

FOI number: **HBC\_FOI\_20200386**  
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Department: **Democratic Services**  
Title: **Virtual council meetings**  
Description: **Virtual Council meetings information**

**Request: (As Redacted sent by requestor)**

1.
  - a. Since March 23 2020, have you held any virtual meetings of your executive?
  - b. If the answer to a) is Yes, please state on what date the first meeting took place.
  - c. If the answer to a) is Yes, please state how many such meetings took place in total between March 23 and June 23.
2.
  - a. Since March 23, 2020, have you held any virtual meetings of the full council?
  - b. If the answer to a) is Yes, please state on what date the first meeting took place?
  - c. If the answer to a) is Yes, please state how many such meetings took place in total between March 23 and June 23.
3. Since March 23 2020, has the council made it possible for the public to participate in council meetings virtually? If Yes, please give a brief description.

**Response: (Response as Redacted sent by service)**

- 1a. Yes.
- 1b. 22 April 2020.
- 1c. Three.

- 2a. Yes.
- 2b. 20 May 2020.
- 2c. Two.

3. The public can participate, where the rules allow, by attending the meeting virtually or by submitting a written statement to be read out on their behalf or by submitting a recording to be played on their behalf.

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Thank you for your request.

Kind regards  
Information Services