

**A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2009 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE, COPMANTHORPE at 7.30 pm**

**PRESENT:**

<b>COUNCILLOR D BOWEN</b>	<b>Chairman</b>
<b>COUNCILLOR B BELL</b>	
<b>COUNCILLOR D F PARKER</b>	
<b>COUNCILLOR S STERICKER</b>	
<b>COUNCILLOR MRS M STONES</b>	
<b>COUNCILLOR MRS M TAYLOR</b>	
<b>COUNCILLOR MRS C TOWNSEND</b>	
<b>COUNCILLOR A TRAVENA</b>	
<b>COUNCILLOR P WHITFIELD</b>	
<b>COUNCILLOR MRS A WINTER</b>	
<b>Mrs P D Greenwell</b>	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>Councillor I Gillies</b>	<b>City of York Council</b>

**1. APOLOGIES**

Councillor G Waite  
Councillor P Healey

City of York Council

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> February**, having been previously circulated, were held to be a true and correct record of that meeting. **PROPOSED** by Cllr Mrs Townsend. **SECONDED** by Cllr Mrs Taylor. **ALL IN FAVOUR.**

**4. CLERK'S REPORT**

Dog fouling leaflets have been given to the resident of Westfield Lane who came to the last meeting.

The application to the Lottery Awards for All was approved in full, however only £540 of the £2,000 granted will be needed as we have the balance from the Ward Committee.

Paul Thackray, CYC, has agreed to come to our April meeting to discuss the proposals and plans for the new Park and Ride terminus at Askham Bar.

A letter is received from Mr and Mrs Elliot who have a reserved plot in the Burial Ground, and are concerned that it may not be theirs in perpetuity. The Parish Council confirmed that there are currently no plans to re-use old graves. The Clerk to respond.

## 5. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE MATTERS

It was noted that a police van had been parked in Station Road for two days, although in general the police are not as visible as they have been in recent months. It was also noted that forms are available to report speeding vehicles anonymously to the police.

## 6. RURAL WEST WARD

Following recent reports in the Press Cllr Gillies has met with David Alexander of First York. Buses will be withdrawn if they are not being used and therefore losing money. To keep the No. 13 bus running after 7.30 pm would require a subsidy from CYC of £100-£150 per day.

First do not necessarily want to make a profit from evening services, but they are not prepared to run them at a loss. There are plans for a service that will take the same route as the Coastliner, but it will not run through Copmanthorpe. CYC have written to First nationally and await a response. If nothing can be done the changes will come into effect from 26<sup>th</sup> April.

Cllr Paul Healey has spoken to the landlord at the Fox and Hounds, and he will re-instate the fence. If this does not happen the Enforcement Officer will take action.

## 7. CORRESPONDENCE

Invitations are received from **Copmanthorpe Scout Group** to attend the unveiling of the Rural Arts project Ceramic Mural at the Annexe Cafe on Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> March at 4.15 pm, and the unveiling of the new Minibus at the Scout hut on 1<sup>st</sup> April at 6.30 pm. Cllrs are asked to inform the Clerk if they wish to attend on 1<sup>st</sup> April.

All cllrs

We are informed that the **URBIE bus** will be at the Recreation Centre on Mondays between 7.00 and 9.00 pm.

The **Assistant Public Rights of Way Officer, CYC**, informs us that Walks 4 and 5 of the Jubilee Walks are no longer possible. The Parish Council website to be altered accordingly and Walks 4 and 5 removed from any packs in stock.

Cllr  
Whitfield

Letters of thanks for grant monies are received from the **Yorkshire Countrywomen** and the **Good Companions**.

**Mr Martin Pickard** informs us that a quote of £3,352 for the fence at the Recreation Centre has been accepted, and they therefore request the sum of £1,775 from the Parish Council's Sec. 106 funds. Cllr Mrs Stones has registered their interest in the PlayBuilder Fund.

A resident of Horseman Close has tripped and fallen in the passageway at the shops. She will be contacting the owner of the shops and CYC.

**8. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN****a) Planning**

An application at Manor Lodge Farm was considered this evening – no objection. Approvals are received for Bond Hill Ash Farm and 9 Potters Drive.

**b) Roads and Footpaths**

Litter pick is arranged for 28<sup>th</sup> March. Cllr Winter expressed her continuing concerns about the amount of litter in the village. It was RESOLVED to insert a strongly worded piece in the Newsletter about this.

