



Seaford Town Council

Minutes

Extraordinary Full Council Meeting

Tuesday 30 June 2026

Held at Cross Way Church, Clinton Place, Seaford, BN25 1NP at 7.00pm

Present:

Councillors L Stirton, (Mayor) and R Buchanan (Deputy Mayor)

Councillors L Boorman, C Bristow, S Dubas, S Dunn, O Honeyman, R Honeyman, J Lord, S Markwell, O Matthews, I Taylor, L Wallraven and M Wearmouth

Darryl Keech, Deputy Town Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer

Peter Cousin, Head of Place

George Raeburn, Senior Committee Clerk

Becky Terry, Governance & Corporate Officer

There were four members of the public attendance

C37/06/26 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S Adeniji, F Hoareau, J Meek, G Rutland, and R Stirton.

The reasons for absence were approved as follows: Councillors S Adeniji, F Hoareau and J Meek (work commitments) and R Stirton (personal commitments)

Councillor S Ali was unaccounted for.

C38/06/26 Disclosure of Interests

In relation to agenda item 5, Councillor L Boorman declared that they are the outside body representative to Seaford Town Football Club but had not yet attended any meetings until this matter had been determined by the Town Council.

C39/06/26 Public Participation

Speaker	Statement
<i>Resident A</i>	<i>Resident A welcomed a more cohesive approach to the discussions of items for this agenda. Raised that they did have some concerns regarding the advertising signs spoiling the view and that this could set a precedent. Welcomed a conclusion being reached the area being made more accessible during matches.</i>

Town Council Response	Thanked the resident for their contribution.
<i>Resident B</i>	<i>Resident B noted that improved communication has made things a lot better. With Seaford Town Council's support, Resident B is confident that matters can be resolved. Raised concerns about the current pitch conditions. Thanked everyone for their time and for all the people coming together. Expressed that they are hopeful that the issues between all parties will be finalised and resolved. Noted that there is currently advertising on other open spaces in Seaford</i>
Town Council Response	Thanked the resident for their contribution.

C40/06/26 Petitions

There were no petitions presented.

C41/06/26 Seaford Town Football Club – Updated Gate and Advert Proposals, and New Proposals Relating to a Spectator Stand and Clubhouse External Alterations at The Crouch

Full Council considered report 30/26 presenting the updated proposals in relation to Seaford Town Football Club, following consultation with the Club.

Members thanked everyone for their work on these matters.

In response to queries from members, officers confirmed that: adverts on the spectator stand and clubhouse would be permanent; the football club had not specifically requested to display adverts on the pitch side barrier but officers were seeking approval should temporary adverts be requested; any adverts displayed will be in accordance with the lease and advertising and planning consent; advertising consent has been granted by Lewes District Council but the outcome of the spectator stand planning application is yet to be confirmed; proposals meet the requirements of Martyn's Law with regards to safe exit from the site in an emergency; officers will speak to Mercread Youth Centre regarding their access requirements, and; officers will speak to the football club to ensure that they have sufficient storage with the loss of the garage.

C41.1 It was **RESOLVED** to **NOTE** the contents of the report.

C41.2 It was **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE IN PRINCIPLE** the proposed change in display of adverts, as per section 3 of report 30/26, subject to Seaford Town Football Club obtaining the necessary advertising consents.

C41.3 It was **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the proposed system for gate management at The Crouch during closed football matches, as per section 4 of report 30/26.

- C41.4** It was **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE IN PRINCIPLE** the change of use of the garage into an additional spectator stand and installation of an associated access path, subject to Seaford Town Football Club obtaining the necessary permissions closed football matches, as per section 4 of report 30/26.
- C41.5** It was **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE IN PRINCIPLE** the display of advertising on the new spectator stand, subject to Seaford Town Football Club obtaining the necessary advertising consents.
- C41.6** It was **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE IN PRINCIPLE** the creation of a raised standing area within the external covered area of the clubhouse.

C42/06/26 Replacement of Pitch Side Barrier at The Crouch

Full Council considered report 37/26 requesting approval of the required monies to fund the replacement of the pitch side barrier at The Crouch, split between utilising Community Infrastructure Levy funds and external funding.

In response to queries from members, officers confirmed that: external funding streams are being explored; the new pitch side barrier would be funded and owned by the Town Council; a Deed of Dedication may be required if external funding is obtained and that this will be separate from the Fields in Trust dedication being pursued for The Crouch, and; there are sufficient funds in the Community Infrastructure Levy monies held by the Town Council to cover the total cost of the barrier, if external funding cannot be obtained.

- C42.1** It was **RESOLVED** to **NOTE** the contents of the report.
- C42.2** It was **PROPOSED** to **APPROVE** up to £30,000 of Community Infrastructure Levy be spent on the replacement of the Crouch pitch side barrier, if additional monies are not met by external funding; the **MOTION** was **CARRIED**.
- C42.3** It was **RESOLVED** to **DELEGATE AUTHORITY** to the Town Clerk to enter into any required deed of dedication or similar commitment, that the fence will remain in place for up to 10 years and that the football pitch at The Crouch will remain available for use by community football.

The meeting closed at 8.01pm.

Councillor L Stirton
Mayor of Seaford