

7th January 2021

Dear Directors,

Following on from the cancellation of the meeting of DMFH Ltd , I thought I would update you on the current situation.

Financially , thanks to the Grant , the outstanding work of the DHSC and the very good support from our Members and Subscribers we are currently head above water . Obviously we will have no further income until hunting resumes , but we will be applying for any grants available .I have no doubt that the DHSC will come up with some scheme whereby we part with money painlessly .

With reference to the terms of the Masters Guarantee for the coming season , the MCSC Committee agreed that the Master could place a temporary caravan at the Kennels for staff accommodation and associated works . They also agreed that he could erect a temporary field shelter in the field behind the main stable block .

For their agreement , MCSC required a letter from DMFH Ltd to ensure that any work that is done, meets their requirements and to protect their committee and hunt trustees in case they become responsible for any costs or if any sanctions are imposed for any existing or new breaches of Planning or Listed Buildings regulations at the kennels . Deborah and Tony Goddard have agreed this letter of indemnity and it has been signed on behalf of DMFH Ltd.

Deborah has also prepared a side letter for Harry to deal with the terms on which DMFH will allow him to place a temporary caravan and field shelter at the kennels .

I would like to thank her for all her hard work on these matters .

With respect to Kennel maintenance, Alan is continuing to work when conditions allow. Currently his plan of replacing the boards and guttering on the stable block has been put on hold in favour of mending Harry Cook's wood burner as we have been let down by the company that promised to do it and he has been without it for some weeks now.

If anyone wishes further detail about any of the issues addressed in this letter , please feel free to contact any of the Officers .

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Boxing Day Cap for Hunt Staff. An amazing amount was collected and I am sure will be appreciated by all the staff.

I hope that we will be hunting before long , we are fortunate in having a longer season than many hunts . I look forward to seeing you all when we are able and in the meantime keep well, and if you are on the list , get vaccinated !

With Kind Regards ,

Julia