

Meeting UHCA for the Meeting
on Tuesday April 6th 2021 at 7.30pm by Zoom

- 1 **Minutes of the last meeting** on March 2nd 2021 - Proposed by Margaret and seconded Alison and all in favour.
- 2 **Matters arising from the Minutes.**- None
- 3 **Correspondence.** - None received

4 **Financial Report**

Income		Expenditure	
200 Club Subs	£15	200 Club prizes March	£85
2 garage rents (1 for 2 years NT)	£600	Knutton Roof	£290
		Dyson Energy Insulation	£828
		Trade Signs Pole	£88
	Total £615		Total £1291

5 **Croft House Maintenance**

- On the 31st March 2021, 'Dyson Energy Services Ltd' insulated the loft space of the main hall in Croft House. Hopefully, the additional insulation will reduce the heat loss and our ongoing energy costs. Our energy losses via the large surface area of the ceiling (103m²), has made the management of the main hall difficult during the depths of winter. 200mm of additional insulation has been added and 15 downlight covers installed. The total cost was £828 including VAT.
- On 8th April 2021 Hall & Rhodes Security will test and certify the CCTV equipment. (Following correspondence with our insurers Allied Westminster, we must be able to show that the system is fully functional).
- Following the maintenance work Croft House was cleaned throughout.

Chris thanked Roger for all his hard work in maintaining Croft House to such a high standard.

6 **Health & Safety.**

- On the 31st March 2021, 'Testing Services Ltd' tested all our portable electrical appliances in Croft House, including the gardening equipment used by HIB. Testing of the HIB equipment is necessary as both UHCA and HIB are covered under the same insurance policy. Note that **only tested and safe** electrical equipment must be used in Croft House, or whilst gardening. If you are aware of any electrical items that have not been tested, please let us know. A list of the 49 items tested is available for review. (We were quoted £90 for testing the first 50 items, by Testing Services). The variation in the required frequency of testing, for different types of electrical equipment was discussed. It was concluded that we should carry out the PAT testing every year. It was also stressed that, appliances must also be visually inspected before use to ensure they are safe to use, e.g., the plug or connector is not damaged, the cable is not damaged or there are no burn marks or stains (suggesting overheating). If there are any concerns remove and isolate the equipment.
- At last, the post for the traffic mirror at the end of Croft House driveway has been ordered. Nigel has confirmed that he is still OK for the post to be installed on his land. Cost £87.59 including VAT, for a 3m, Ø 60mm galvanised pole.
- We need to organise the testing of our gas equipment this month. Roger to organise with D Dolby.

- As stated at our last meeting, for Covid reasons, Croft House will not open for activities, other than Pre-School, until the 17th May at the earliest. This will be further discussed at the management meeting.

7 Croft House Management Committee

The committee will meet on Tuesday April 13th by Zoom

8 Plans for Fundraising Events

It was agreed at the last meeting, that we would decide at the April meeting, on whether we hold a Fete on the 31st July 2021.

All agreed to cancel the Fete for 2021 and hold a super-duper Fete in 2022.

9 Croft House activities

- Pre-School are the only group utilising Croft House at the moment.
- The search for an art teacher to run a class on Friday afternoon is ongoing. At the last meeting other options were discussed including Table Tennis and Tai Chi. Gail looked at the cost of table tennis tables, and found that they can be purchased around £100. Andrea has spoken to a Tai Chi instructor who has advised that she cannot do Fridays, but she could do Wednesdays.
- Ruth suggested a 'board games' morning and other family orientated activities. Once per month on a Saturday morning at 10 am would be ideal for young families. Any other ideas welcome.
- As mentioned in section 7 above we may open for activities on May 17th but with restrictions, and consideration to Pre-School.

10 Local & West Yorkshire Mayoral Elections

Croft House will be open for elections on the Thursday May 6th 2021. Kirklees Council have stated that the use of Croft House will be carried out in a 'Covid Safe' way. We have however taken the decision that Croft House will be closed on Friday May 7th and a full clean will take place before the return of Pre-School on Monday May 10th.

11 Website

General updates only.

12 Hopton in Bloom

Decision Garden Trail 2021

All agreed at the last meeting to concentrate on planning a new Garden Trail next year 2022 with new gardens and new volunteers.

The bloomers are all coming back to work slowly and maintaining social distancing, even in the open air.

A large number of people have told us how wonderful the village looks and appreciate all our work over the years.

13 News from the Pre-School

The Preschool are planning to create their own website. There is a need to liaise with Roger to discuss putting a link to Preschool on the www.upperhoptonvillage.co.uk and removing the information already there and avoid the danger of duplicate information.

14 News from Club.

There was a meeting on Wednesday, which decided that the Club will open on April 16th for the following times, Fridays 5-8pm, Saturdays and Sundays 12-8pm weather permitting. All members will have to remain outside and only go inside for the loos. The opening will be strictly Members only.

15 News from St John's Church.

There are plans to restore the organ at St John's and the following is a public notice, which we have to display so that anyone may object to the work going ahead.

Church of St John the Evangelist, Upper Hopton In the parish of Mirfield Team Parish

NOTICE IS GIVEN that we are applying to the Consistory Court of the diocese for permission to carry out the following:

Restoration of the pipe organ to comprise: repair of damaged pipework, replacing both keyboards, re-leathering the main reservoir, replacing the Geigen Principal 4' stop motor, replacing three pedal contacts, replacing the pedal board felting, and replacing a key switch with an ordinary switch. Also, the installation of a Great to Swell coupler function in place of the existing Swell Unison Off.

In accordance with the Malcolm Spink quotation (undated).

The Committee recommends the works or proposals for approval by the court

Copies of the relevant plans and documents may be examined at **St John the Evangelist, Upper Hopton, WF14 8HE**

Petitioners: <i>(Each petitioner to give name and office held in block capitals)</i>	
1. HUGH BAKER Vicar of Mirfield	<i>[Signature]</i>
2. Christine Bregoe Lay Chair P.C.	<i>[Signature]</i>
3. Layla Ellis Warden	<i>[Signature]</i>
Date 24.03.2021	

If you wish to object to any of the works or proposals, you should send a letter stating the grounds of your objection to The Diocesan Registrar at Leeds Diocesan Registry, Yorkshire House, East Parade, Leeds, LS1 5BD so that your letter reaches the registrar not later than 21.04.2021

A letter of objection must include your name and address and state whether you live in the parish and/or your name is entered on the church electoral roll of the parish or any other basis on which you have an interest in the matter

St John's churchyard with the daffodils in full bloom, the Easter Garden and Stations of the Cross have been visited and commented on by lots of residents and visitors alike. Thanks are due to Sandra and Anita for the wonderful floral displays at the Lych Gate which attracted lots of attention.

The church is open for private prayer on Sundays from 2-4 pm until a Covid meeting is held later this month. Services continue to be streamed on Facebook and YouTube.

16 News from the Cricket Club

A lot of work has been carried out to improve the pitch and to clear the bankings ready for the season to start.

17 AOB

Alex has some keys for Croft House, which she will drop off.

Roger thanked Paul Stones for carrying out a super repair of two of the benches in the Rose Gardens. These repairs will give us an extended life for the benches.

The 200 Club Draw for March 2021

1st prize £50, 58

2nd Prize £25, 108

3rd Prize £10. 128

All subs have been paid but there are 40 spare numbers if anyone would like one or more of them.

Date of next Meeting will be on Tuesday 4th May at 7.30 by Zoom