

**MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY 8TH
NOVEMBER 2011 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE, COPMANTHORPE at 7.30
pm**

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR P WHITFIELD Chairman
COUNCILLOR MRS J AUTON
COUNCILLOR D BOWEN
COUNCILLOR D CARR
COUNCILLOR REV G MUMFORD
COUNCILLOR D F PARKER
COUNCILLOR G SIMPSON
COUNCILLOR MRS M TAYLOR
COUNCILLOR MRS C TOWNSEND

Mrs P D Greenwell
Mr Nigel White

Clerk to the Parish Council
Copmanthorpe Scout Group

Before the business of the Meeting began Mr White, who is organising the Jubilee 'Welcome to Copmanthorpe' signs, asked what financial help might be available from the Parish Council. He wonders if any application for funding from other sources might have a better chance of success if a combined application, including projects put forward by other village organisations, was submitted.

The Heritage Lottery Fund is seen as a likely source of funding for the signs, as they fit the required criteria. It was suggested that Patrick Solich be approached to make such an application.

The Chairman stated that the Parish Council had made provision for funding Jubilee projects in its budget for this year, and organisations should apply to the Parish Council for this.

1. APOLOGIES

Councillor Bell
Councillor Healey – City of York Council

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

- 3. MNUTS OF THE MEETING held on TUESDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2011**, having been previously circulated, were held to be a true and correct record of that Meeting.
PROPOSED by Cllr Bowen. **SECONDED** by Cllr Mrs Townsend. **ALL IN FAVOUR.**

4. CLERK'S REPORT

A skip has been booked for the allotments. It will be delivered early Saturday morning, 19th November, and taken away the following Monday morning. A letter will be given to each allotment holder advising of these arrangements. Clerk

A wreath for the Chairman to lay at the village Service of Remembrance has been purchased from the Royal British Legion at a cost of £17.00.

The Clerk will seek quotes for works to a tree in the footpath Low Green/
Top Lane which is overhanging a resident's garage. Clerk

5. PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

It had been hoped that a potential candidate for the vacancy on the Parish Council would have attended this evening, but this has not been the case. The Clerk will try to ascertain whether or not he is still interested. Clerk

6. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

There have been 3 incidences of car tyres being slashed in the centre of the village. Youths have again been gathering at the Recreation Centre and on Low Green. The Police are trying to establish some kind of dialogue with them, and Cllr Simpson has told the police of our wish to help in the re-establishment of the Youth Club. Staff in the new Londis shop need to work with the police in respect of alcohol sales, in the same way as those in the Co-op. It was AGREED that Cllr Simpson should write a piece for the Newsletter asking parents if they are always aware of their Cllr children's whereabouts are in the evenings. Simpson

7. TASK FORCE

The group will not meet tomorrow as no Councillor can be present. They will meet again on 23rd November when they will work in the centre of the village. Cllr Whitfield expressed the thanks of the Parish Council for the good work being done by the Task Force.

8. MEMORIAL BENCH

No further progress. It was suggested that a bench in memory of Paul Band could be sited outside the Indian Take-away, in front of the cycle racks.

9. ENERGY CONSERVATION GROUP

The Group had met on 2nd November and agreed that a Public Exhibition be held on 22nd February, and that a notice to this effect would be placed in the Village Newsletter.

10. RURAL WEST YORK

No report. No Councillor present.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

Julian Sturdy, MP, informs us of a meeting he will be holding on 23 February in Stockton on Forest Village Hall at 6.00 pm to discuss matters, such as Localism, which are of interest to Parish Councils. Cllrs Whitfield, Mrs Townsend Cllrs and, possibly, Cllrs Parker and Carr will attend.

CYC inform us that Snow Warden training will take place on 19th November. Cllr Mumford will take the place reserved for Cllr Carr, who is now not able to attend.
Clerk

A resident of Wilstrop Farm Road has requested further information on the Green Energy group. Four new people had attended the most recent meeting.

The salt bins are now in place. Any additional ones will have to be funded by the Ward Committee.

12. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**a) Planning**

The Planning Report had been circulated.

An application for a small wind turbine on Temple Lane, in the parish of Acaster Malbis, has been refused.

