receive the minutes and updates of committees held since the last Full Council meeting:

- a) Planning and Development Advisory Committee - 05/10/2022 (Appendix B)
- b) Asset Transfer Committee – 12/10/2022 (Appendix C)
- c) Community Committee – 12/10/2022 (Appendix D)
- d) Planning and Development Advisory Committee - 19/10/2022 (Appendix E)
- e) Finance and General Purposes Committee -19/10/2022 (Appendix F)

6. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES

- a) Community Committee
 - i. Mace Bearer contract, job description and risk assessment (Appendix G)

- b) Finance and General Purposes Committee
To approve grants to the following:-

Light Up Bexhill	£ 2,200.00	Christmas Magical Event
Pebsham Community Association	£ 1,500.00	Purchase 150 fold up chairs and trolley

7. MAYOR'S OFFICE

- a) To receive update on the work of the Town Mayor (Appendix H)

8. 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.

9. ROTHER DISTRICT COUNCIL LIASION

- a) To note next meeting on 23rd November 2022 and to register any questions to ask.
b) To consider appointing external representatives to attend the Rother District Council High Street Task Force (Appendix I)

10. SUSSEX POLICE LIAISON

- a) To receive updates from Police Crime Commissioner meetings on 18th October and to agree quarterly police liaison meetings (Appendix J)

11. NEW PREMISES

- a) To consider external signage designs.
b) To receive a general update.
c) To consider allocating management of premises budgets to the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

12. SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE

- a) To receive update from Cllrs Brailsford; Taylor-Gee; Thomas on 'Bexhill Hub for Ukraine Support'.

13. SUPPORT FOR EAST SUSSEX FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE IN BEXHILL

- a) To consider writing letter of support to Bexhill fire and rescue service personnel and to express concern for any proposed cuts to local services.

14. GOVERNANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

- a) To consider first draft budget and precept for 2023/24 (Appendix K)
b) To note registration with Information Commissioners Office complete.
c) To note resignation of Cllr Blagrove and to receive update on vacancy.

15. EXTERNAL REPRESENTATIVES

To receive reports from external representatives (circulated prior to the meeting)

- a) RALC - Cllr Winter and Cllr Taylor-Gee
b) Citizen's Advice Bureau – Cllr Gibson
c) Bexhill Air Cadet Squadron - Mayor

- d) Fairtrade – Cllr Izzard
- e) Old and Bold – Cllr Barfoot
- f) Sea Angling Club Design Workshop – Cllr Gibson
- g) ESALC AGM 30/11/2022 1pm – Cllr Drayson

16. MOTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

- a) Cllr Carroll
That the town council pledge support for the Anti-Bullying Alliance
[Pledge your support \(anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk\)](http://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk)

17. CORRESPONDENCE AND MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

All information circulated to councillors prior to the meeting

- a) Various correspondence regarding the co-option process.
- b) Complaint regarding Ukraine event.

18. QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

<p>Cllr Taylor-Gee Asked for an update on the new premises.</p>	<p>This is on the agenda.</p>
<p>Cllr Harding What was the response to the funding request to 18 hours?</p>	<p><i>Sorry for the delay in updating you, but I understand from Christine that you are already aware that the town council decided against funding 18hours.</i></p> <p><i>There was a long discussion, but members felt that the amount of funding was significantly higher than it gives to other local groups and organisations and in the interest of fairness they couldn't justify this amount to one group, particularly as the groups they normally donate to are volunteers and unpaid workers.</i></p> <p><i>The council's budget for funding other organisations is £30,000 per year – so one lump sum to 18 hours has a significant impact on other community funding. The council's agreed policy is no more than £1000 to each organisation. They did say that if there was unspent funds they would consider what they could offer at the end of the year, but last year there was only some unspent funds of approve £6k in the budget. and with the scheme now more widely known about I couldn't predict what this might be for the year ahead yet.</i></p> <p><i>Through these discussions, the council did raise some health and safety issues from the nighttime event, and councillors that organise events suggested 18 hours get some professional advice on road closures and events in the public realm. If you feel you would benefit from this, I could introduce you to some of our members that are event organisers.</i></p>
<p>Cllr Drayson Does the council foresee councillors attend the office on a timetable at specified times each week.</p>	<p>This will be for the council to decide.</p>

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

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 7th DECEMBER 2022.

All motions for the next meeting of full council on 7th December 2022 must be received by 27th November 2022.