

**BOGNOR REGIS TOWN COUNCIL** 

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Dear Sir/Madam,

# **MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

I hereby give you Notice that a Meeting of the Planning and Licensing Committee of the Bognor Regis Town Council will be held in **The Council Chamber, The Town Hall, Clarence Road, Bognor Regis** at <u>**4pm** on **TUESDAY 18**<sup>th</sup> **JULY** <u>**2023**</u>.</u>

All Members of the Planning and Licensing Committee are **HEREBY SUMMONED** to attend for the purpose of considering and resolving upon the Business to be transacted, as set out hereunder. An opportunity will be afforded to **members of the public** to put **Questions/Statements** to the Committee during an adjournment shortly after the meeting has commenced. (NOTE: Members of the public will be asked to provide their name and are encouraged to put questions/statements in advance, in writing. Priority will be given to written questions/statements and these should be restricted to the functions of this Committee). Any written question received by 9am on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July from members of the public not able to attend the Meeting in person, will be read by the Chairman during this adjournment.

# PLEASE NOTE START TIME

# DATED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of JULY 2023

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# **CLERK TO THE COUNCIL**

# THE AGENDA and BUSINESS to be TRANSACTED is:

- 1. Chairman's Announcements and Apologies for Absence
- 2. Declarations of Interest
  - Members and Officers are invited to make any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Registrable and/or Ordinary Interests that they may have in relation to items on this agenda and are reminded that they should redeclare their Interest before consideration of the item or as soon as the Interest becomes apparent and if not previously included on their Register of Interests to notify the Monitoring Officer within 28 days. Members and Officers should make their declaration by stating:
    - a) the item they have the Interest in
    - b) whether it is a Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Registrable or Ordinary Interest

- c) the nature of the Interest
- d) if it is an Ordinary Interest whether they intend to leave the room for the discussion and vote
- e) if it is a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest or Other Registrable Interest, and therefore must leave the room for the discussion and vote, whether they will be exercising their right to speak on this matter under Public Question Time
- 3. To approve the Minutes of the Planning and Licensing Committee Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2023
- 4. Adjournment for public question time and statements
- 5. To consider Planning Applications on Lists dated 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> June, and 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023
- 6. To ratify any Pavement Licence application representations submitted by the Town Clerk in accordance with the Delegated Authority and process
- 7. To consider Premises Licence Applications including any variations and any other Licence Applications
- 8. To review the Town Council's CIL Spending List Min. 125 refers
- 9. To receive details of proposed locations for Electric Vehicle Charging Points in Bognor Regis and to agree any response to the public consultation
- 10. To consider and agree any response to the Govia Thameslink Railway Public Consultation in relation to the proposed closure of ticket offices
- 11. Arun District Council Call for Sites 2023
- 12. Correspondence

# THERE IS A LIFT AVAILABLE AT THE TOWN HALL FOR ACCESS TO THE COUNCIL CHAMBER IF REQUIRED



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# MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND LICENSING COMMITTEE MEETING

# HELD ON TUESDAY 27th JUNE 2023

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs. J. Warr (Chairman), Cllrs: J. Barrett, Miss. C. Needs, P. Ralph, P. Woodall and Mrs. G. Yeates

# **IN ATTENDANCE:** Mrs. R. Vervecken (Civic & Office Manager)

# The Meeting opened at 4.00pm

# 20. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chairman welcomed all those present. The Council's opening statement was read, and particular attention was drawn to the evacuation procedure in the event of the fire alarm sounding and the Council's Standing Orders relating to public question time.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. Goodheart who was on annual leave, Cllr. Waterhouse who was unwell and the Committee Clerk who was also on annual leave.

# 21. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Chairman addressed those Members present to ask if they wished to confirm any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Registrable and/or Ordinary Interests that they may have in relation to items on this Agenda.

As noted on the Agenda, Members and Officers should make their declaration by stating:

- a) the item they have the Interest in
- b) whether it is a Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Registrable or Ordinary Interest
- c) the nature of the Interest
- d) if it is an Ordinary Interest whether they intend to temporarily leave the meeting for the discussion and vote
- e) if it is a Disclosable Pecuniary or Other Registrable Interest, and therefore must temporarily leave the meeting for the discussion and vote, whether they will be exercising their right to speak on this matter under Public Question Time.

They then need to re-declare their Interest and the nature of the Interest at the commencement of the item or when the Interest becomes apparent.

