

HUNCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

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at St James the Greater Church Hall, Narborough Road, Huncote**Present:** Cllr A. Knight (Chairman) Cllr J. Cheesman (Vice Chair) Cllr R. Bailey
Cllr L. McEntee Cllr M. Jones**In attendance:** Stuart Bacon (Clerk)**7952 To receive apologies for absence**

Apologies had been received from Cllr Pittam who was unwell, which were accepted by Members. Members noted no apologies had been received from Cllr Wright.

7953 Declarations by Members of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests (In relation to Agenda items)
Cllr Knight explained he had a non-pecuniary interest in that his grandson played for Croft Juniors FC.
RESOLVED: Members accepted this and had no objection.**7954 Chairman's opening remarks**

The Chairman welcomed all those present, hoped everyone had had a good Christmas and new year, querying if anyone had booked their summer holidays yet?

7955 Confirmation of the Minutes of the meetings held on 5th December 2019 (HunPCJan20/2)Members reviewed the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 5th December 2019.**RESOLVED:** To accept and to sign as a true and accurate record.
Cllr Knight proposes, Cllr Jones seconds, all agree.**7956 Status report arising from these minutes on items not covered within the agenda****7934** Cllr Bailey noted there were still a few poppies up around the village. The Clerk said he had been advised that these had all been removed but that he would get these taken down.**7942/1** Cllr Knight explained he had mentioned the issues to the Royal British Legion Croft Branch, who had explained that there would be a change of personnel leading the ceremony from next year.**7950** Cllr Bailey corrected the Minutes in that the trains would be passing through Narborough Station and not stopping.**7957 Parishioners' time** (15 minutes are set aside for Parishioners' to raise issues and ask questions)
None were present.**7958 To Receive Reports from partners** (10 minutes each on items relating to Huncote)**7958/1 Leicestershire C.C. – Cllr M. Wright**

No reports had been received from Cllr Wright.

7958/2 Blaby D.C. – Cllr M. Wright

No reports had been received from Cllr Wright.

7958/3 Leicestershire Police (update and recent crime statistics)**RESOLVED:** Members noted the January 2020 Neighbourhood Policing newsletter.Recent crime figures for November 2019 according to <http://www.police.uk/> – 6 incidents

- 1x Anti-Social Behaviour on/near M69 (Includes personal, environmental and nuisance anti-social behaviour).
- 1x Vehicle crime on/near Compton Drive (Includes theft from or of a vehicle or interference with a vehicle). Investigation complete; no suspect identified
- 1x Violence and sexual offences on/near Compton Drive (Includes offences against the person such as common assaults, Grievous Bodily Harm and sexual offences) Under investigation

- 1x Burglary on/near Critchlow Road (Includes offences where a person enters a house or other building with the intention of stealing) Investigation complete; no suspect identified
- 1x Violence and sexual offences on/near Critchlow Road (Includes offences against the person such as common assaults, Grievous Bodily Harm and sexual offences) Unable to prosecute suspect
- 1x Vehicle crime on/near Petrol Station (Includes theft from or of a vehicle or interference with a vehicle). Investigation complete; no suspect identified

