Minutes UHCA May 2nd 2017 At 7.30pm in Croft House Present

2 Minutes of the last meeting April 4th 2017 Proposed by Malcolm and seconded by Ruth. All in Favour

### 3 Matters arising from the minutes.

Roger was tasked with reviewing the letter dated 2 March 2017 from John Bercow (Speaker House of Commons) inviting civic organisations to get involved in Parliament. Reading the letter and reviewing the website it has been concluded that the concept is directed at educational needs in politics and not for an organisation such as ours (which as a charity is non-political).

#### 4 Correspondence.

From Martyn Bolt Please effect the Order to close the B6118 on 22.5.17 for 7 days (9.30-15.30) hours. The road surface is to be replaced Free of Charge by the contractor.

<u>5 Website.</u> Update on website www.upperhoptonvillage.co.uk.

Updates and development is ongoing. The Hopton in Bloom Photographic Competition has been added

### 6 Financial Report.

Kath presented her report.

Income			Expenditure	
200 Cluk	Subs £	206	Stationary	£20
Stall Rer	its	£20	Food for Craft Fair	£24
Spring F	air Takings	£733	200 Club April	£85
Total	£95	9.00		£129.00

#### 7 Maintenance Team.

Following complaints on the unreliability of the front door lock from Croft House users, we have fitted a new lock to the front door of Croft House. The locksmith modified the new lock to accept the old key, which helps with costs and supply of keys. Most of the keys work perfectly well but several appear to have been cut badly. If you have a problem with your key please contact Roger or Kath (who has now given Roger the Master Key) and a new key will be supplied.

The railings for the back of the new extension have still not been installed. We will pursue the manufacturer. Fund raising is now gathering some momentum (Casino Royale, Jumble Sale, Spring Fair & contribution from the Croft House Management Committee) for the kitchen refurbishment. We intend to install a good quality cooker with and electric oven and possibly a ceramic hob. The dishwasher will be replaced with a robust industrial style machine. For additional security and insurance purposes ten window locks have been fitted to the small opening windows in Croft House. If you need a key for the locks please ask any UHCA member.

## 8 Plans and reports for fund raising events.

Murder Mystery Evening Saturday September 23rd at 7 pm. Kath and Chris to move this forward now that the Spring Fair is over

#### 9 Plans and Reports for Community Projects.

The Reiki class booked for 5th May has had to be cancelled as Michelle is still suffering with her back.

The Book Group are meeting on Monday 8th May & 22nd May 2017 at Croft House 3.30pm to 5.00pm. More members have joined but more would be very welcome. (next meetings June 12th & 26th, July 10th & 24th - 2017) The Spring Fair was on Saturday 22nd April 2017 raised £832. A big thanks to Alison and Tony and everyone who helped or contributed to the successful day. The Fair went well and was steady all day.

The 2017 Village Fete and Heritage Event will be on the Saturday 29th July. Thanks to everyone who attended the Fete meeting on the 11th April. We will be having another progress meeting on Tuesday 9th May 5.45pm to 6.45pm. Please try to come along.

Set Date for Autumn Fair. The St John's will run it again this year with grateful help from UHCA. November 4<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup>. WW1 - Roger visited some of the WW1 sites on the Western Front in France to gather more information about Upper Hopton soldiers.

## 10 Report from the Management Committee.

The new Rateable Value for Croft House, following the enlargement and re-evaluation, is now £4,850. The old valuation was from £3700 to £3250 effective from 10 October 2016 and then from £5600 to £4850 effective from 1 April 2017. (Note this is a lower figure than that reported at the Meeting as this new data arrived by post the day after the Meeting). This new figure is based on an area calculation of 171.16 sq m plus 24.75 sq m for the new extension giving a total area of 195.91sq m. The area used for the old Rateable Value before the extension was 186.67 sq m. Why the valuation has gone down when we have enlarged the premises is unclear; the area before extension has been assessed as being lower than the figure previously used for the old Valuation but the new Valuation is lower than this reduction in area would indicate! Due to the 100% "Small Business Relief" there is no rate payable for 2017/18.

Following Roger's report to the committee it was resolved that CHRMC should support the kitchen refurbishment, the Secretary proposed and Joan seconded a proposition to make a donation to the UHCA. This was carried with no votes against. This cheque has been received with thanks.

The new Fire Risk Assessment document has been completed and a copy is on the notice board inside Croft House. Andrea has given a copy to all tenants and she has pointed out that the person in charge or Guarantor has responsibilities for the correct exit procedure and assembly in the event of a fire. The use of appropriate exits is also discussed with Guarantors.