They should request that it be recorded in the Minutes that they will leave the meeting and will neither take part in discussion, nor vote on the item.

As per the Agenda, it is each Member's own responsibility to notify the Monitoring Officer of all Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Registrable or Ordinary Interests notifiable under the Council's Code of Conduct, not already recorded on their Register of Interests Form, within 28 days.

The Chairman reminded Members to declare their Interests as any arise or again at the relative point in the meeting if they have already.

#### There were no declarations of Interest

#### 22. <u>TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND LICENSING</u> <u>COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 6<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2023</u>

The Committee **RESOLVED** to **AGREE** and approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2023 as an accurate record of the proceedings and the Chairman signed them.

#### 23. ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC QUESTION TIME AND STATEMENTS

There were no members of the public seated in the public gallery, therefore, the meeting was not adjourned.

#### 24. <u>TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS ON LISTS DATED 2<sup>nd</sup>,</u> <u>9<sup>th</sup> AND 16<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2023</u>

- **24.1** The Committee noted that there were no views from other Town Councillors to report.
- **24.2** The Committee noted that no representations had been received from members of the public, or neighbouring parishes, in respect of these applications.
- **24.3** The Committee, having considered the applications, **RESOLVED** that its representations be forwarded to ADC (Appended to these Minutes as **Appendix 1**).

# 25. <u>TO RATIFY ANY PAVEMENT LICENCE APPLICATION</u> <u>REPRESENTATIONS SUBMITTED BY THE TOWN CLERK IN</u> <u>ACCORDANCE WITH THE DELEGATED AUTHORITY AND PROCESS</u>

There were no Pavement Licence application representations to be ratified.

#### 26. <u>TO CONSIDER PREMISES LICENCE APPLICATIONS INCLUDING ANY</u> VARIATIONS AND ANY OTHER LICENCE APPLICATIONS

There were no Premises Licence applications to be considered.

# 27. <u>TO CONSIDER ANY RESPONSE TO ADC'S CONSULTATION IN</u> <u>RELATION TO DRAFT LOCAL ORDERS</u>

Members discussed ADC's Draft Local Development Orders which seek to provide limited permitted development rights to small scale development within the Butlin's Complex and the University of Chichester Campus. The Local Development Order is proposed to last for a period of 3 years.

Having considered the proposals, Members **AGREED** to raise **NO OBJECTION**.

# 28. <u>TO RECEIVE DETAILS OF PLANNING APPLICATION WSCC/020/23</u> (EDWARD BRYANT JUNIOR AND INFANTS SCHOOL, LONDON ROAD, BOGNOR REGIS) AND TO AGREE ANY COMMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE

The Assistant Clerk's report, and related appendix, was **NOTED**.

Having considered planning application WSCC/020/23, in relation to Edward Bryant School and the proposal to create a Specialist Support Centre comprising two single storey extensions, the refurbishment and repurposing of a classroom and the library within the existing building, and some additional parking, paths and hard play area, Members **AGREED** to submit **NO OBJECTION** in response to this planning application.

# 29. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>

The Committee **NOTED** receipt of correspondence previously circulated.

#### The Meeting closed at 4.35pm

#### PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND LICENSING COMMITTEE TO BE HELD ON 27<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2023 (AS ADVERTISED BY ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL ON LISTS DATED 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> AND 16<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2023)

<u>BR/111/23/PL</u>	Alterations to the ground floor layout to create a new	NO OBJECTION
<u>9 Annandale Avenue</u>	side entrance, replacement of the existing front door	
Bognor Regis	with a window, removal of existing chimney to the rear	
PO21 2ES	of the property and removal of small window on the	
	2nd floor (N E Elevation)	
BR/114/23/PL	Change of use from B2 (General Industrial) and B8	<b>OBJECTION</b> on the grounds of
Unit 7 Durban Road Business	(Storage & Distribution) to Class E (Commercial,	Economic Impact. Members
Centre	Business and Service). This application is in CIL Zone	concurred with concerns raised by
Durban Road	4 (zero rated) as other development	ADC's Economic Development
Bognor Regis		response, citing that with few
PO22		industrial spaces available and
		plenty of retail premises in more
		traditional retail locations, this
		business would be better suited
		using a retail space instead.
		Members also felt this business
		would be more accessible and
		potentially have higher footfall,
		should it be within a more central
		shopping location, within the Town.
		It was questioned whether there
		would be extra parking demand on
		the industrial site, if this application
		were approved, with concern also
		expressed over the long opening
		hours, stated on the application
		form.

