

Minutes UHCA September 3rd 2019 7.30 in Croft House.

2. Minutes of the last meeting on July 2nd 2019. Andrea proposed and Margaret seconded and all were in favour. Roger thanked John for chairing the last meeting.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes.

- At the UHCA meeting held in July the chair design and fabric type for the new Croft House chairs was agreed. An order for 100 chairs will be placed in September cost of £3500. How to dispose of chairs. Ideas please.
- The new car park sign has not yet been ordered. This will be ordered in September.
- Correspondence. A 6 month time limit has been set on behalf of the Secretary of State for Environment by The Planning Inspectorate, for the Kirklees Council's decision regarding the footpath at Carr Mount. A copy of the correspondence from The Planning Inspectorate dated the 15 July 2019 is available for review.

4. Correspondence

To the Chair & members of U.H.C.A, I would like to extend a huge thank you for your support and help given to the Red Box project Kirklees over the last 18 months

Your kindness has enabled us to educate, engage and support over 80 schools and colleges in Kirklees (Including primaries)

We have supplied products, presentations and support to teachers and students. This has opened-up debates in schools about period poverty, periods and the educational needs of students especially in years 5/6. Young students are now confident to ask for the box in school. This project has enabled the students to stay in school and continue with their education. The Project has highlighted the need for support to students in schools, because of this the government have promised to supply products to all schools from 2020.

This joyous news has made the project redundant. We cease to supply schools from October half-term and we will close.

The fact the project needed to exist was sad, the project has been a huge journey for everyone however the outcome is fantastic. This could not have been done without the support of local people and community help. So again, I would like to thank you all for your help, support and kindness. Loraine

5. Financial Report (Roger thanked Kath for her report).

Income		Expenditure	
Fete Sponsors	£1650	200 Club July and August	£170
Fete Takings	£2166	Stone and Copings for Wall	£1143
Donations	£60	Food and Drinks Fete	£372
		Roof Cleaning	£285
		Cement etc for Wall	£97
		Blackboard Paint and Inks	£33
		Fete items Birds of Prey	£240
		Punch and Judy	£120
		Treble Clef Sound	£200
		Clifton Band	£100
		Crafty Devils Circus	£200
		Foxwood Panyard	£250
		Event Furniture Hire	£367
		Tickets etc Aura Print	£999
		Stead and Sons Tarmac	£170
		First Aid	£195
	£3.876	Total	£4941

6. Croft House Maintenance

- The building and renovation of the wall at the rear of Croft House is now complete. Thanks are due to Mike for his splendid workmanship. The next phase is to lay a path and landscape the area.
- The Croft House car park edging has been completed thanks to HiB team and the tarmac was laid on the 5th August. The cost for the tarmac material and labour was £360.
- The cost of cleaning Croft House roof, gutters and application of weed killer was £285

7. Reports and Plans for Fundraising Events

- Wine My Bluff Tickets available from Roger and Chris at £10 each which includes all the tasting wines. There will also be a bar. We have two panellists but need a third. Raffle prizes are needed. Because of the large number of people on holiday **it was decided to change the date of the Wine My Bluff evening to Friday 4th October 7.30pm.** (As a consequence of the date change, we need three new panellists and a barman – volunteers please).
- The UHCA/St John's Autumn Coffee Morning will be on November 16th 10.00am to 2.00pm.
- Casino night in October. We need volunteer croupiers otherwise it will not happen.
- Should we have a Theatre Night? All agreed that we should.

8. Reports and plans on Community Projects

Report on the Village Fete Saturday July 27th:

The first thing to say I guess, is that the Upper Hopton Fete was very challenging this year, but the team of helpers rose to the challenge despite the weather. We had approximately sixty helpers on the day, selling tickets, manning car parks, providing musical entertainment in Croft House as well as catering and running the activities on the Recreation Ground. Not forgetting the installation team who were involved over a four-day period.

We are also truly thankful to all the gallant individuals and families who came along and paid the entrance money to support our annual Fete.

Thank you to Chris Breare for opening the Fete and braving the elements.

Luckily, we had a window of opportunity in the afternoon when it stopped raining and the Falconry Display could take place, but nothing was going to stop the girls from Katie Philpott's School of Dance as they performed magnificently in the rain.

We had twenty-seven different activities at the Fete this year as well as the catering in Croft House and the Coffee and Cake marquee. From the feedback we received, all the new events that were introduced this year were a success.

Thank you to everyone who donated prizes for the individual events and also all the prizes for the raffle, tombola, bottle tombola and cakes for our catering teams.

A big thank you to all our individual and commercial sponsors who make the Fete possible.

Mirfield Town Council sponsored the purchase of a new marquee, P.A. System Hire and the medical facilities on the day (£887).

After all our expenses (£3573) and sponsorship has been accounted for, we made a profit of £1476, well done to everyone.

A young man called Noah has not collected his football prize from the Fete (sorry do not have a second name).

The money we raised this year will contribute to the purchase of set of 100 new chairs for Croft House.

The 2020 Fete will be on Saturday 25th July. Fingers and everything else crossed for the weather in 2020.

We would like your feedback and any suggestions you might have about the Fete. Please send them via our website www.upperhoptonvillage.co.uk/contact-us or direct to Roger Leedham – rogerleedham11@gmail.com.

- Book Group meetings; September 9th and 23rd at 3.30pm to 5.00pm.

9. Hopton in Bloom.

Report on the Garden Trail held on Saturday July 6th.

It was a fantastic day with 578 attendances and Alison thanked everyone who opened their gardens

She thought that next year she would send a flyer round the village after Christmas to ask for volunteers to open theirs. The Children's involvement was great. Thanks to everyone who brought cakes and especial thanks to Kath and team for the catering on the day. And thanks too to Lynne for advertising on the radio. Next year we may need cones from Kirklees as there was some congestion on Jackroyd Lane.

Alison would love to have a Horse and carriage to transport people around the village.

Green Flag Award for Community Park

10. Croft House Cookies

The work of Samaritans in Kirklees September 24th at 8pm.

11. News from the Preschool.

Roger had a meeting on the 2-9-19 with Nicola and Rachel from Pre-School to discuss the quotation and details of the proposed 'soft-pour' play surface. Several minor questions were raised and Nicola will correspond with the supplier to obtain answers and ensure that there are no problems with the installation. The laying of the 'soft-surface' will take place week commencing 23-9-19. Pre School received a grant of £1000 to help fund the 'soft play surface'. They also raised £140 at the local Tractor Fair recently.

12. News from Club

Horse Racing night was a great success

13. News from the Cricket Club

Season has been good and finishes on September 14th

14. News from St John's Church.

- Scarecrow Festival. September 14th 10 till 3.30 is going well and already there are 17 scarecrows entered
- Harvest Festival September 15th at 11.15 Harvest Songs of Praise 6p.m Followed by Auction at the Club
- Organ Birthday Party Saturday September 21st 7 pm
- AGM Friends Thursday September 26th at 7.30 in St John's
- Sunday October 13th 11.15 Community Service St John's
- Dedication Lunch Sunday October 27th

15. AOB

200 Draw for July 2019

1st Prize £50	178
2nd Prize £25	159
3rd Prize £10	64

and August 2019

1st Prize £50	34
2nd Prize £25.	121
3rd Prize £10.	156

Date of next Meeting which will be the AGM on Tuesday October 1st at 7.30 pm in Croft House