We need a new up-to-date first aid kit. This has been purchased and is now in the kitchen.

A floor strip into the kitchen is missing, giving a trip hazard and this needs gluing back into place. Action Roger Richard wondered if we should have a music license for Croft House? Action Roger.

### 11 Hopton in Bloom. Spring judging was on Wednesday April 5th at 9.30 a.m.

Brendan Mowforth and Paul Marshall enjoyed their visit and we await their comments. They thanked everyone for the delicious cakes.

The Garden Trail will be on Saturday July 8th 10 am till 4pm. Please contact Alison if you would like to open your garden for the day.

Steel edging for both paths by the trellis is now ready and in the container.

The 4 Seats in the Rose Garden have been totally refurbished by David, a new resident in the village.

He has made an excellent job and they look better than they have done for years. He took 2 to his workshop but manage to do the other two in situ.

Calendar Photo competition. The theme is Views from Walks in Hopton and Mirfield. Closing date for entries is at end of June. Judging date in July is to be booked for Croft House

## 12 News and reports from the Club.

Vocalists Tom and James were at the Club on April 8th from. They were really good lads and have been invited back again

Coffee Morning in aid of Dementia May 6th (Donation of cakes welcome)

June 10th the Club will feature the band "Midlife Crisis".

There will be a Fashion Show in June and afternoon tea in August

## 13 Croft House Cookies

No report

## 14 News from the Cricket Club

Season under way with lots of junior players

# 15 News from Preschool.

Two new children have started with another 2 enquires

£146 was raised at the Easter raffle

Firefighters are coming next week to collect the clothing. If you have some and it needs collection contact Ruth Fundraising tea is to be set up, can you help please.

The children have been learning about 'The world around us' in their work with Hopton in Bloom. Each child is going to try to spot 10 items that they have seen in the grounds of Croft House, had involvement in making. Forms for sponsorship attached to minutes

A grant has been received for some new drawers and cupboards on casters so that it will be easier to tidy up and store away.

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

David Alderson has retired as Church Warden as he is moving to the Dales, and he will be very much missed Easter services particularly Easter Day morning were well attended with the children enjoying an egg hunt in church CHURCH HOUSE PRE-SCHOOL FAMILY FUN DAY - On Sunday, 7th May from 13:00 - 16:00, Church House Pre-School will be holding a Family Fun Day and you are all invited!

MOTHER'S UNION - Please come along and support us at our Coffee Morning to be held in St Mary's Community Centre this Wednesday 3rd May at 10am. There will be a raffle and various stalls. Tickets (£2.00) can be bought from either Anne or Joan or you can pay at the door. Hope to see you there.

ORGAN RECITAL – The next Organ Recital will be in St Mary's Church on Saturday 20th May at 3.00pm. The Organist will be Dr. Gordon Stewart.

MODEL RAILWAY EXHIBITION – This event will be held in St Mary's Community Centre on Saturday 20th May from 10am till 4pm. Adults £4 Children £2

YORKSHIRE SUPPER EVENING – 'Steel men from Sheffield need their hats'. This fun evening is on Saturday 27th May from 7.30 till 11pm in St Mary's Community Centre. Tickets are £12 supper included and a licensed bar FAMILY FUN AFTERNOON – 'Nursery rhyme and fairy tale characters abound'. Monday 29th May from 1.30 till 4.00pm in St Mary's Community Centre. Refreshments available with Tuck Shop. No charge but donations will be welcome.

CORNISH AFTERNOON TEA - 'The mysterious guest of the Lavender Ladies'

This will be held on Sunday 18th June from 12 noon until 4.00pm. Tickets are £12.

SAFARI SUPPER EVENING – This will be in various venues in and around St Mary's Community Centre on Saturday 24th June from 6.00pm onwards. Tickets will be £20

HEALTH WALKS – Future Saturday walks will be May 6th and 20th, setting off at 10.00am from St Mary's Church and June 3rd and 17th from St John's. If you would like any more information about these walks please contact David Alderson on 01924 517449 or Christine Conway on 01924 480261.

#### 17 AOB.

Joan reported that a property was broken into on Saturday night.

The Travellers Rest is under new management.

April 200 Club Draw

Ist prize £50; 159 2nd Prize £25. 50. 3rd Prize £10 4

Subs of £12 per annum per number are now due for the 200 Club for 2017. Margaret will be happy to take them at the meeting

Date of next meeting will be on Tuesday June 6th at 7.30 pm in Croft House