BR/117/23/PL <u>19 High Street</u> Bognor Regis PO21 1RJ	Erection of single storey rear extension to first floor	NO OBJECTION
BR/124/23/HH 19 Sandymount Close Bognor Regis PO22 9EL	Demolition of garage and conservatory. Single storey rear and side extension. Loft conversion. Raised deck to rear with screening	
BR/126/23/CLE <u>1b Ground Floor Rear Flat</u> 148 Aldwick Road Bognor Regis PO21 2PA	Lawful development certificate for existing use as a 1 bedroom flat	NO OBJECTION
BR/127/23/HH 52 Corbishley Road Bognor Regis PO22 9HS	Ground floor rear extension	NO OBJECTION
BR/133/23/CLE 60 Ockley Road Bognor Regis PO21 2HR	Lawful development certificate for existing use as a HMO property comprising of 5 bedsits with shared communal areas for a maximum of 8 people and a maximum of 5 households	NO OBJECTION
BR/134/23/T Eagle House, Norfolk Close Bognor Regis PO21 2DJ	Various works to various trees	<b>NO OBJECTION</b> subject to the approval of the ADC Arboriculturist. It is recommended, if approved, that no work should be carried out if any birds or bats are nesting.

#### PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND LICENSING COMMITTEE TO BE HELD ON 18<sup>th</sup> JULY 2023 (AS ADVERTISED BY ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL ON LISTS DATED 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> JUNE, AND 7<sup>th</sup> JULY 2023)

BR/105/23/HH 37 Stratton Court Bognor Regis PO22 8DP	Replace front bedroom window with door and build ramp for wheelchair access	Comment by 20-JUL-23
BR/115/23/PL 105 Victoria Drive Bognor Regis PO21 2DZ	Demolition of existing garages and construction of an attached two storey dwelling. This application is in CIL Zone 4 and is CIL Liable as new dwelling	Comment by 20-JUL-23
BR/129/23/PL <u>2 Wellington Road</u> Bognor Regis PO21 2RR	Change of Use to house in multiple occupation for up to 10 persons	Comment by 27-JUL-23
BR/131/23/PL Charlotte House 71 Upper Bognor Road Bognor Regis PO21 1HR	Amendments to design approved for two storey extension to existing building to form office and warden accommodation under BR/252/21/PL. This application affects the setting of a Listed Building and may affect the character and appearance of the Upper Bognor Road and Mead Lane Conservation Area	Comment by 03-AUG-23
BR/142/23/PL Regis Centre and adjoining land Belmont Street Bognor Regis PO21 1BL	Application under Regulation 3 of the Town & Country Planning Act (General Regulations) 1992 for partial demolition of existing theatre and erection of extension to provide new studio/performance space, cafe/bar/restaurant, foyer, back of house space, outside seating area, new and replacement landscaping and new plant on roof space. This	Comment by 03-AUG-23

	application may affect the setting of listed buildings and is in CIL Zone 4 (Zero Rated) as other development	
BR/145/23/S73 University Of Chichester Upper Bognor Road Bognor Regis PO21 1HR	Variation of conditions 2 and 6 imposed under BR/72/22/PL (which previously varied condition 2 of BR/311/18/PL) relating to amendments to floor plans, minor changes to the building footprint and elevations, improvements to fire escape routes, changes to the approved materials and an amendment to the occupancy condition. There is no change to the overall height or the number of proposed student beds	Comment by 03-AUG-23

#### AGENDA ITEM 6 - TO RATIFY ANY PAVEMENT LICENCE APPLICATION REPRESENTATIONS SUBMITTED BY THE TOWN CLERK IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DELEGATED AUTHORITY AND PROCESS

#### **REPORT BY THE ASSISTANT CLERK**

#### FOR DECISION

A Pavement Licence application was made to Arun District Council, under the Business and Planning Act 2020, by Rocks Bar and Restaurant, 41-43 High Street, Bognor Regis. The application requested permission for 4 small bistro tables with 16 small garden style chairs with green padding on seats, enclosed by green canvas barriers on removable stainless-steel posts, to be placed on the pavement directly outside the premises.