7959 To Review Huncote Enhancement

- 7959/1 To consider preparations for Holocaust Memorial Day (27 January)
Cllr Bailey queried the origin of some wording in the official training details.
RESOLVED: Members agreed to place posters for Holocaust Memorial Day in the notice board on The Green.
- 7959/2 To receive update on adoption of open space off Peers Way/Preston Way
The Clerk explained that he and Cllr Knight had visited the area and both had agreed that the work on area wasn't quite as hoped, but was of an adoptable standard.
RESOLVED: Members agreed to adopt the area subject to the entrance from Peers Way.
- 7959/3 To receive update on Christmas lighting
The Clerk and Chairman noted there had been timer issues in getting the lights to come on correctly when initially installed but that had been corrected by the electricians. An instance of an electrical fault had been reported on The Green but no evidence of the issue was found. The lights at the Community Centre also failed when the school closed, but were returned to working order by Christmas Eve. Primary School pupils and their teachers had placed decorations on the tree on The Green, accompanied by the Chairman.
RESOLVED: Members noted extortionate bill from cherry picker company. New contractor to be sought going forward. Full written quotes to be obtained for all work.
RESOLVED: Council to investigate working with Thurlaston next year to install the lights, using a shared cherry picker.
RESOLVED: Checks to be carried out on all lights which are removed to ensure they work as expected.
- 7959/4 To consider lighting arrangements for Christmas 2020
RESOLVED: Members agreed to keep lights in the current positions for Christmas 2020: memorial garden, The Green and outside Community Centre.
- 7959/5 To discuss installation of 'pig on the wall' statue in the pinfold
Members noted the contractor was unwell but would be carrying out the work as soon as they were able to.
- 7959/6 To discuss Community Resilience Plans for the village, and dates for meeting
Cllr Jones explained how the plans work and what involvement the parish council would need to have.
RESOLVED: Cllr Knight suggested adding an item to the next newsletter to request interested members of the community can be involved but will need to share their contact details in the plan.
RESOLVED: Council to hold working party in The Red Lion at 7:30pm on 16th Jan to discuss developing the Community Response Plan.

7960 To Review Financial Report including:

- 7960/1 Lease for Croft Juniors FC use of sports field
Members noted an email received from the football club on the evening of the meeting.
RESOLVED: Members agreed fees were correct and would not be reduced.
RESOLVED: Meeting to be arranged with football club to discuss any remaining issues.
- 7960/2 To approve signing new bank mandate
RESOLVED: All Members signed the new bank mandates for all council bank accounts and former signatories were removed.
- 7960/3 To consider any grant requests received
None were received.
- 7960/4 To approve Accounts for Payment (**Doc HunPCJan20/3**)
Members reviewed accounts for payment.

RESOLVED: To accept and to sign as a true and accurate record.

Cllr Knight proposes, Cllr Cheesman seconds, all agree.

7960/5 Summary of Income & Expenditure and analysis to date (**Doc HunPCJan20/4**)

Members reviewed summary of Income & Expenditure and analysis to date.

RESOLVED: To accept and to sign as a true and accurate record.

Cllr Knight proposes, Cllr Cheesman seconds, all agree.

7960/6 To receive update on capping of parish precepts

The Clerk explained there had been no indication the Government would cap parish council precepts for 2020/21.

7960/7 To determine council budget for 2020/21 (**Doc HunPCJan20/5**)

RESOLVED: Members agreed the budget for 2020/21 as previously circulated.

7960/8 To determine council precept for 2020/21

RESOLVED: Members agreed to a precept of £62,463 for 2020/21, and increase of £3.66/4.00%.

7961 **To Review Planning Applications** including:

7961/1 To review applications received since last meeting for consideration

- [19/1455/HHPD](#) - The erection of a single storey rear extension which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original dwellinghouse by 4.265m, for which the maximum height would be 3.65m and the height to the eaves would be 2.4m. - 81 Denman Lane Huncote Leicestershire LE9 3AL - **Prior Approval is Not Required**
- Any other applications received before the meeting
- None.

7961/2 To review planning enforcement issues

- [APP/T2405/C/19/3232404](#) – Appeal against Enforcement Notice for Forest Road / Enderby Road Huncote Leicestershire – **Awaiting decision**

