

**HUNNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HUNNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD
VIRTUALLY ON TUESDAY 26TH JANUARY 2021**

Present: Cllr. Fitzpatrick, Cllr. Miss Payne, Cllr. Harper and Cllr. McGrath

Also, Present: Clerk and 32 members of the public

Prior to commencement of the meeting there was a public session with Jonathon Richards from Seven Capital in attendance to discuss the proposed planning application at the former Bluebird Toffee Factory (19/00592/FUL) – the outcome the parish council would submit a series of questions for the developer to answer and a meeting would be arranged with Seven Capital Highway consultations and Hunnington Parish Council/residents.

1. APOLOGIES

1.1 Apologies were received from Cllr. Smith due to technical difficulties.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2.1 Chairman asked all members present to declare any personal or prejudicial interest on any items on the agenda.

Other Disclosable Interest – Cllr. Harper – Member of Hunnington and Romsley History Society and St Kenelm's District Church Council

3. CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLOR

3.1 It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to co-opt Georgina Austin to the parish council and she duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

4. MINUTES

4.1 It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 17th November 2020. The Chairman signed and initialled each page.

5. FINANCE

5.1 It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to ratify payments made in December 2020.

5.2 **Quarterly Bank Reconciliation and Bank Statements** Cllrs. had been given a copy of the Bank Reconciliation together with supporting bank statements and these figures were accepted.

5.3 It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to update bank signatories and to move to internet banking with Unity Trust Bank.

5.4 It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to approve the budget for 2021/22 and to Precept on Bromsgrove District Council the amount of £13,195.00.

5.5 Accounts for payment – two councillors to sign

HMRC	Payroll taxes due	£105.80
Ruth Mullett	Leaflet distribution paid in cash	£25.00
H Farmer	Christmas Tree	£120.00
E Sheppard	Lengthsman	£608.00
CPRE	Subscription	£36.00
Cllr. Smith and Cllr. Harper signed the cheques		

6. PLANNING MATTERS

6.1 District Council Decisions

Nothing to report

Planning Matters for Parish Council Comments

20/01440/LBC – Blue Bird Confectionary Ltd., Blue Bird Park, Bromsgrove Road – part demolition and site clearance of the former Blue Bird factory site for its redevelopment to provide 109 residential dwellings (Use Class C), consisting of both new dwellings and conversion of the Welfare and Administration buildings, along with associated landscaping, drainage, engineering, highways and access works and 19/00592/FUL – it has been agreed with BDC and Seven Homes that our response will be delayed pending answers to parish council's questions and a meeting with Seven Homes' Highways Engineers, a date to be confirmed by the developers.

Appeals

Nothing to report

7. ROADS/FOOTPATHS/TRAFFIC/HIGHWAYS

7.1 263 Bromsgrove Road parking issues – County Cllr. Mrs May confirmed that this issue was still with enforcement and she would chase it up on our behalf.

7.2 Speeding Bromsgrove Road – still awaiting an update from PC Marc Ginder, again Cllr. Mrs May to chase with him. It was proposed that we could work with the Blue Bird development to implement traffic calming on the Bromsgrove Road as part of a Section 106 Agreement in connection with the planning application.

8. PARISH LENGTHSMAN/MAINTENANCE

8.1 Cut back the hedge encroaching the footpath opposite Window's Farm.

9. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

9.1 Cllr. Mrs. May

- Covid 19 cases in Bromsgrove 663 per 1,000 which is a significant increase over the last seven days.
- Worcestershire Acute Trust under significant pressure and only 4 ITU beds available.
- Residents must adhere to the Covid rules.
- Bin emptying in St Kenelm's Court/Yew Tree Place significantly delayed due to the road closure on St Kenelm's Road. Have now organised for them to be emptied.
- 27 members of the refuge team are currently off with Covid.

10. COUNTY COUNCILLOR

10.1 As above

11. TO RECEIVE CLERK'S REPORT

11.1 Nothing to report

12. TO RECEIVE REPORTS OF PARISH COUNCILLORS

Nothing to report

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 16th March 2021, 7.00pm via Zoom.