As is usual with Pavement Licence applications, due to the short turnaround time allowed to respond to the Licensing Authority, Members of the Planning and Licensing Committee were canvassed for their opinion via email. The following corresponding comments were submitted to Arun District Council by the Town Clerk under their Delegated Authority, in relation to Pavement Licence Application No. 118349 (Rocks Bar and Restaurant): -

"NO OBJECTION however Members would like ADC to advise the applicant, they should ensure visible markings are in place to signify where the ends of the barriers should be, to prevent these from being moved outward, and encroaching further onto the footpath. The applicant should also ensure any protruding feet/bases, which may cause a trip hazard, are clearly highlighted at all times."

#### DECISION

Members are invited to **RATIFY** decisions made under Delegated Authority including the response made to Pavement Licence Application No. 118349 in relation to Rocks Bar and Restaurant, 41-43 High Street, Bognor Regis.

#### AGENDA ITEM 8 - TO REVIEW THE TOWN COUNCIL'S CIL SPENDING LIST - MIN. 125 REFERS

#### **REPORT BY THE ASSISTANT CLERK**

#### FOR DECISION

As reported at the Planning and Licensing Committee Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> April 2023, the Town Council's CIL Spending List is due to be reviewed – Min. 125 refers.

The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a charge that local authorities can set on new developments in their area. Its purpose is to raise funds for infrastructure needs in the area to support growth. The legislation which sets out how CIL is spent requires that a portion of the CIL income raised from development, within a charging authority area, is paid to the Town and Parish Council where the development has taken place. This is referred to as Neighbourhood CIL.

Neighbourhood CIL amounts will depend on: - the amount of development that has been granted and commenced in the local council area (CIL payment is only due upon commencement of the development); if all/any part of that development is granted exemption of relief from some/all of the CIL charge; if the local council has a 'made' Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) in place or not. Bognor Regis Town Council has a 'made' <u>Neighbourhood Development</u> <u>Plan</u> and is therefore eligible to receive a 25% uncapped portion of CIL receipts from development in the area.

CIL monies must be spent on: - providing, replacing, improving, operating or maintaining infrastructure that supports development in the area; or anything else concerned with addressing the demands that development places on the area. Infrastructure includes: - roads and other transport facilities; flood defences; schools and other education facilities; sporting and recreational facilities; open spaces; green infrastructure (may include tree or hedgerow planting).

Since the first spending List (attached as **Appendix 1**) was compiled in April 2021, the Town Council has received the following CIL receipt payments: -

- April 2020 = £0
- October  $2020 = \pounds 0$
- April 2021 = £725
- October  $2021 = \pounds 0$
- April 2022 = £0
- October 2022 = £1,209.38
- April 2023 = £2,418.76

CIL spending should be carried out by the Town Council within five years of receipt. Where money is not used to support development of the area within five years of receipt, or is used for other purposes, the regulations give charging authorities the power to recover those funds. This is to ensure that money is spent, and spent effectively, to benefit the local community.

To date, Bognor Regis Town Council has allocated £685.99 of the CIL monies received towards a bin on Victoria Drive, taking the balance of available CIL monies to £3,667.15. There remains £39.01 of the CIL receipt received in April 2021 to be spent by no later than April 2026, whilst the remaining funds of £3,628.14 are available until at least October 2027.

With a clearer understanding of the CIL receipts that the Town Council can expect, Members may wish to review the projects on the current Spending List and suggest any changes.

#### DECISION

Members are invited to review the current CIL Spending List and **AGREE** any changes.

#### Bognor Regis Town Council Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Spending List

CIL receipts are to be spent by local councils within five years of receipt and it must be spent on (see Regulation 59C of the CIL Regulations 2010 as amended):

- providing, replacing, improving, operating or maintaining infrastructure that supports development in the area; or
- anything else concerned with addressing the demands that development places on the area

Infrastructure includes: - Roads and other transport facilities; Flood defences; Schools and other education facilities; Sporting and recreational facilities (for example upgrades to play equipment); Open spaces; Green Infrastructure (may include tree or hedgerow planting)

Check whether proposed projects align with the District Council's intentions for spending its CIL receipts. Communication and consultation on CIL spending and infrastructure lists with service providers is therefore strongly advisable to ensure that the Council and Local Councils spend CIL in the most effective way. The Council would welcome requests to review local council CIL spending plans. Please contact CIL@arun.gov.uk to arrange to discuss this matter.

