

PRESS RELEASE

Seaford Town Council is currently negotiating with Lewes District Council regarding the taking over of the Crypt gallery and the ex-Citizens Advice Bureau. The Town Council is investigating how this will benefit the residents of Seaford and establishing the financial costs of providing the service.

A number of local organisations have made suggestions about the development of the Crypt and the Town Council is keen to hear from local organisations, clubs or societies and residents of Seaford who have views regarding the use of the Crypt and the benefits it would bring to the town.

The Crypt is the only art and culture area available in the town as well as being an important historic building. The Town Council is very keen to involve the local community in planning the future of the Crypt and would like to develop its use as a community cultural or art centre and to also involve the younger people of Seaford.

Taking over the whole of the ground floor of the premises will give the Crypt an important shop front onto Church Street which will increase the public's awareness of the Crypt and increase its use.

This provides a great opportunity for the residents of Seaford to put their views forward on the future of this historic building.

Councillor Jon Freeman, Leader of Seaford Town Council, said "This is an exciting opportunity for the people of Seaford to come forward with ideas which can galvanise the use of the Crypt as a community resource. There are many possibilities which can encourage the Crypt's use to be a focal point for a wide section of the community across different interests and age groups. It is time for Seaford people to have their say on the Crypt's future thus preserving it as a going concern and enriching peoples' enjoyment of it. Come on now, it is your chance to have your say in how Seaford's resources should be used."

Anyone who would like to make their views known or organisation that has suggestions for its future use should write to

The Town Clerk, Seaford Town Council, 37 Church Street, Seaford, BN25 1HG or email on admin@seafordtowncouncil.gov.uk

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