7961/3 To receive results of earlier comments from Blaby District Council

- [19/1548/TPO](#) - Sycamore (T1)- remove sucker growth up to 4m from ground level. - 8 Chantry Close Huncote Leicestershire LE9 3AE – **Application Permitted**
- [19/0582/OUT](#) - Outline application for 5 dwellings following demolition of existing light industrial buildings (access, layout and scale to be considered, all other matters reserved) (resubmission of application 18/1531/OUT). - Land At 6 Cheney End Huncote Leicestershire LE9 3AD – **Application Refused**
- [19/1200/NMAT](#) - Non-Material Amendment to planning permission 13/0117/1/MX for the deletion of a swale and footpath from the public open space area. - Land to the South of Narborough Road Huncote Leicestershire – **Awaiting decision**
- [2019/CM/0184/LCC](#) - Mole Groundworks Ltd - The proposal is for inert waste operations at the Mole Groundworks site alongside their current operations there. The inert waste operations will be in South West of the site and only cover a small area. This small area consists of three concrete bays where inert waste will be screened and recycled to be reused for future operations by Mole Groundworks. An additional concrete panel wall is proposed to be built to protect neighbours from any additional noise created by the new operation. The new concrete panel wall will have weld mesh fencing with ivy on the neighbours' side to act as a living screen to fit within aesthetics of the local landscape and benefit local wildlife. - The Old Piggery, Forest Road, Huncote, LE9 3LE – **Awaiting decision**
- [2019/CM/0125/LCC](#) - Proposed lateral extension to the mineral extraction area within Croft Quarry, retention of access and ancillary development and reclamation via the importation of restoration material.- Croft Quarry, Coventry Road, Croft, LE9 3GP – **Awaiting decision**
- [19/0019/FUL](#) - Installation of 7 lighting columns - BMX Track The Pavilion Leisure Centre Sportsfield Lane Huncote – **Awaiting decision**

7961/4 To review areas of planning concern within Huncote

None.

7961/5 To receive an update on Hinckley National Rail Freight Interchange

None. Awaiting details of formal consultation.

- 7961/6 To receive an update from the Fosse Villages Neighbourhood Plan Joint Working Board Blaby District Council awaiting receipt of Examiner's final report. Blaby District Council will take the Examiner's report to the next available Full Council meeting on 20 February 2020, then, a Public Referendum on the Neighbourhood Plan to be held. If approved at Inspection, Neighbourhood Plan will be Made.
- 7962 **To Review Highways & Footpaths Issues**
 7962/1 A review of Highways and Footpaths Issues within Huncote
 Members noted the rain has ruined some of the local footways and footpaths, and the County Council are looking into these.
 Reports on Facebook were noted complaining about litter in the road between Huncote and Narborough. Members noted various groups already litter pick around the village and wider area.
RESOLVED: Contact Wombles to litter pick along the route as not really safe route for Scouts to consider.
- 7963 **To Receive and Review Quarries Updates** (Acresford Sand & Gravel, Suez, Croft Quarry)
 None.
- 7964 **To Review Publicity & Public Relations Issues** including:
 7964/1 **Journal** – Next Issue Copy Dates - 10 January
RESOLVED: Members noted the forthcoming copy date.
 7964/2 **Huncote Village News** – Review Winter Issue
 The Clerk thanked Members for delivering the newsletter.
 7964/3 **Parish Council Website** – Review usage statistics/receive update on Parish Council Website
 The Clerk explained various news items had been added to the website, and explained recent usage statistics for the parish council website and social media had not seen any unusual activity.
- 7965 **To Review Recent Consultations Received**
 7965/1 Leicestershire County Council - [Budget Consultation](#)
RESOLVED: Members noted the consultation.
 7965/2 Any other consultations received before the meeting
 None.
- 7966 **To Receive Clerks Report**
 ➤ Blaby District Council – Parish Council Newsletter
- 7967 **Any other business**
 (It should be noted that no substantive issues can be raised under this item (i.e. those requiring decisions or with a financial implication). It should be used only to register items for a future Agenda or items that are solely for information only)
 Cemetery wreath clearance to be added to February agenda.
- 7968 **Date of next meeting**
 Wednesday 16th January 2020 – The Red Lion, Main Street, Huncote @ 7:30pm – Community Resilience working party
 Thursday 6th February 2020 – St James the Greater Church Hall, Narborough Road, Huncote @ 7:00pm.