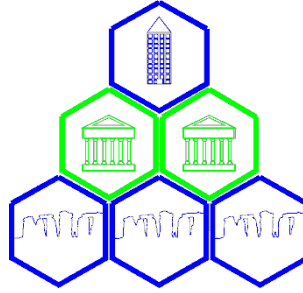


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Heritage Statement: Blue Bird Park Dr Peter Wardle & Colin Lacey

1. Summary

The buildings are four warehouse buildings at the former Blue Bird toffee factory site. The buildings were constructed at some point following the production of the 1982 Ordnance Survey map.

Current Function	Disused warehouses
Original Function	Warehouses
Period	Modern
Century	20 th
Precise Date	Post 1982
Architectural Style	Industrial
Architect	Unknown
Materials	Brick, Steel
Designation	Not listed
Conservation Area	Not located in a Conservation Area

2. Introduction

2.1 The Client

This report was commissioned by J Richards by of Seven Capital (Halesowen) Ltd and subsequently Malvern Estates Ltd.

2.2 Copyright

The copyright of this report belongs to the Historic Environment Consultancy. No liability to third parties is accepted for advice and statements made in this report.

2.3 Location

Site Address:	Blue Bird Park Bromsgrove Road Hunnington Worcestershire B62 0JW
Grid Reference:	SO 96572 81514

The general location is shown in Figure 1 and the detailed location in Figure 2.

2.4 Date of Recording

Blue Bird Park was initially visited by Dr Peter Wardle in July & October 2019. Subsequent visits were made by Dr Wardle and Colin Lacey between this point and September 2022.

2.5 Circumstances of The Project

The recording of the building was required as a condition of a grant of planning permission and listed building consent reference Bromsgrove Borough Council 19/00592/FUL for:

“Part demolition and site clearance of the former Blue Bird factory site for its redevelopment to provide 116 residential dwellings (Use Class C3), consisting of both new dwellings and conversion of the Welfare and Administration buildings, along with associated landscaping; drainage; engineering; highways and access works”.

The wording of the planning condition is as follows:

No development shall commence until a programme of research and building recording including a Written Scheme of Investigation(s), has been submitted to and approved by the local planning authority in writing. The scheme shall include an assessment of significance and research questions; and:

- a) The programme and methodology of site investigation and recording which will include:
 1. A Level 3 historic building recording (as defined by Historic England) on all pre 1980s buildings. This will include documentary research.
 2. A Level 1 historic building recording (as defined by Historic England) on warehouses, dating to the 1980s.
 3. Investigative works prior to and during construction works to recover structural information.*
- b) The programme for post investigation assessment.*
- c) Provision to be made for analysis of the site investigation and recording.*
- d) Provision to be made for publication and dissemination of the analysis and records of the site investigation*
- e) Provision to be made for archive deposition of the analysis and records of the site investigation*
- f) Nomination of a competent person or persons/organisation to undertake the works set out within the Written Scheme of Investigation.*

REASON: In accordance with the requirements of paragraph 194 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

