

Minutes for the UHCA Meeting on Tuesday July 6th at 7.30pm by Zoom

Roger opened the meeting by welcoming Rebekah Parkin, Catherine Little and Diane Brown from Kirklees Council.

Roger attended Michael Hampshire's funeral on June 21st and was able to hear his full and varied life story. A copy of this to be circulated. Chris made up a planter to give Mavis which she very much appreciated and sends her thanks to all at UHCA.

1. Minutes of the last meeting on June 1st 2021.

Proposed by Margaret Seconded by Andrea and all were in agreement.

2. Matters arising from the Minutes.

- The traffic mirror at the end of Croft House driveway was installed on Tuesday 6 July by Roger and Nigel. A big thanks to Nigel, for allowing us to position the mirror on his land.
- Chris has been corresponding with the suppliers for the new bench for the Rose Gardens. £1851 quote for bench, which includes delivery and 2 plaques.
- **The proposal to use John's bequest for purchasing round tables for Croft House:**
Six 4ft and six 5ft tables have been purchased and were delivered on 16 June 2021. The total cost of the tables was £1256. A storage facility for the tables has been made using racking donated by Albion Tradestore. There was an additional cost however of £115 for fasteners, support tube and rubber strip etc for the racking. A letter of thanks will be sent to Mark and James Broscombe.



3. Correspondence by email

My name is Bekki, and I am the Parks Development Officer covering the Dewsbury and Mirfield Wards. Councillor Vivien Lees-Hamilton has passed me your details and I believe she's already spoken to you regarding us attending the Upper Hopton Village Association Meeting on 06/07/21?

We would like to have an agenda point at the meeting to be able to discuss the Playable Spaces Programme which we are planning on launching shortly across Kirklees.

Upper Hopton Recreation Ground will be the first site in the Mirfield ward to get a refresh.

We want each site to meet the local community's needs so we'd like to discuss with the Village Association the consultation process and what that will look like for Upper Hopton Recreation Ground.

PowerPoint presentation by Bekki and the Parks Development team.

The Parks Development team introduced themselves and advised that they are in the consultation and data gathering stages for redevelopment of the Upper Hopton Recreation Ground and play area.

A short PowerPoint presentation was given by the team which gave an outline of the possible proposals for the redevelopment of the Recreation Ground. Chris will distribute the presentation to all the UHCA members and anyone else who would like a copy.

Several options were discussed regarding the best ways to distribute information and the survey around the village.

4. Financial Report

Income	Expenditure
	Tables for Croft House £1256
	Racking for tables £115
	200 Club Prizes £85
Total £0.00	Total £1456

Kath thanked Roger for her report.

5. Health & Safety.

- A fire risk assessment will be carried out by Flamstop on the 27 July at 10.00am, and a full report provided. Matthew has offered to help with the fire risk assessment and review the report.
- On the 27th June, Nicola advised Roger that a member of the Pre-School staff had come into contact with someone testing positive for Covid. Fortunately, the member of staff had not been to Croft House since the contact took place. Consequently, because of the staff shortage, Pre-School decided to close from Monday 28 June to Thursday 1 July.
(All other activities at Croft House were able to continue during this time).

6. Maintenance

- The fitting of two more hinges to the Pre-School garage door is still outstanding.
- The new windows for the rear of Croft House will be installed between the 29th July and the 6th August. The work will take two days and the actual dates of installation will be advised later.
- Please note that Croft House will be **totally** closed while decorating is carried out between Monday 9th August to Friday 27th August.
- Due to the recent heavy rain, we have a roof leak in the kitchen again. Dan Knutton has been informed, but cannot attend until next week.

7. Plans for Fundraising Events

None are planned at the moment but as soon as we are allowed, and it is safe to do so, we will try to stage some events.

8. Croft House activities

- The Prenatal Yoga class on Friday afternoon has been cancelled and the time slot is available for other activities.
- Almost all of the usual regular activities are taking place again: Yoga, Monday Art Class, Book Group, Pilates, Keep Fit and the WI. The 'Guitar and Sing' class will start again when singing indoors is allowed.
- There is an outstanding action to use the updated 'Activities Sheet' as flyer and as a 'welcome to our village' (plus promote the 200 Club).
- Private bookings are still on hold until we are given further government guidance.
- We have investigated the possibility of purchasing one or more table tennis tables, but the storage sizes of a table are approximately 600 to 700 deep x 1520mm wide, which is too large for our storeroom.

9. Hopton in Bloom.

- The team continue to meet on Wednesday mornings and still maintain social distancing while working.
- K6 telephone Box is host to a fantastic display this month **Teddy Bears' Picnic**.
- Garden Trail 2022, Alison is to research a date in 2022 when other gardens are not open, maybe last week in June or first week in July

- Gateways in Recreation Ground. The forest steps are taking shape and are looking great. We need a supply of wood chippings.
- Wildflowers have been sown and lavenders have been planted at the Memorial gateway.

10. News from the Pre-School

Preschool are doing really well and lots of children on waiting list for September. They need a new cleaner and advert is going out in September.

11. News from Club.

It is open and working within all the Covid guidelines.

12. News from St John's Church.

- Sunday services resumed on May 2nd at 11.15 a.m. and Thursday morning service on May 6th at 10 a.m. all with strict Covid regulations in place.
- The tree survey has been received and we are in dialogue with Kirklees and the Diocese as to the felling and management of the trees.
- The grass has been cut but areas of long grass have been left for the wildlife. These areas will be cut at the end of the growing season.
- We are looking forward to receiving the new regulations and possible easing of restrictions on July 19th.
- The Friends AGM to be held on Wednesday 8 September at 7.30 in St. John's.

13. AOB

Need tablecloths for the new round tables. Andrea to investigate.

The 200 Club Draw for June 2021

1st prize £50, 128

2nd Prize £25 51

3rd Prize £10. 24

All Subs have now been paid for the 200 Club for 2021 @ £15 per annum per number but if you wish to purchase a number or more numbers, please get in touch

Date of next Meeting will be on Tuesday 7th September at 7.30 at Croft House (but possibly by Zoom)