

Minutes UHCA March 6th 2018 At 7.30 pm in Croft House

2 Minutes of the last meeting February 6th 2018 proposed by Malcom and seconded by Andrea. All in favour.

3 Matters arising from the minutes.

- The defibrillator has been delivered to the Town Council., who will arrange for its installation and then invoice us. PCC are paying a share too
- Prompted by the proposed installation of an electric cooker in Croft House, the application to Northern Powergrid Connections for an electrical supply upgrade is still ongoing. Following a preliminary site meeting a budget quotation was received on the 19 February 2018. If we undertake the excavations the cost will be £3336, and £8477 if Northern Powergrid carry out the excavations. It must be stressed that this was a budget quotation only and a detailed quotation is to follow on the 21st March 2018.
- The old Croft House gas cooker will be removed on the weekend of 24th & 25th March. The new electric cooker has been purchased at a cost of £1909 and will be delivered on Monday 26th March. The new cooker and power point will be installed on Wednesday 28th March. Installation will begin at 1.00pm. A cheque for the sum of £1000 was received from Northern Gas Network to help fund the new cooker. We will invite Northern Gas network for a 'thank you photo' after the cooker is installed.
- The new security system and external lighting (as discussed at the February meeting) will be installed on Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th April, during the Easter Holidays. We will also install new shelving in the storeroom in readiness for the monitor and digital recorder. Hall and Rhodes are doing the installation work.
- We have purchased an A3 printer paid for 50:50 UHCA and HiB. Alison will keep it at her house.

4 Correspondence. From John Sykes about the builder on Hopton Lane

Reply from Cllr Vivien that she has had many words; the latest ones were last week. "I do monitor the site as I'm passing".

Vans are still parking on pavement making it impossible to pass and forcing pedestrians to walk on the busy road.

5 Website. Update on website www.upperhoptonvillage.co.uk Ongoing updates. Roger and John are thinking of improving the Village events calendar on the front page.

6 Financial Report. Kath presented her report

Bank	Income		Expenditure	
	Donation	£35	½ Skip Hire	£110
	200 Club Subs	£1411	200 Club Prizes	£85
	Table Cloth Hire	£36	Range Master Cooker	£1909
	½ Insurance from HiB	£165	Plasterer	280
	Donation Northern Gas for Oven	£1,000		
	total	£2,647	total	£2384

Roger thanked Kath for her report,

7 Maintenance Team.

The water damage in the kitchen from the roof leak has been repaired. The work involved replacement of plasterboard and a finish coat of plaster. The cost was £280. The only tasks remaining are replacement of tiles and painting.

Conversations and correspondence has taken place with three contractors to supply up to date quotations for the resurfacing Croft House car park (the previous quotations were dated January 2013). When we receive the quotations they will form part of a grant application to Mirfield Town Council. One quotation has already been received.

Report from the Grant Team. Darren has made a start. Aviva are a good one to look at.

Kirklees Council have been given a key for the new wooden Recreation Ground gate and a second has been left in Croft House for any emergencies that may arise. John B also has a key.

8 Plans and reports for fund raising events.

Jumble Sale March 17th at 9.30 am. Bring Jumble on Friday 16th March between 5 and 7 pm.

Spring Craft Fair April 21st at 10 – 3pm. Janette has booked 12 tables out and there are only 2 left.

A Charity Gourmet Evening with Eric Paxman Wednesday April 11th 2018. All funds raised will be donated to Kirkwood Hospice. Tickets are available at £35 each. The menu and details are available on

www.upperhoptonvillage.co.uk/uhca

Casino Night - Saturday 5th May 2018 - funds raised will go to the ongoing Croft House maintenance projects.

Murder Mystery and Theatre evening tbc

9 Plans and Reports for Community Projects.

Book Group meetings are on Monday 12th and 26th March 3.30 to 5.00pm.

The 2018 Village Fete and Heritage Event will be on the Saturday 28th July. We will have a new event - Ferret Racing provided by the Falconry team. Charlottes Ice Cream has been booked.

Mighty Zulu Nation, Roger is to ring. (After meeting - not available unfortunately. Any more ideas?)