2.6 Location of The Archive

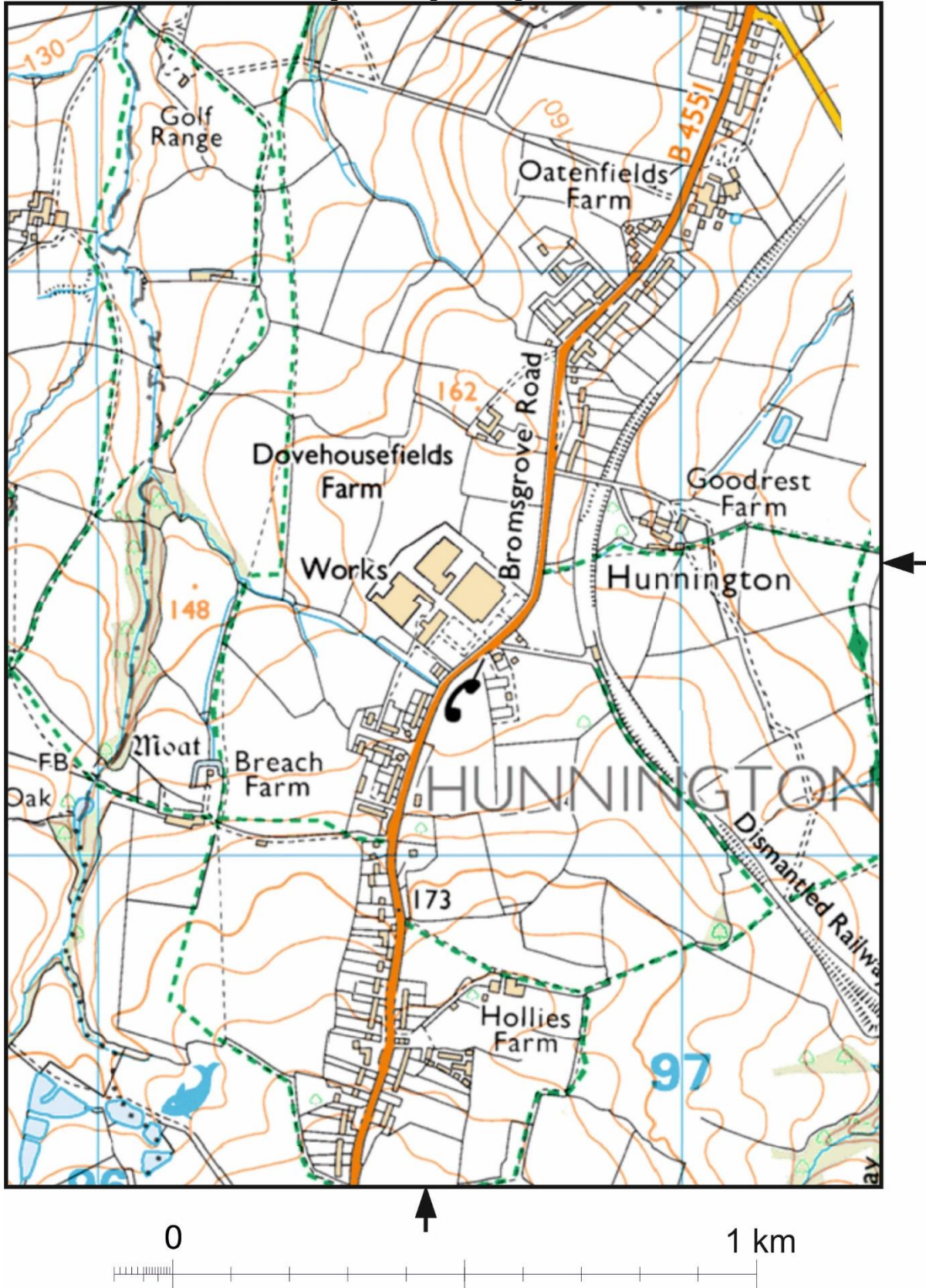
The archive of this project consists solely in the form of digital records. This report contains 667 high resolution photographs and 40 plans and elevations. The drawings are appended to the report as layered vector files. Copies of the report in pdf archive format therefore represent the archive.

Copies of this archive are therefore given to the Archaeology Data Service, Worcestershire County Council Historic Environment Record and Worcestershire Archive & Archaeology Service or Worcestershire County Museum.

2.7 Methodology

The building was recorded according to the requirements set out in the English Heritage 2006 *Understanding Historic Buildings* and the method statement.

There were no difficulties in the recording process.



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Figure 1: General Location Plan. Scale 1:10,000



Plate 1: Aerial view, Building 10, September 2022



Plate 2: Aerial view, Buildings 11-13, September 2022

3. Building 10



Figure 2: Detailed Location Plan, Building 10. Scale 1:2500

3.1 The Building

Current Function	Disused warehouse
Original Function	Warehouse
Period	Modern
Century	20 th
Precise Date	Post 1982
Architectural Style	Industrial
Architect	Unknown
Materials	Brick, Steel
Designation	Not listed
Conservation Area	Not located in a Conservation Area

3.2 Summary Statement

The building is a northeast-southwest warehouse constructed of red brick. The building was constructed in the years following the production of the 1982 Ordnance Survey map.

Internally, the building comprises a large open space with a partitioned section to the southwest containing lavatories and a mess room.



