



**PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT**

JAUME LLINARES CORTES, MAYOR OF ALTEA TOWN COUNCIL, **HEREBY DECLARES:**

The situation created by the development of the COVID-19 coronavirus has led to taking measures in order to comply with the extraordinary measures and guidelines set by The Generalitat Valenciana (Valencian Regional Government), and the Ministry of Health, the taking into consideration these health guidelines require additional organising measures in order to preserve and guarantee, on the one hand, the provision of public services, and on the other hand, the protection of the civil servants' health.

In today's session, the Local Town Council Board has passed the following measures for a prudently estimated period of fifteen (15) days, which may be further extended, reduced or modified, according to changes in the circumstances. The following measures may affect citizens:

The cancellation or postponement of all programmed meetings and activities which entail crowds or multitudes in all Municipal Centres and installations (Casa de Cultura, Conservatorio (Music Conservatory), Escuela de Música (Music School), Centro Cultural de Altea la Vella (Altea la Vella Civic Centre), Centro Juvenil (Youth Centre), Radio Altea, Escuela de Adultos (Adult Education School), and all schools -infant, primary, secondary and vocational training centres-, Centro Social (Civic Centre), CEAM (Senior Social Centre), Finca Santa Bárbara and the Villa Gadea installations, Oficina de Turismo (Tourist Info), Ciudad Deportiva de Altea (Altea Sports centre), Ciudad Deportiva de Altea la Vella (Altea La Vella Sports Centre), and the Casa Toni El Fuster and Casa de l'Aigua exhibition halls)

The cancellation of Town Council meetings, local forums and group and/or work meetings.

The cancellation of any trip, fair or programmed meeting organised by the Town Council outside the town limits.

The cancellation of on site training activities for civil servants, in addition to any programmed municipal civil servant employee selection process.

Assistance to citizens shall be preferably carried out by telematic means ( email, telephone or social networks), instead of by physical presence in the Town Council offices.

The cancellation of the celebration of civil weddings at the Town Hall.

The municipal libraries shall remain closed to the public.

Any programmed activity organised by the Town Council at Municipal Centres or outside by the gathering of people together, creating a potential high risk of transmission or infection, shall be cancelled. Private activity organisers are also recommended to act accordingly.

The Town Council shall oversee the compliance of hygienic measures in the Municipal Market. Street markets are cancelled, owing to their itinerant nature, and the gathering of crowds.

All these contemplated measures are of a temporary nature, which may be prorogued, extended or cancelled depending on the development of the illness, and any measure adopted by higher competent authorities on the matter.

I count on the great understanding and support of the citizens in compliance of the measures this Town Council has been obligated to adopt.

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