Last Reviewed: April 2021 – this document will be reviewed, on a 'light touch' basis, approximately every 6 months.						
In preparing this list, it will	How will the project	Scheme costs – what	Delivery timescales	Are there any	Will your project	
be important to consider	address the impacts	will the project cost	and delivery partners	delivery partners	align with service	
the following points:	of development	be? Is it a	– what are the	that could assist or	providers CIL	
	taking place in the	manageable cost, to	timescales for	jointly fund the	investment plans?	
	area (think about the	be covered by CIL	delivering the project?	project?		
	potential impacts	receipts within five				
	from your	years of receipt?				
	Neighbourhood					
	Development Plan					
	(NDP) for example)?					
Beach Access	The adopted Bognor	It is anticipated that	With beach access in	The Town Council	While ADC's	
	Regis Neighbourhood	project costs will be	Bognor Regis already a	request that Arun	consultation event	
	Development Plan sets	well in excess of the	project being	District Council	takes place in early	
	out our Community	Town Council's	investigated by Arun	fully fund the	2021, at the time of	
	Priority Projects (page	budget, including CIL	District Council, it is	Beach Access	preparing this initial	
	75). Priority Project 2:	receipts within five	hoped that the project	Project in Bognor	spending list, it is as	
	Access for all to sandy	years of receipt.	commencement and	Regis.	yet unknown	
	foreshore refers to		delivery will occur		whether the Town	
	"providing access to				Council's project will	

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	the sandy foreshore	Whilst BRTC do not	within the lifespan of	National Lottery	align with service
	by building four small	have information	ADC's 2022-2025 IIP.	Community Fund?	providers CIL
	walkways/ramps	pertaining to the full			investment plans.
	linking the promenade	cost of this scheme, at			
	to the sandy foreshore	the time of creating			
	and rock pools in	this list, it is			
	support of	understood that ADC			
	Neighbourhood	may have this			
	Development Plan	information available			
	Vision, Objectives and	as a result of their			
	Policies".	own investigations			
		into delivering a			
		similar scheme in			
		achieving beach			
		access for Bognor			
		Regis .			
Bognor Regis Town Council	The adopted Bognor	Scheme costs, as yet,	Delivery timescales	Visit Britain;	While ADC's
Information Boards,	Regis Neighbourhood	unknown but to be	currently unknown	Tourist Board;	consultation event
located around the local	Development Plan sets	investigated and	until further	WSCC;	takes place in early
area e.g. Railway Station	out our Community	included in the next	investigation has been	National Rail;	2021, at the time of
	Priority Projects (page	review of this	carried out and an	Butlin's;	preparing this initial
	75). Priority Project 3:	spending list. It is	update provided in the	Heritage Board;	spending list, it is as
	Station arrival	anticipated that	next review of this	BR BID;	yet unknown
	experience refers to	delivering this scheme	spending list.	Local attraction	whether the Town
	"working in	may be a manageable		providers?	Council's project will
	partnership with	cost for BRTC, to be			align with service
	Network Rail to	covered by CIL			providers CIL
	introduce a step	receipts within five			investment plans
	change in the arrival	years of receipt.			
	experience currently				
	provided by the				
	station and station				
	surrounds in support				
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Plant a tree-lined avenue entrance into Bognor Regis	of Neighbourhood Development Plan Vision, Objectives and Policies". The adopted Bognor Regis Neighbourhood Development Plan sets out our Community Priority Projects (page 75). Priority Project 4: Public realm improvements: Esplanade, Gloucester Road, Gateways refers to "delivering a coordinated programme of public realm improvements along the esplanade, Gloucester Road, key gateways and identified cycle paths in support of Neighbourhood Development Plan	Estimated to be £5k - £6k to cover the purchase price of tress/shrubs, labour and sundries. It is anticipated that delivering this scheme may be a manageable cost for BRTC, to be part-funded by CIL receipts within five years of receipt.	Delivery timescales currently unknown until further investigation has been carried out and an update provided in the next review of this spending list.	ADC Parks; WSCC; BRTC In Bloom; Tree Wardens; BR Community Gardeners; National Trust; Biffa Award; Spacehive; Greenspace; local business sponsors; Neighbouring Parish Councils?	While ADC's consultation event takes place in early 2021, at the time of preparing this initial spending list, it is as yet unknown whether the Town Council's project will align with service providers CIL investment plans
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Support shared space by the Picturedrome cinema/Railway Station – remodel the area by removing the	The adopted Bognor Regis Neighbourhood Development Plan sets out our Community Priority Projects (page	Scheme costs, as yet, unknown but to be investigated and included in the next review of this	Delivery timescales currently unknown until further investigation has been carried out and an	WSCC; ADC; National Rail; National Lottery Community Fund	While ADC's consultation event takes place in early 2021, at the time of preparing this initial
lights/planters and form	75). Priority Project 3:	spending list. It is	update provided in the	, Award;	spending list, it is as