Plate 3: Southwest (front) elevation



Plate 4: Southwest part, northwest elevation



Plate 5: Northeast part, northwest elevation



Plate 6: Detail of door, northwest elevation



Plate 7: Detail of doors, northwest elevation



Plate 8: Detail of tank, northeast end of building 10



Plate 9: Northeast aspect, building 10



Plate 10: Northeast aspect, building 10 interior



Plate 11: Southwest aspect, building 10 interior



Plate 12: Mess room in partitioned part of building 10



Plate 13: Lavatory in partitioned part of building 10

4. Building 11

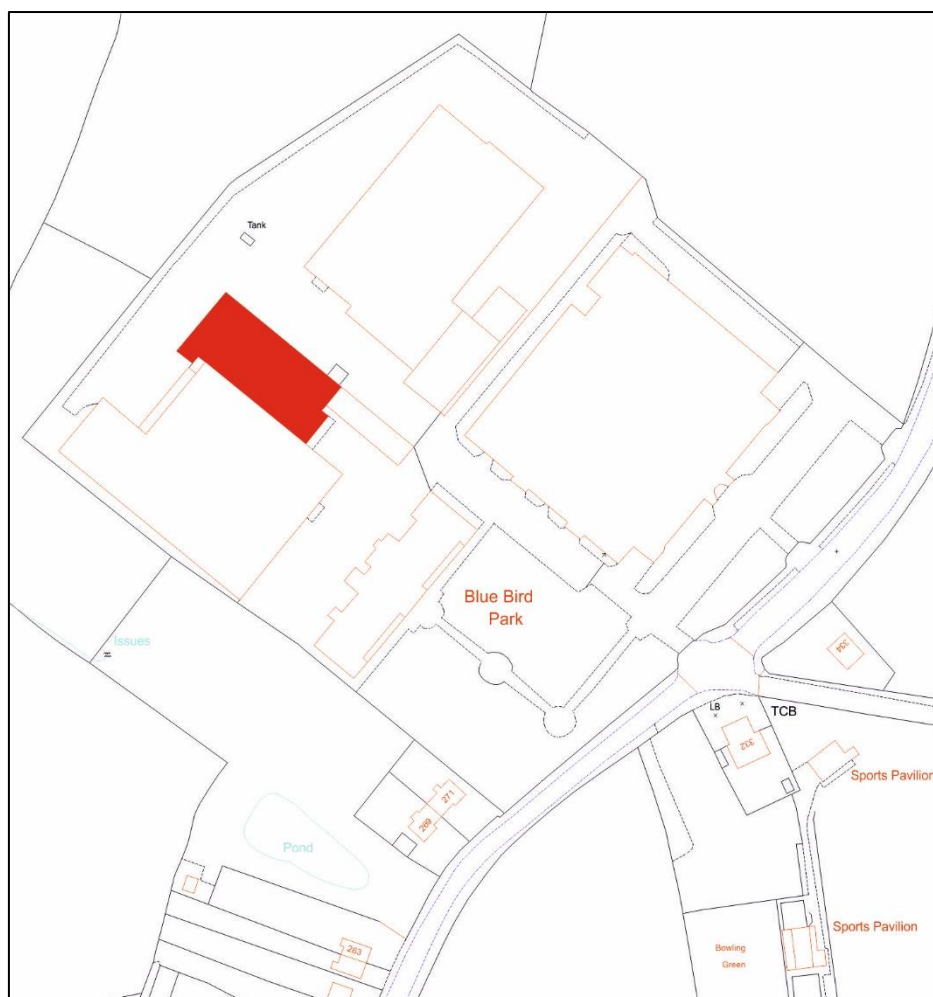


Figure 3: Detailed Location Plan, Building 11. Scale 1:2500

5. The Building

Current Function	Disused warehouse
Original Function	Warehouse
Period	Modern
Century	20 th
Precise Date	Post 1982
Architectural Style	Industrial
Architect	Unknown
Materials	Brick, Steel
Designation	Not listed
Conservation Area	Not located in a Conservation Area

5.1 Summary Statement

The building is a northwest-southeast warehouse constructed of red brick with a corrugated sheet upper part. The building was constructed in the years following the production of the 1982 Ordnance Survey map.

Internally, the building comprises a large open space with a partitioned section to the southeast.