Fulford Parish Council had hosted a meeting to discuss the CYC Core Strategy. Fulford, and other Parishes within the Outer Ring Road, are more immediately affected by this than Copmanthorpe, but detailed objection have been submitted by the Parish Council as it is highly likely that the strategy will be carried forward in years to come. The Wind Farm Action Group has objected.

b) Roads and Footpaths

No report.

c) Finance

A meeting to discuss the grant applications, and also funding requests in relation to Jubilee projects, will take place on 6th December at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall.

13. EVENTS GROUP

Howell Hall We now have a copy of the Youth Club Constitution, but we need to find out who originally drew up this document and try also to find minutes from early meetings of the Management Committee. It was AGREED that we should ask David Clerk/ Kershaw, Ware & Kay Solicitors, to do a Land Registry search and investigate any Cllr

Trust relating to the Youth Club.

Bowen

The present members of the Youth Club committee are to interview Kirsty Levey, and the parish Council has been contacted by two further volunteers who wish to help with a re-launched Youth Club. There has also been contact with Ellie Bromley, Area Youth Leader for Rural York and Steve Flattley, Assistant Director of Youth Services,

both at CYC.

Queen's Diamond Jubilee A third meeting will be held on 1st December in the Scout HQ at the Recreation Centre, and those organising projects have been asked to come with specific requests for funding. It has been agreed to:

give a Commemorative coin to all children in the village of Primary School age (Parish Council to fund).

install a clock, and plaque, on the outside wall of the Old School Medical Centre (Parish Council to fund). This has been agreed in principle with the Practice.

hold a family picnic at the Recreation Centre, possibly with a brass band.

install 'Welcome' signs at the Top Lane and Manor Heath entrances to the village. (Nigel White to organise)

hold Open Gardens, to be organised by the two Churches.

hold a 1950s themed day at the School. The 'Early Years Partnership' will do something similar.

Copmanthorpe Heroes Two nominations received so far. To be discussed at the next meeting of the Events Group.

14. RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Little to report from the last meeting. Council tenants elsewhere are benefitting to the tune of £100 per year from solar panel tariffs. However the generation tariffs will halve next month, and in any case this is not likely to happen in Copmanthorpe.

15. RECREATION CENTRE

The area in which the play builder equipment is sited has been given a Low Risk rating by ROSPA. A rubber bumper is needed on the gate of the younger children's play area.

The Committee is to have a demonstration of an infrared camera.

No action to be taken this year in respect of the snow tractor.

Netting is to be fixed to posts in front of the play builder area for the summer months at a cost of £1,5000, in an attempt to alleviate problems during cricket matches.

The next meeting will be on 24th November.

16. CHANGE OF NAME

Following the request in the Newsletter for the views of residents on a possible change of name for the Parish Council, only one reply (opposed to the proposal) has been

received. As there was no consensus amongst Councillors it was AGREED to defer any change for the time being.

17. ACCOUNTS

Balances at the Bank

Community Account	£	28,307.09
Business Money Manager Account		21,802.38
	£	50,109.47
Credits to the Account this Month		
CYC – 2 nd half of Precept	£	13,080.00
Interest on Business Money Master Account	£	3.80
	£	13,083.80
Accounts to be Paid this Month		
City of Bradford Metropolitan Council (transformer)	£	121.99
Stuart Auton Plumbing – re allotments	£	75.00
YLCA – Councillor training	£	35.00
P D Greenwell – expenses	£	23.49
P D Greenwell – salary	£	440.34
Petty Cash	£	30.00
	£	752.82

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

18. ACTION REVIEW

No further information has been received from CYC. Cllr Mrs Townsend will pursue this with Paul Brand. Cllr Mrs Townsend

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 13th December 2011 in the Howell Hall at 7.30 pm. To be preceded by a meeting of the Planning Committee at 7.00 pm.

The Finance Committee will meet on Tuesday 6th December 2011 in the Howell Hall at 7.30 pm.

There will be an interim meeting of the Planning Committee on either Wednesday 23rd or 30th November (depending upon applications received) at 7.15 pm in the Methodist Church Hall.

20. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Community Resilience Scheme

There being no further business the Meeting closed t 9.40 pm

Signed Date