activity space/square	Station arrival	anticipated that	next review of this	Spacehive;	yet unknown
outside of the Station	experience refers to	delivering this scheme	spending list.	SUEZ Communities	whether the Town
	"working in	may be a manageable		Trust?	Council's project will
	partnership with	cost for BRTC, to be			align with service
	Network Rail to	covered by CIL			providers CIL
	introduce a step	receipts within five			investment plans
	change in the arrival	years of receipt.			
	experience currently				
	provided by the				
	station and station				
	surrounds in support				
	of Neighbourhood				
	Development Plan				
	Vision, Objectives and				
	Policies".				
Electric charging points for	Bognor Regis Town	Scheme costs, as yet,	Delivery timescales	WSCC;	While ADC's
cars (possibly in Aldwick	Council declared itself	unknown but to be	currently unknown	ADC;	consultation event
Road area)	a Council of Climate	investigated and	until further	Electric Car	takes place in early
	Emergency on 4 <sup>th</sup>	included in the next	investigation has been	Chargers UK;	2021, at the time of
	November 2019.	review of this	carried out and an	EDF;	preparing this initial
		spending list. It is	update provided in the	Energy Saving	spending list, it is as
		anticipated that	next review of this	Trust;	yet unknown
		delivering this scheme	spending list.	DEFRA Air Quality	whether the Town
		may be a manageable		Grant Programme;	Council's project will
		cost for BRTC, to be		On-Street	align with service
		covered by CIL		Residential	providers CIL
		receipts within five		Charging Point	investment plans
		years of receipt.		Scheme?	
Secure cycle racks/stands	The adopted Bognor	Scheme costs, as yet,	Delivery timescales	SUEZ Communities	While ADC's
	Regis Neighbourhood	unknown but to be	currently unknown	Trust;	consultation event
	Development Plan sets	investigated and	until further	WSCC;	takes place in early
	out our Community	included in the next	investigation has been	ADC;	2021, at the time of
	Priority Projects (page	review of this	carried out and an	BR BID;	preparing this initial

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	75). Priority Project 4:	spending list. It is	update provided in the	Biffa Grants;	spending list, it is as
	Public realm	anticipated that	next review of this	Highways England?	yet unknown
	improvements:	delivering this scheme	spending list.		whether the Town
	Esplanade, Gloucester	may be a manageable			Council's project will
	Road, Gateways refers	cost for BRTC, to be			align with service
	to "delivering a	covered by CIL			providers CIL
	coordinated	receipts within five			investment plans
	programme of public	years of receipt.			
	realm improvements	Purchase price of			
	along the esplanade,	single standard bike			
	Gloucester Road, key	loops start from			
	gateways and	approx. £160 each			
	identified cycle paths	(excl. VAT).			
	in support of				
	Neighbourhood				
	Development Plan				
	vision, Objectives and				
	policies".				
'Boris bike' type scheme	The adopted Bognor	Scheme costs, as yet,	Delivery timescales	SUEZ Communities	While ADC's
	Regis Neighbourhood	unknown but to be	currently unknown	Trust;	consultation event
	Development Plan sets	investigated and	until further	People's Postcode	takes place in early
	out our Community	included in the next	investigation has been	Lottery Trust;	2021, at the time of
	Priority Projects (page	review of this	carried out and an	The Big Lottery;	preparing this initial
	75). Priority Project 4:	spending list. It is	update provided in the	WSCC;	spending list, it is as
	Public realm	anticipated that	next review of this	ADC Leisure?	yet unknown
	improvements:	delivering this scheme	spending list.		whether the Town
	Esplanade, Gloucester	may be a manageable	Estimated delivery		Council's project will
	Road, Gateways refers	cost for BRTC, to be	time 1 – 2 years.		align with service
	to "delivering a	covered by CIL			providers CIL
	coordinated	receipts within five			investment plans
	programme of public	years of receipt.			
	realm improvements	Estimated capital cost			
	along the esplanade,	of £1,700 per bike.			
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	Gloucester Road, key gateways and identified cycle paths in support of Neighbourhood Development Plan vision, Objectives and policies".				
Update the brown Tourist Signs	The adopted Bognor Regis Neighbourhood Development Plan sets out our Community Priority Projects (page 75). Priority Project 3: Station arrival experience refers to "working in partnership with Network Rail to introduce a step change in the arrival experience currently provided by the station and station surrounds in support of Neighbourhood Development Plan Vision, Objectives and Policies".	Scheme costs, as yet, unknown but to be investigated and included in the next review of this spending list. It is anticipated that delivering this scheme may be a manageable cost for BRTC, to be covered by CIL receipts within five years of receipt.	Delivery timescales currently unknown until further investigation has been carried out and an update provided in the next review of this spending list.	WSCC; ADC; Visit Britain; Tourist Board; Local attraction providers?	While ADC's consultation event takes place in early 2021, at the time of preparing this initial spending list, it is as yet unknown whether the Town Council's project will align with service providers CIL investment plans

