

**HUNNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HUNNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD  
VIRTUALLY ON TUESDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2021**

**Present: Cllr. Smith, Cllr. Mrs Austin, Cllr. Fitzpatrick, Cllr. Miss Payne, Cllr. Harper and Cllr. McGrath**

**Also, Present: Clerk and 2 members of the public**

**1. APOLOGIES**

1.1 None

**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  
Cllr. McGrath Business Associate with reference planning application 21/00204

**3. MINUTES**

3.1 It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2021. The Chairman signed and initialled each page.

**4. FINANCE**

4.1 It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to ratify payments made in February 2021.

4.2 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.

4.3 Accounts for payment – two councillors to sign

HMRC	Payroll taxes due x 2	£211.40
GJH Electrical	Christmas Tree Lights	£126.00
E Sheppard	Lengthsman	£153.75

Cllr. Smith and Cllr. Harper signed the cheques

**5. PLANNING MATTERS**

**5.1 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 – With two councillors abstaining it was **RESOLVED** to vote against this application.

21/00204/FUL – Land to the rear of Redhill Place, Hunnington – redevelopment of builder’s yard site to provide 2 no. village infill semi-detached dwellings and associated vehicular access and landscaping – with one councillor abstaining it was **RESOLVED** to vote against this application.

## Appeals

Nothing to report

### 6. ROADS/FOOTPATHS/TRAFFIC/HIGHWAYS

- 6.1 263 Bromsgrove Road parking issues – County Cllr. Mrs May confirmed that this issue is being monitored at District Council enforcement level.
- 6.2 Speeding Bromsgrove Road – Cllr. Mrs May confirmed she had a meeting with the Crime Commissioner John Campion with regards the speeding on Bromsgrove Road and has requested more data.
- 6.3 Covid Memorial Trees – it was unanimously **RESOLVED** to plant five blossom trees in memory of Covid at the green at the top of the parish together with a memorial bench to replace the old rusty one already insitu. Clerk to ascertain price of bench and report back to the May meeting. It was also asked if County Cllr. May could replace the bollards in the same location as they are all damaged.

### 7. PARISH LENGTHSMAN/MAINTENANCE

- 7.1 Gutters are in a terrible mess, County Cllr. Mrs May to arrange for District to bring the road sweeper down the whole of the road.
- 7.2 Lengthsman to clear pavement surface outside the Blue Bird factory gates.

### 8. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

- 8.1 Cllr. Mrs. May
- Covid-19: current rates per 100k – Bromsgrove 104, Malvern 132, Redditch 218, Worcs. City 115, Wychavon 127, Wyre Forest 126. The overall Worcestershire rate is 136. For Bromsgrove a welcome achievement with the lowest rates countryside. Lateral flow testing continues at the Ryland Centre along with vaccination programme at the Artix Centre.
  - 5000 people remain on Furlough in the Bromsgrove District.
  - A new initiative Demand Response Transport a shuttle bus call-up scheme via an app is due to be launched in six weeks. E.g., people could call up requesting a trip from the railways station into the town centre.
  - Have given £8,000.00 of my Divisional Fund to the Library in Hagley.
  - Investigative work is taking place to make the bus stop used by school children safer opposite the Blue Bird Factory.

### 9. COUNTY COUNCILLOR

9.1 As above

### 10. TO RECEIVE CLERK'S REPORT

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to agree the quotation of £450.00 from Cando Cando Web Design to upgrade the website with regards current Content Accessibility Guidelines as a legal requirement.

### 11. TO RECEIVE REPORTS OF PARISH COUNCILLORS

Cllr. Fitzpatrick confirmed he would be resigning from the parish council in May after 27 years' service.

Cllr. Harper will also be resigning after 40 years services. Both councillors were thanked for their tremendous effort and support they have given to Hunnington over the years.

**12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 7.00pm via Zoom.