Plate 14: Southeast aspect



Plate 15: Southeast elevation



Plate 16: Northeast elevation



Plate 17: North aspect



Plate 18: Northwest aspect



Plate 19: Northwest aspect, building 11



Plate 20: Southeast aspect, building 11

6. Building 12

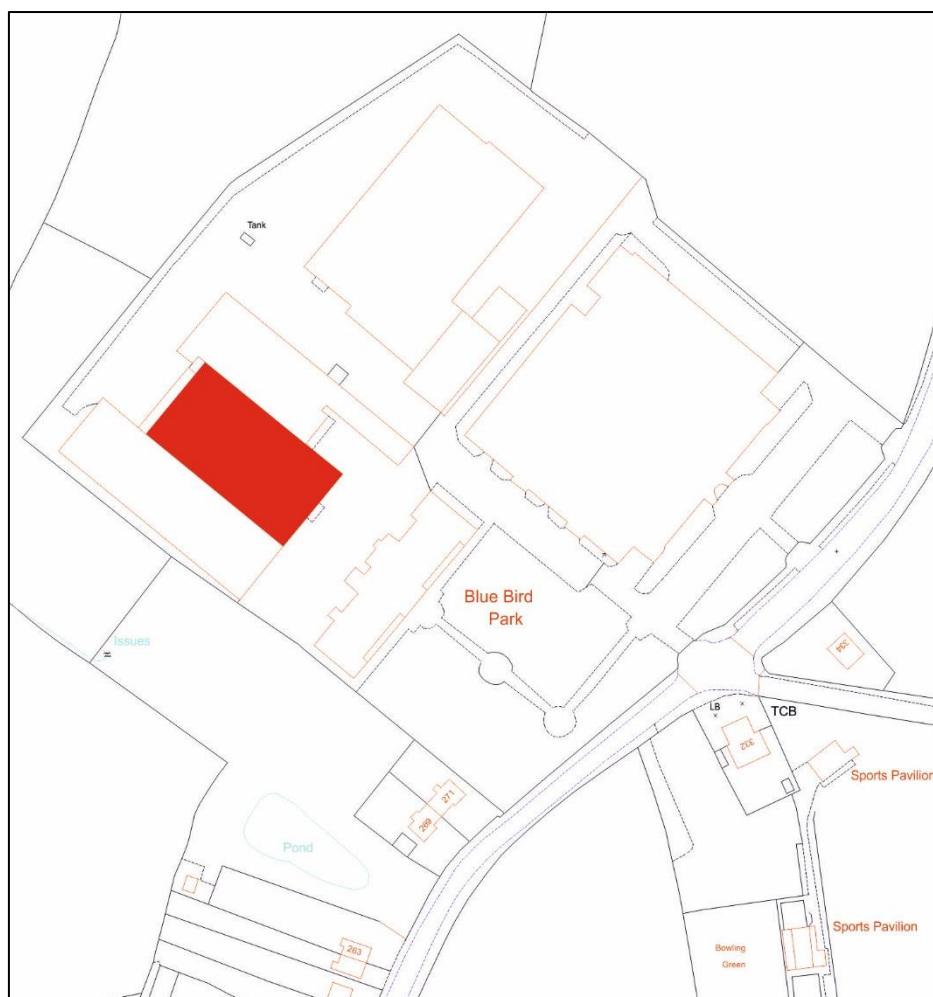


Figure 4: Detailed Location Plan, Building 12. Scale 1:2500

7. The Building

Current Function	Disused warehouse
Original Function	Warehouse
Period	Modern
Century	20 th
Precise Date	Post 1982
Architectural Style	Industrial
Architect	Unknown
Materials	Brick, Steel
Designation	Not listed
Conservation Area	Not located in a Conservation Area

7.1 Summary Statement

The building is a northwest-southeast warehouse constructed of red brick with a corrugated sheet upper part. The building was constructed in the years following the production of the 1982 Ordnance Survey map.

Internally, the building comprises a large open space with a partitioned section to the northwest. This partitioned area has two floors and contains ancillary rooms.



