

Seaham Town Council



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29th June, 2020

In accordance with Paragraphs 7 & 10(2) (b) of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 , I hereby summon you to attend a Meeting of
SEAHAM TOWN COUNCIL to be held online on

FRIDAY 3rd JULY 2020 at 9.00 AM

To join the meeting click on this link

Seaham Town Council is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Seaham Town Council's Zoom Meeting
Time: Jul 3, 2020 09:00 AM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87514229770?pwd=Q1NHb0xWVFZ6QTRFa050NVVrWkNZQT09>

Meeting ID: 875 1422 9770
Password: 901647

If you prefer to phone into the meeting please advise before the meeting and we will give you a number to access the meeting.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Dianne Rickaby'.

Mrs Dianne Rickaby FSLCC CILCA
Town Clerk (Proper Officer to the Council)
On behalf of the Mayor of Seaham Town Council

AGENDA

MEMBERS ARE REMINDED OF THE NEED TO DISCLOSE ANY INTEREST, PREJUDICIAL OR PERSONAL, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT

1. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

DECISION REQUIRED In view of the confidential nature of the following items to be discussed, the Committee is asked to pass the formal resolution to exclude the press and public from the meeting pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act, 1960.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF AMENDMENT

DECISION REQUIRED Accept the amendment to the standing orders to incorporate the new regulations from the Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020, to conduct virtual council meetings. (attached)

3. REQUEST FROM COUNCILLORS

In accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 we the undersigned being duly elected members of Seaham Town Council do hereby call upon the Mayor as Chairman of Seaham Town Council to call an Extraordinary Meeting of the Full Council to be called within 7 days to discuss the many following issues of real concern which have been raised by elected members, members of the public, local residents, Durham Constabulary, and the Office of Grahame Morris M.P, relating to the recent unrestricted access to the North Terrace green during the unprecedented National lockdown contrary to emergency legislation and introduced to protect public safety and further to raise the significant material issues which have been previously forwarded to the Town Clerk and Council and which Council resolves to answer.

E Bell. J Bell. K Shaw, S Cudlip. L Kennedy R Whitehead, T Shepherd.
S Forster

Councillors questions are attached at (Appendix A)

DECISION REQUIRED Members views are requested.

4. LEGAL VULNERABILITY AND LIABILITY – LAND OWNERSHIP

Appendix B. Advice report from VAT specialist (previously circulated)

DECISION Members to accept the report and to review the status of the land and legal ownership.
REQUIRED

5. **VAT REGULATIONS**

Report on VAT regulations going back to 2015. As above see report previously circulated (**Appendix B**)

DECISION Council to accept the advice in the report and to agree the way forward.
REQUIRED in relation to supporting community groups with regards to the purchasing of assets

6. **REOPENING OF SERVICES AND FACILITIES – TRANSITIONAL TIMELINE.**

Councillors to review the proposed timeline in accordance with Government guidelines. (**Appendix C**)

DECISION Members to approve the timeline and agree the opening of facilities.
REQUIRED