WW1 book for Hopton - Roger is busy compiling it and abridging the information he has gathered. The book will contain information about Hopton around the 1914 1918 period as well as details of the soldiers from this area. If anyone has any information/photos of Hopton during the 1910 -1920 period please contact Roger on rogerleedham11@gmail.com or ring 09124 493568

10 Hopton in Bloom.

We, as a joint effort with UHCA and Patrick Crowley and Andy Goff from Kirklees, have applied for a Green Flag Community award for the Recreation Ground.

2018 Calendars There are a very small number left at £5 each and available at the meeting.

Garden Trail Saturday July 7th

YIB Spring Judging will be on April 18th at 10a.m

11 News and reports from the Club.

The AGM is being held this evening.

Thursday March 8th 7 for 7.30 Handbag Sale.

Saturday April 7th Midlife Crisis.

12 Croft House Cookies

Crafty cookies Tuesday March 13th

Tuesday March 27th at 8pm

13 News from the Cricket Club

Ian Heaton reported that preparations are ongoing for the new season which starts on 21st April. As you are aware we have had difficulties with the drainage works on the field since the contractor went into liquidation in November. We recently had a meeting with a new contractor, Chappelow's, and we are awaiting an update from Sport England before work can recommence. The result of the problems is that we are likely to have to play our first two home games at another venue and for the majority of the season the field will resemble a beach with sand having to be used to backfill the remaining work.

14 News from Preschool.

Helen Walker provided an update. The children are lovely and have settled well. We have inherited financial problems so to resolve some of the issues; we have had discussions with a Sustainability Officer from Kirklees. His advice is excellent, in depth and thorough and put on spread sheet with the result that the budget is going to be tight. We are hoping to look at it further to make it viable.

In July 5 children will go to school and there may not be enough children to fill these places. Officer looked at 2 year olds in area but there are not many.

Another Preschool may be opening a Forrest school.

15 News and reports from St John's Church and Team Parish.

We are working on a project to show the WW1 Graves in the churchyard with an interpretation board.

2018 Churches together in Mirfield Lent Course- 2018 based on the film 'The Theory of Everything'

A five week course will take place in Churches in Mirfield

Women's World Day of Prayer compiled by the women of Suriname at Trinity Methodist Church at 2pm on Friday March 16th

BLACK DYKE BAND in CONCERT at ST MARY'S Thursday 22nd March 2018 7.30 pm

Proceeds in aid of The Mirfield Team Parish & the Black Dyke Band Tickets £12.50 No Concessions

A letter from the vicar is to be circulated to all residents in the village requesting donations to maintain the church building which costs £10,000 a year to maintain.

Holy Week beginning on Monday March 26th there will be a Service of the Word at St John's on Monday Tuesday Wednesday at 7.30pm. Thursday there is a Christian Passover meal at St Paul's at 6pm

Good Friday - 30th March

10am Ecumenical service starts at Mirfield Library

2pm At the Foot of the Cross - the last hour at St Paul's

7.30 Good Friday Service at St Mary's

Saturday Easter Eve - 31st March at St Mary's

10am - 12.30pm Children's Club Easter Workshop

7.30pm Easter Vigil, Service of Light and First Communion of Easter

Easter Sunday - 1st April

8.30am Holy Communion St Mary's

9.45am Sung Communion St Mary's

11.15am Holy Communion St John's

4.30 pm Songs of Praise at St John's

BRIGHOUSE & RASTRICK BRASS BAND Saturday 28th April 2018 7.00 pm St Mary's

Proceeds in aid of The Mirfield Team Parish & the Yorkshire and Humberside Brass Band Association

In September a Scarecrow festival has been suggested. A Flock to Church Event is planned for September 15th with a workshop at St Paul's.

16 AOB.

The Salvation Army Hall has been refurbished and they will host an open day on Saturday March 10th 10 -3 pm with refreshments. All are invited to attend

Black Dyke won The Yorkshire Championship and Brighouse and Rastrick came second

Skelmonthorpe came second in their section and will enter the Championship next year

The 200 Club Draw for February

1st prize £50; 171.

2nd Prize £25. 32

3rd Prize £10. 71

Subs are now overdue for the 200 Club for 2018. Please note increase to £15 per annum per number

Date of next meeting will be Tuesday April 3rd at 7.30 pm in Croft House.