Plate 21: Western aspect, building 12



Plate 22: Blocked southwest door, southeast elevation



Plate 23: Central door, southeast elevation



Plate 24: Blocked northeast door, southeast elevation



Plate 25: Northwest elevation



Plate 26: Northwest aspect



Plate 27: Detail of northwest shutters



Plate 28: Northeast aspect, interior



Plate 29: Southeast aspect, interior



Plate 30: Southeast aspect, interior

8. Building 13

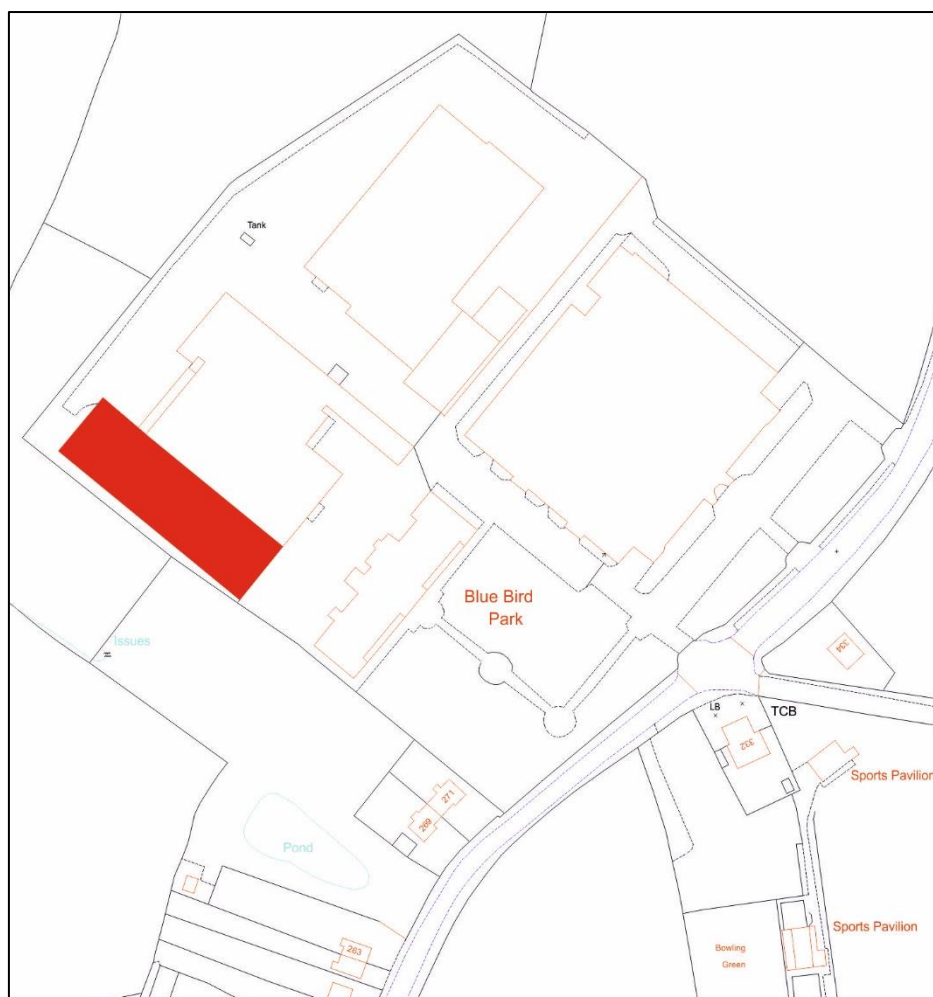


Figure 5: Detailed Location Plan, Building 13. Scale 1:2500

9. The Building

Current Function	Disused warehouse
Original Function	Warehouse
Period	Modern
Century	20 th
Precise Date	Post 1982
Architectural Style	Industrial
Architect	Unknown
Materials	Brick, Steel
Designation	Not listed
Conservation Area	Not located in a Conservation Area

9.1 Summary Statement

The building is a northwest-southeast warehouse constructed of red brick with a corrugated sheet upper part. The building was constructed in the years following the production of the 1982 Ordnance Survey map.

Internally, the building comprises a large open space.



Plate 31: Southeast aspect



Plate 32: Detail of doors, southeast aspect



Plate 33: Northeast wall



Plate 34: Northwest aspect



Plate 35: Southeast aspect, interior



Plate 36: Northwest aspect, interior