

Minutes UHCA March 3rd 2020 in Croft House.

At the start of the meeting, Roger said that sadly, we have to pay tribute to Charles who was a stalwart of the Community Association and a representative for Neighbourhood Watch in the 80s and 90s, who has died at a

Proposed by Margaret and seconding Andrea and all in favour

3. Matters arising from the Minutes.

Insurance. After a great deal of research and negotiation with Michael Ha, Roger has negotiated a new overall policy with Allied Westminster, which will embrace the three previous policies, UHCA and the Management Committee, Hopton in Bloom (under the umbrella of UHCA to cover the telephone box and working around the village) and the Village Fete.

Chris thanked Roger for his diligence in negotiating in such fine detail to obtain the extremely comprehensive policy, which ensures we are covered when working as volunteers in various capacities.

5. Financial Report

Kath reported that it has been a relatively quiet month

Bank	Income		Expenditure	
Balance 03.03.2020	200 Club subs	£1,000	200 Club February	£85
	Donation	£25	Metal Waste bin Kitchen	£54
			Dishwasher Detergent	£13
		£1025	Total	£152

Roger thanked Kath for her report

6. Croft House Maintenance

- On the 19 February Alectrifix removed the ten fluorescent lights at the sides of the main hall of Croft House and replaced them with twenty GU10 LED downlights. (580W reduced to 100W). Hopefully the new downlights will give us more lighting options for different type of events.
- We still have six old style fluorescent tubes in the kitchen, Pre-School storeroom, back entrance and each of the toilets, but these rooms are not heavily used.
- The change of the (fifteen) larger downlights to LED type has reduced the power consumption with these lights from approximately 4500W to 450W.
- On the 4th April Michael Hem will start the pointing inside the front section of Croft House. An area approximately 3 metres from the front wall will be cordoned off while the work is being carried out. The regular activities in Croft House will not be affected.
- General decoration of Croft House will follow the pointing, so if you are handy with a paintbrush or roller let us know. It is a possibility that we might utilise the tower scaffolding used for the pointing to paint the high ceiling in the old section of Croft House.
- The new car park lighting will be started April / May.

7. Croft House Management Committee Report

The modified H & S Policy is under review by the committee.

8. Health & Safety

- The Health and Safety Policy for Croft House has been modified and now covers the activities of the CHMC, UHCA and HIB and is currently under review by the Croft House Management Committee. The revised H & S Policy and COSHH data sheets will be made available adjacent to the notice board in the front entrance lobby. Please familiarise yourself with the policy. Feedback would be very much appreciated.
- One of the emergency lights in the front entrance lobby has been replaced by Alectrifix.
- A problem was highlighted with the 'safety rings' on the plastic topped tables. This has been resolved but please let us know if there are any more problems.
- As a fire preventative measure, the plastic bins in the kitchen have been replaced with metal ones. The plastic toilet waste bins will also be replaced.

Following discussions with one of the users of Croft House, we need to emphasize to all users that the fire escape routes are via the front door and the side door, both of which are provided with push bars. Whilst the main storeroom is provided with a thumb-turn opener, this is intended for personnel that might be trapped in the storeroom in the event of a fire and is not a primary escape route.

9. Plans for Fundraising Events

- Jumble Sale March 7th, 9.30am. Jumble should be left at Croft House Friday 6th March between 5.00 and 7.00pm.
- A Murder Mystery Evening with the Emley Players Saturday 21st March 2020, 7.30pm. A three-course meal will be served. Tickets are £15 and are available from Chris or Roger. The menu is: **1st course** – Prawn Cocktail **or** Tomato & Mozzarella / **2nd course** – Beef in red wine **or** Coq au vin **or** Vegetable & Macaroni Cheese Bake / **Dessert** – Apple Pie **or** Black Forest Gateaux **or** Trifle. Please advise your meal preference when purchasing your tickets. There will be a licensed bar manned by Greg.
- Spring Craft Fair Saturday April 18th. Tables £15. See www.upperhoptonvillage.co.uk/UHCA for table application or contact Roger on rogerleedham11@gamil.com or 01924 493568.
- Thanks to Alison for preparing flyers and A3 posters for the three events.
(Because of ongoing problems with printing UHCA and HIB publicity material, it was agreed that we need to purchase a new printer. Alison will investigate and report back).
- Mikron Theatre Company are trying to fit us into their busy schedule, but it is already quite busy. See <https://mikron.org.uk/about/>

10. Reports and plans on Community Projects

- Book Group meetings; Monday March 9th and 23rd 15.30 -17.00
- Upper Hopton Fete 25th July 2020. We held an excellent meeting on the 18th February to discuss the proposed events and how we might improve the Fete. With the exception of Razan Alsous (Haloumi Cheese), all the events and performers that we had in 2019 have now been booked. We do not have a pet's corner for the children and would like some ideas. Hopefully the police mounted division will be able to attend and we will be asking the fire service if they will bring a fire engine for the children to explore. We need more volunteers to help with stalls, events, catering and generally helping the day run smoothly.

11 Hopton in Bloom.

Kath reported that the team have been busy planting a variety of new shrubs in the circles. There is still some under planting to do to give all year-round colour interest.

We have been tidying up the borders round Croft House, planting bulbs in the Recreation ground. We are grateful to Kirklees who have taken our rubbish and given us some wood clippings.

12 News from the Preschool

The staff and children have been busy putting a display in the phone box. Please go and have a look

13 Croft House Cookies

Tuesday March 24th

14 News from Club

The Coffee morning on Saturday February 15th 10-12 was a great success and raised over £440.

- March 13th Beetle Drive 7.30pm
- April 17th - Quiz
- 27th June Wimbledon themed event.
- They are also planning a Boules tournament.
- The chosen charity for this year is Mesothelioma UK

15 News from St John's Church.

St Paul's Lower vestry has been flooded and the Mid-week service on a Thursday at 10 am is now at St John's until the damage is cleared.

March 6th - World Day of Prayer for Everybody at Salvation Army in a different format, being a Breakfast from 7am-8am; A Prayer Meeting from 1:30pm-2:30pm and Soup & Roll from 6pm-7pm. There will be prayer stations for the full 12 hours.

HONLEY MALE VOICE CHOIR present a concert of traditional and modern songs - Friday 13th March at St Mary's

Black Dyke Band at St Mary's Thursday March 26th at 7.30

A Daffodil Coffee Morning March 28th 10 till 12 at St John's Church when hopefully our daffodils will be in full bloom.
Tickets £2.50 to include tea/coffee and cake.

Hammond Band Songs from the shows Saturday April 18th at 7.30 at St Paul's

16 AOB

The Pot Holes on Station Road are dreadful and it is proving difficult to drive as there is only a narrow road between the two lines of parked cars. Chris was asked to email Viv.

17 200 Draw February 2020

1st Prize £50 127

2nd Prize £25 63

3rd Prize £10 131

Roger thanked everyone for coming.

Date of next Meeting, which will be on Tuesday April 7th at 7.30 pm in Croft House