

Beach Hut Rent Review FAQ's

<u>QUESTIONS</u>	<u>ANSWERS</u>
1 I haven't got email or internet access how can I view the report?	<i>A hard copy is available for those who don't have internet access. Please phone Commercial Services who will either send a copy to you in the post or else you can arrange to collect from County Hall.</i>
2 My hut is not included in this review how does this affect me?	<i>Once a decision has been made about the standard huts the Council will proceed with reviewing the remaining sites</i>
3 I can't afford the new rent what should I do?	<i>You can either sell your hut or else remove it from site.</i>
4 Will the Council buy the hut from me?	<i>The Isle of Wight Council is not currently in a position to purchase your hut.</i>
5 Due to the level of increase can we let our hut out to cover the new amount?	<i>The lease provided will not be commercial, therefore sub-letting is not permissible</i>
6 I am not happy with the report what can I do?	<i>You can make your representation to Councillor Stuart Hutchinson by 31st May 2018.</i>
7 The letter mentions the licence not being assignable what does this mean?	<i>Not assignable means that you are not legally able to transfer the existing licence to another person. Albeit the Council has used its discretion and done so in the past. However, the new lease does allow for an assignment with IWC consent.</i>
8 The letter refers to an agreed colour scheme. At Appley and Puckpool we are able paint any colour. Does this mean we will have to repaint our huts?	<i>If an agreed colour scheme was implemented you would only need to do this when the hut needs repainting.</i>
9 Will I be informed of the outcome of the report?	<i>As soon as a decision has been made, each hut owner will be notified of the outcome.</i>
10 Why are we being charged a rent when we own the huts?	<i>The rent is a ground rent and not for the premises. The new rent only replaces what was previously referred to as the licence fee</i>
11 If the new leases and increased rents is agreed when will it be implemented?	<i>The new leases and rents will commence on 1st April 2019.</i>
12 Will I be able to amend the lease or is it a standard for all beach hut owners?	<i>The leases are standard so cannot be amended.</i>