Cllr  
Whitfield

Paul Thackray, CYC, is to attend our next meeting to talk about the new Park and Ride. The Clerk to request site of the Traffic Flow Survey in advance of that meeting.

Clerk

The 30 mph sign on Temple Lane is lying on the verge, however the speed de-restriction sign at Colton Lane crossroads has been replaced. The Post Office are considering re-siting the post box on Top Lane, the bus shelter at Manor Heath has been replaced, and a litter clean-up requested for New Moor Lane. Footpath slurry sealing will take place on Barbers Drive, Beadle Garth and Flaxman Croft during 2009-10. The missing litter bin on Memorial Green will be replaced this week. The crossover point at the allotments is still to be marked, and the damage to Yorkfield Lane by the school entrance has been notified to CYC Highways.

Faults in the Main Street/Moor Lane lighting scheme have been notified. Cllr Stericker and the CYC Street Environment officer have visited Mrs Leaf on Westfield Lane re dog fouling.

**c) Finance**

Three quotes have been requested for grass cutting, but only one received – from Dean Landscapes for £4,029.50. Cllr Parker PROPOSED that this be accepted. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Winter. ALL IN FAVOUR.

**9. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

As agreed last month, the Clerk has invited representatives from all village organisations who will be in receipt of grants from the Parish Council next year to attend the meeting, and an item for them to speak will be included on the agenda. Clerk

**10. ALLOTMENTS**

Drafts of proposed new Tenancy Agreement and Question and Answer sheet for the website have been circulated. Cllrs are asked to let Cllr Bell have any comments on these by the end of the month, prior to a discussion at the next Roads and Footpaths Committee meeting. In the meantime it was RESOLVED that the rent for the coming year be unchanged.

All cllrs

**11. CARNIVAL AND STREET FAIR**

Two stalls have been booked.

The Clerk to purchase new display board as previously agreed.

Cllr Whitfield to bring new banner.

Clerk/Cllr  
Whitfield

**12. PROMOTION OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

Item for May newsletter on litter, as stated above, to be drafted by Cllr. Whitfield and passed to Cllr Stericker and the Clerk for comment.

Cllr  
Whitfield

Nigel White from the Scout Group is to insert a double page spread in the Newsletter about their recent community activities, acknowledging the help and financial support of the Parish Council.

**13. GARDEN COMPETITION**

The new Committee for this year has met for the first time. It was agreed that an additional category for Best Child's Vegetable Plot was needed. Adult categories to be as last year. An entry form will appear in the May newsletter, together with a brief history of the competition. Cllr Mrs Taylor has agreed to take photographs of the gardens. Next meeting will be on 18<sup>th</sup> March.

**14. RISK ASSESSMENT**

A second draft has been prepared, and Cllr Travena will circulate this for comments.

Cllr  
Travena

**15. RECREATION CENTRE**

Nothing further to report.

**16. BROADBAND**

The Clerk has been unable to get any information from Yorkshire Forward about Eskdalenet. It was therefore agreed not to respond to their letter.

**17. RURAL ARTS PROJECT**

The first project, led by the Scouts, is now complete.

The Archaeological Society and Quackers may still be interested.

**18. ACCOUNTS**

**Balances at the Bank**

Community Account	£	5,216.57
Business Money Manager Account		26,752.25
	£	31,968.82

Credits to the Account this Month

Ward Committee – grant for Rural Arts Project	£	1,300.00
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Accounts to be Paid this Month

Rural Arts	£	1,800.00
CYC – burial ground rates		133.38
Nigel White – re Rural Arts Project		40.52
Yorkshire Water – burial ground		15.79
Yorkshire Water – allotments		6.73
P D Greenwell – expenses		112.08
P D Greenwell – salary		435.53
	£	2,544.03

The adoption of these Accounts was PROPOSED by Cllr Mrs Winter.  
SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Townsend. ALL IN FAVOUR.

**19. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

- Park and Ride
- Garden Competition
- Street Fair - rota

**20. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> April 2009 at 7.30 pm, to be preceded by a Meeting of the Planning Committee at 7.00 pm  
Interim meeting of the Planning Committee on Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> March at 7.15 pm in the Methodist Church Hall.  
Roads and Footpaths Committee – 7<sup>th</sup> April 2009 at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.35 pm.

Signed ..... Date .....

