

# Seaham Town Council



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27<sup>th</sup> January, 2021

**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  
ARTS & INFORMATION COMMITTEE to be held online on TUESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup>  
FEBRUARY 2021 COMMENCING AT 6.30PM**

**Members of the press and public who wish to attend this meeting please email [info@seaham.gov.uk](mailto:info@seaham.gov.uk) to request the zoom login details.**

**Dianne Rickaby**  
**Town Clerk**

## **A G E N D A**

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

### **1. ACCEPTANCE OF AMENDMENT**

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.

**DECISION REQUIRED**

### **2. HISTORIC STATUES, PLAQUES, MEMORIALS AND MONUMENTS**

The Secretary of State at MHCLG has made a Written Statement in relation to the protection of historic statues, plaques, memorials and monuments in which he states:

"I am today therefore setting out my intention to make the removal of any historic unlisted statue, plaque, memorial or monument subject to an explicit requirement to obtain planning permission. I also intend to require local planning authorities to adhere to similar notification requirements as

for listed building consent applications involving listed statues, plaques, memorials, and monuments. This will require directions and changes to secondary legislation including the permitted development right for the demolition of buildings."

The full statement is at:

<https://questions-statements.parliament.uk/written-statements/detail/2021-01-18/hcws713>

**DECISION REQUIRED** Members to note the information provided.

**3. NHS AND FRONTLINE WORKERS DAY 5 JULY 2021**

Local Councils throughout the United Kingdom are being encouraged to play a leading role in NHS, Social Care & Frontline Workers Day on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2021, a unique day of celebration and commemoration of those who work twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week without any thought of their own safety.

They are asked to do this by agreeing to raise a unique flag at 10.00 am; lead the Two-Minute Silence at 11.00 am and the Nation's Toast at 1.00 pm from within their local communities, to the Heroes of the NHS, Social Care and those that work so tirelessly on the frontline.

This special day is also being used to raise valuable funds for NHS Charities Together, the official organisation set up to support over 230 hospitals and their charitable trusts.

More details are at <https://www.nhsfrontlineday.org/>

**DECISION REQUIRED** Members to note the information provided.

**4. PRESS OPPORTUNITIES**

**DECISION REQUIRED** Members are asked to consider whether any of the items discussed present a press opportunity.

Sent to: COUNCILLORS R ARTHUR, E. BELL, MRS J A BELL, MRS G BLEASDALE, MRS K BRACE, S P COLBORN, S CUDLIP, MRS S FORSTER, MS R M GRATTON, G N HEPWORTH, MRS L KENNEDY, D MCKENNA, K SHAW, T SHEPHERD, B TAYLOR, MISS L WILLIS

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