LYME REGIS TOWN COUNCIL TERMS & CONDITIONS OF WEEKLY BEACH HUT HIRE 2019/20

1. Keys can be collected from a key safe from 12 noon on the Saturday that hire begins and <u>must</u> be returned to the key safe by 10am on the last Saturday of hire.

The key safes are located in the kitchen which is at the east end of the beach huts. There is a combination lock to access the kitchen and a further combination lock to access the individual key safes. The key safes will be individually numbered to correspond with the number of the hut. Combination numbers will be issued at time of booking the hut and will be changed at the end of each hire period.

We do not ask for a key deposit. However, if you fail to return your key by 10am at the end of your hire period there will be a charge of £50 plus any expenses incurred – **see paragraph 8.**

There should be two chairs in each hut and you should find your hut in a clean condition. If this is not the case, please notify the seafront attendant who should be found in the Jubilee Pavilion.

- 2. The hut must not be occupied between the hours of midnight and 6am.
- The kitchen is available for use for beach hut users. This kitchen is for water and domestic
 washing up only and must not be used for gutting fish or washing any other beach items or
 clothing. Please leave the kitchen in the condition that you would wish to find it.
- 4. The hut shall be used solely by the person to whom the receipt is issued or by his/her family or friends and shall **not** be sub-let.
- 5. Dogs sitting outside beach huts must be kept on leads at all times. Please be aware there are dog control orders in force on Lyme Regis beaches; further information can be found on signage along the seafront.
- 6. The hirer shall be required to reimburse the town council for the cost of repair if any damage is caused to the beach hut or chairs by the hirer. Under no circumstances must padlocks be changed without gaining prior consent from the town council. Failure to adhere to this will result in the hirer's padlock being removed and a charge being levied for a replacement padlock being fitted. An additional key can be obtained from the town council offices during normal office hours for a refundable deposit of £20.
- 7. At the end of the hire period, the hirer is responsible for ensuring all rubbish is removed and the hut is left clean for the next person using it. If this is not adhered to, the town council reserves the right to charge for any cleaning necessary and the town council may use its rights to refuse you hire in the future.

Any possessions left in a hut after the end of the hire period will be removed by the council and put into storage for a maximum period of one month. Lyme Regis Town Council reserves the right to charge for any storage or subsequent disposal costs.

- 8. The hut shall **not** be used for trade or business of any kind. You may **not** collect money for any charity from your hut.
- 9. The hirer shall not cause or permit any public or private nuisance in or around the premises or anything which shall cause annoyance, inconvenience or disturbance to the occupier of the neighbouring huts or to the public. Tables and chairs should be placed directly outside the hut and preferably on the beach so as **not to obstruct** the Cart Road, which is a public promenade. The chairs provided in the hut shall not be removed from the Cart Road or beach at any time.
- 10. Lyme Regis Town Council reserves the right to temporarily remove huts from the site in extreme weather conditions or unforeseen circumstances. Hirers holding an annual let will be advised in advance of any maintenance periods during which huts must be vacated. These are not negotiable.
- 11. Refunds of hire charges will only be made if the hut can be re-let or under certain circumstances, and will, in most cases, incur a 50% administration charge.
- 12. If storing wet equipment in the beach hut, e.g. kayaks, please ensure it is stored over a tray to catch the water run-off so the hut is left dry for the next hirer and the flooring is protected from unnecessary water damage.

13. Barbeques:

DO NOT use a barbeque on the Cart Road. **DO NOT** light a barbeque in a beach hut

If you use a barbeque on the beach **do not** leave it unattended. If it is too hot to move when you are ready to leave, collect sea water and pour water over the barbecue to cool it down. The barbecue can then be taken home or **disposed of in the barbecue bins provided along the seafront**.

14. Security:

All beach huts are provided with a door lock, but the huts are not suitable for overnight storage of valuable items. All items stored in huts are left entirely at the risk of the hirer.