#### AGENDA ITEM 9 - TO RECEIVE DETAILS OF PROPOSED LOCATIONS FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING POINTS IN BOGNOR REGIS AND TO AGREE ANY RESPONSE TO THE PUBLIC CONSULTATION

#### **REPORT BY THE ASSISTANT CLERK**

#### FOR DECISION

Following completion of the first phase of new public electric vehicle (EV) chargepoints in West Sussex, the County Council is seeking residents' feedback regarding the locations of the second phase.

The County Council is planning the installation and maintenance of thousands of chargepoints across the county over the next decade at zero cost to councils. Over 170 chargepoints have already been installed, with works on an additional 250 chargepoints in progress on residential streets and in car parks.

Having listened to feedback from the first phase of installations, in future six chargepoints are being proposed for each new location. However, only two of the six parking bays in each location will be reserved solely for EVs, until demand increases. The other four bays will be available for all residents to use, in an approach that will be continually reviewed.

Residents are now being asked for their comments on the proposed locations for phase two of the installations. Feedback is requested by 7<sup>th</sup> August 2023, after which the installations will be programmed for delivery from August onwards.

Details of the sites can be viewed on Connected Kerb's website at: <u>www.connectedkerb.com/westsussexresidents</u>. In Bognor Regis, the proposed locations are in Aldwick Road, Crescent Road, Hawthorn Road, Linden Road, Lyon Street, Southdown Road, The Esplanade, Victoria Road and Waterloo Square.

Residents can let the project team know their views and ask any questions by visiting: <u>https://yourvoice.westsussex.gov.uk/ev-chargepoints</u>.

# DECISION

Members are invited to **AGREE** any comments to be submitted in response to the public consultation in relation to the proposed locations for electric vehicle charging points in Bognor Regis.

#### AGENDA ITEM 10 - TO CONSIDER AND AGREE ANY RESPONSE TO THE GOVIA THAMESLINK RAILWAY PUBLIC CONSULTATION IN RELATION TO THE PROPOSED CLOSURE OF TICKET OFFICES

#### **REPORT BY THE ASSISTANT CLERK**

#### FOR DECISION

Independent passenger watchdogs London TravelWatch and Transport Focus have started public consultations on behalf of GTR and other rail operators across the country, inviting feedback on proposals to move ticket office staff from behind traditional ticket offices windows, which would close, onto station concourses making them more visible and accessible to customers.

The proposed changes reflect that the way customers buy tickets has changed significantly in recent years, with a reported reduction in ticket office use. Apparently, 9 out of 10 tickets are now purchased outside of traditional ticket offices, either online or through digital via smart devices or contactless, with ticket machines also able to sell the vast majority of ticket types.

The consultation documents acknowledge the valuable role that station staff play in helping customers, which the proposals aim to enhance. In-person assistance would still be available to help customers use machines and advise on the best value-for-money fares.

No stations that have staff today would become unstaffed, and station opening hours would remain the same. However, the hours when ticketing assistance would be available might change. A comparison of current and proposed hours when ticketing assistance would be available can be viewed on GTR's websites (many would remain similar or would offer longer hours): -

<u>Southern - Public consultation</u> <u>Gatwick Express - Public consultation</u> <u>Great Northern - Public consultation</u> <u>Thameslink - Public consultation</u>

The safety of customers and security of stations remains an absolute priority and under the proposed model, staff would be available in the main station, providing a more visible presence to help deter anti-social behaviour, with continued robust support from teams of rail enforcement officers and the British Transport Police. If the proposals go ahead, all the accessibility assistance currently provided would remain and continue to be in line with the Accessible Travel Policy (ATP).

