SEAHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Notice of PUBLIC RIGHTS and PUBLICATION OF UNAUDITED ANNUAL GOVERNANCE & ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN

The Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, and The Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/234)

1. Date of Announcement: 10th June 2021

2. Each year the Council's Annual Governance and Accountability Return needs to be reviewed by an external auditor appointed by Smaller Authorities' audit Appointments Ltd. The unaudited AGAR has been published with this notice. As it has yet to be reviewed by appointed auditor, it is subject to change as a result of that review.

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Commencing on Monday, 14th June 2021

Ending on Friday, 23rd July 2021

- 3. Local electors and their representatives also have:
 - the opportunity to guestion the auditor about the accounting records; and
 - the right to make an objection which concerns a matter in respect of which the appointed auditor could either make a public interest report or apply to the court for a declaration that an item of account is unlawful. Written notice of an objection must first be given to the auditor and a copy sent to the smaller authority.

The appointed auditor can be contacted at the address in Paragraph 4 below for this purpose between the above dates only.

4. The smaller authority's AGAR is subject o review by the appointed auditor under the provisions of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, the Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2015 and the National Audit Office' Code of Audit Practice. The appointed auditor is:

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5. This announcement is made by Judith Knight, Finance Officer