

## **Heritage Statement – Bognor Regis Town Council – Clock Face**

### **ASSESSMENT**

#### **1. Name & Address of the Site**

The Town Hall  
Clarence Road  
Bognor Regis  
P021 1LD

#### **2. List Description**

1929 built listed building, built for the purpose of Council Administration and business. Situated in the town centre of Bognor Regis.  
Now the property of Arun District Council.

#### **3. Proposed development**

To install a second clock face to the south facing side of the clock tower.

#### **4. Assessment of Setting/Surroundings**

As the clock tower is already in place with an existing north facing clock, there will be no impact on the surroundings or settings other than to enhance the building and widen the visibility of the clock to the public from the seafront esplanade.

### **INVOLVEMENT**

#### **5. Consultation**

Smith of Derby\* has assessed the installation and has confirmed that a second dial can be installed with minimum disruption. The new clock face can be controlled by the existing ICS Unit so no internal works are required.

\*Smith of Derby Ltd  
112 Alfreton Road  
Derby DE21 4AU

## DESIGN

### 6. Proposed Use

The installation of a second dial to the south facing side of the building will allow visibility of the clock to visitors on the seafront area.

### 7. Amount of Development

The only work that needs to be carried out is for the installation technicians to cut a hole in the clock tower to allow the proposed clock face to sit in the turret.

We have been advised this is a simple procedure and can be carried out within 1 day and will not involve alterations to any other part of the building. A small amount of scaffolding will be needed from the flat roof to the turret to facilitate access (see attached diagram).

This will not be at ground level so will not restrict or obstruct pedestrians or vehicles.

The clock face will then be connected to the existing ICS unit housed inside the clock tower.

### 8. Layout & Appearance

Photographs and drawings accompany this statement

### 9. Landscaping

Not Applicable

## ACCESS

### 10. Technical Advice

Not applicable

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| <b>11. Relevant Policies</b> |
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| <b>12. Accessibility</b> |
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| <b>13. Emergency Access</b> |
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## **HERITAGE STATEMENT**

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| <b>14. Setting</b> |
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| <p>The Town hall is situated within the town centre and is home to Bognor Regis Town Council and Arun District Council.<br/>The surrounding buildings are mainly residential.<br/>The Clock tower is a visible landmark.</p> |
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| <b>15. Significance</b> |
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The installation will significantly change the south facing view of the clock tower.  
It will enhance the whole appearance of the building by using the turret for the purpose it was intended for when first built.

#### 16. Development

Not Applicable

#### 17. Features

A second clock face will enhance the appearance of the Clock Turret and will make use of the tower for the purpose it was built for.  
The face that has been chosen is in keeping with the existing north facing clock face and sympathetic to the building itself.  
A copy of the proposed face is attached to this statement.

#### 18. Impact

Other than enhancement there will be no impact on the building or environment. It will have no detrimental effect on neighbouring residents or commercial businesses.  
It will however allow visibility of the time from the south facing side.

## HERITAGE STATEMENT.

An application has been submitted to Arun District Council for permission to add a 2<sup>nd</sup> clock face to the clock tower on the south facing side of the building. The clock tower was part of the original building that was erected in 1929 but it wasn't until 1999 that the first clock face was installed on the north facing side of the building.

The ICS unit that operates the existing clock is housed inside the clock tower and this unit will be capable of operating a second dial. This means it will not be necessary for any interior alterations or works to be carried out.

The proposed 4ft dial will match the existing clock face and is intended to enhance the appearance of the building.

Arun District Town Council are the owners of the Town Hall and as such the documentation relating to the ownership is housed with them. We have been unsuccessful in obtaining copies of any of the documentation which has limited our ability to provide background information. However we do know the clock tower itself is of a wooden structure making the installation process very simple and straightforward. The dimensions of the face will be marked out and a jigsaw will be used to remove the area where the face will sit. The whole process can be completed within a day