Alongside the public consultations, train operators will consult with union representatives of station colleagues.

On the understanding that stations are a key part of the local community, anyone with an interest - be it stakeholders, passenger groups, and customers – are

being encouraged to review the proposals for their area and provide feedback to the consultation.

The consultation runs from 5<sup>th</sup> July until 26<sup>th</sup> July 2023. Responses must be submitted via the main consultation.

At the Council Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2023, during public question time and statements, Members were informed of an email received from a member of the public who had written to the Town Council in relation to the proposal to close ticket offices, including the one at Bognor Regis Railway Station.

The member of the public is of the opinion that these closures will restrict passengers' access to the best value tickets, worsen passenger service, limit access to disabled, elderly and vulnerable rail passengers, affect safety and security to staff and passengers and lead to the widespread de-staffing of the country's railway stations. The email cited that Bognor Regis has a large elderly population, many of whom the member of the public believes do not have access to smart phones and the ability to buy their tickets online. The email went on to say that there is also a large population of foreign nationals who rely on the ticket office staff at the station to sell them the best tickets for their journey as they sometimes may not understand how to use the ticket vending machines.

In closing, the member of the public declares that this attack on the nations railways has nothing to do with modernisation but everything to do with cutting costs and increasing profits for shareholders. It is requested that Bognor Regis Town Council condemns these cuts and forwards a letter to Nick Gibb MP requesting that he oppose the closure of all ticket offices in his constituency.

As the matter of "Making observations on transportation consultations" falls within the Terms of Reference of the Planning and Licensing Committee (see clause 24.10) any response to the Govia Thameslink Railway public consultation, and to the email received from the member of the public, is to be agreed by Members of the Planning and Licensing Committee.

#### DECISION

Members are invited to **AGREE** any next steps.

# AGENDA ITEM 11 - ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL CALL FOR SITES 2023

# **REPORT BY THE ASSISTANT CLERK**

#### FOR NOTING

Arun District Council (ADC) is undertaking a new 'Call for Sites' process. On 8<sup>th</sup> June 2023, ADC's Planning Policy Committee agreed to recommend to Full Council (19<sup>th</sup> July) that the pause be lifted and it is therefore, anticipated that plan making will resume.

Nevertheless, the Council has an annual call for sites which it can use to gain intelligence about land availability and assess its suitability for a range of future development and infrastructure needs which can inform plan making when this resumes.

To help this process, ADC are undertaking an updated 'Call for Sites' to assess the amount of potential land availability for the District to meet future needs. The 'Call for Sites' is the opportunity for individuals, organisations, community groups, landowners or developers to suggest sites within the District for development e.g. up to 20 to 30 years. The site suggestions received by ADC, by no later than 26<sup>th</sup> July 2023, will be assessed and may be considered if appropriate, for future plan making.

ADC are interested in receiving submissions for land (including any previously developed land and existing HELAA Sites) that may have the potential for development for:

- Housing (sites of 5 or more additional new dwellings)
- Economic Development (sites of 0.25 hectares or above or able to provide 500 sqm or above of additional floor space)
- Gypsy & Traveller Sites
- Custom & Self-Build Housing
- Leisure and Tourism
- Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG)
- Blue/Green Infrastructure (e.g., rewilding; natural flood mitigation; renewable and decentralised energy)

Further information regarding the 'Call for Sites' process and how to submit a site can be found on the Council's website and a site can be submitted by using the Call for Sites E-Form: <u>https://www.arun.gov.uk/helaa-brownfield-land-self-build-registers</u>.

# DECISION

Members are invited to **NOTE** the Arun District Council Call for Sites 2023.

# AGENDA ITEM 12 - CORRESPONDENCE

#### REPORT BY THE ASSISTANT CLERK

# FOR INFORMATION

- 1. WSCC B2259 Felpham Way, Bognor Regis Ladybrook Bridge Refurbishment.
- 2. CPRE Your latest Sussex-protecting round-up, June 2023.
- 3. WSCC Road Closure date notification Chichester Road Roundabout, Bognor Regis - Carriageway Resurfacing – 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023.
- 4. WSCC News Release: Investing in Better Roads.
- 5. ADC Travellers Update, 6<sup>th</sup> July 2023.