

**Blackwater and Hawley Town Council**  
**Blackwater centre, 12-14 London Road, Blackwater, GU 17 9AA**

Minutes of the Planning and Payments Committee Meeting held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2020 at 7.00pm.

**Present:** Cllr T Hunt – Chair  
 Cllrs B Blewett, A Collett, B Harward, P Monks, A Tarbet and S Usher

**In attendance:** Jo Shaw (Town Clerk)

**P&P5193 Apologies for Absence**  
 Apologies for absence were received from Councillor D Lister.

**P&P5194 Declarations of Councillor Interests**  
 There were no declarations of Councillor interests.

**P&P5195 Democratic Fifteen Minutes**  
 There were no members of the public in attendance.

**P&P5196 Minutes**  
 The minutes of the Planning and Payments Committee meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> June 2020 were approved and will be signed by the Chair of Planning and Payments Committee.

**P&P5197 Matters Arising**  
 There were no matters arising.

**P&P5198 Planning Matters**

a) **Planning Applications** received from Hart District Council for comment. After careful consideration and discussion, Councillors resolved to make the following comments:

20/01498/AMCON	Lidl, 21 London Road, Blackwater Camberley GU17 9AP	Variation of Condition 20 attached to Planning Permission 17/02645/FUL dated 24/05/2018 to increase opening hours by one hour, Monday to Saturday – 07:00 to 22:00 Monday to Saturday and Bank Holidays and 10:00 to 17:00 Sunday.	<b>OBJECTION</b>  While Blackwater and Hawley Town Council are generally in favour of measures to support local communities and business at a challenging time, the Council is opposed to any extension of the current opening hours as it's believed there will be no benefit to the wider community. There is no evidence to suggest increased trading hours are needed to alleviate any pressure caused by restrictions on customers numbers inside the store, due to Covid-19. There have been no queues or even a queue management system in place, outside the store, since early June, possibly longer.
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			<p>Due to the stores close proximity to residential properties, the earlier opening hours would disturb local residents by way of increased traffic, car doors slamming and car alarms, not just from customers, but also staff arriving from as early as 6.30.</p> <p>While accepting that delivery hours are governed separately, under clause 21, there is a concern that earlier opening may lead to an application for earlier deliveries. Something which would be deeply unpopular and strongly contested by residents and Blackwater &amp; Hawley Town Council.</p>
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**P&P5199 Planning Decision**

**19/02336/FUL – 14 Barberry Way, Blackwater, Camberley GU17 9DX**

Councillors noted that the appeal made against the decision of Hart District Council to Refuse Planning Permission for erection of a wooden fence against the base of and outside of existing combined hedge had been dismissed.

**P&P5200 Accounts for Payment**

After careful review and consideration, Councillors approved details of the payments made since the last meeting of the Town Council.

- a) Cheque Analysis report compiled July 2020 - Cheque No's 11392 – 11395 in the amount of £177.65 net
- b) BACS Analysis report dated July 2020 – no's 20/001 to 20/015 in the amount of £10,583.07 net
- c) Gym Refunds, BACS and Cheque Analysis Report dated July 2020 in the amount of £1,545.00

**P&P5201 Other Business**

**2 Cedar Avenue** – Councillors noted that a number of large trees had been cut down on the boundary of this property, the garden had been levelled and that the footpath was currently shut. It was queried whether these trees had housed roosting bats.

The meeting ended at 7.23pm

Chair \_\_\_\_\_