

**A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY
12th JUNE 2012 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE at 7.30 pm**

PRESENT: **COUNCILLOR P WHITFIELD** **Chairman**
 COUNCILLOR MRS J AUTON
 COUNCILLOR D BOWEN
 COUNCILLOR MR D CARR
 COUNCILLOR MR D F PARKER
 COUNCILLOR MR G SIMSON
 COUNCILLOR A SMITH
 COUNCILLOR MRS M TAYLOR
 COUNCILLOR MRS C TOWNSEND

Mrs P D Greenwell **Clerk**
 Councillor C Steward **City of York Council**
 Mrs A Winter
 Mr R Macdonald

Before the business of the Meeting began Mrs Winter, a member of the Recreation Centre Management Committee, said they have received requests for a skateboard facility in the village. Suggested sites include the land over the bridge, until recently used by the football club (not possible as the farmer wishes to sell the land), on the new road near to the balancing pond, and the field on the right opposite the pond (owned by Mr White of Bond Hill Ash Farm). It is possible that there may be land available at the School, which would be the best option as it is more central to the village.

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr the Rev G Mumford
Cllr P Healey

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held TUESDAY, 8 May 2012, having been previously circulated, were held to be a true and correct record of that Meeting. **PROPOSED** by Cllr Simpson. **SECONDED** by Cllr Mrs Townsend. **ALL IN FAVOUR.**

4. CLERK'S REPORT

Our nomination of Cllr Simpson to sit on the CYC Standards Board has been accepted. Members confirmed that they are happy for him to take up this representative post.

The Report from the Internal Auditor is received. All is in order, but we need to review our Risk Assessment. The Chairman and Clerk to discuss. Chairman/
Clerk

No reply has been received to our letter to CYC expressing our concerns about electronic planning consultation.

The first allotment inspection has taken place, and plots where work is needed noted. Further inspections will take place in September and December, after which letters will be sent to allotment holders whose plots are found to have not been properly worked all year.

It is PROPOSED that we once again sponsor 2 boards at the Art Exhibition, which forms part of the Carnival week. AGREED.

5. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

No major problems, and it is felt that the village is being policed appropriately on Friday and Saturday nights. There will soon be a new police team working in Copmanthorpe based in Acomb.

6. TASK FORCE

Work is ongoing. The Chairman thanked members of the Task Force for their help in putting up and taking down the Jubilee bunting.

7. HOWELL HALL

Cllrs Bowen and Simpson have drafted a letter to the five people believed to have sat on the previous Management Committee. They are invited to a meeting on 17 July to try to find a way to progress matters. Clerk

Following this meeting, a letter will be sent to those who it is felt may be interested in joining the Committee eg. Graham Auton, Rob Macdonald and members of other village organisations. However the Committee should have at least two members from the Parish Council. Cllrs Bowen, Simpson, Smith and Mrs Auton are delegated to draft this second letter.

8. DIAMOND JUBILEE

All our Jubilee projects are now complete. The Clock and Plaque are in place, the Commemorative Coins have been distributed and the Welcome signs have been unveiled.

The planters are in place and planted up. Mr Roy Pawsey will water the one on Manor Heath, Cllr Carr will water the one on Tadcaster Road, and Cllr Mrs Townsend will ask Mr Trevor Walton if he will look after the one on Temple Lane. Cllr Mrs Townsend

Cllr Simpson thanked those Councillors who had helped to distribute the coins, and the Chairman thanked all who have helped with these projects, especially Cllr Mrs Auton.

9. VILLAGE GREEN

At the most recent meeting, 3 weeks ago, the Group decided that it would seek to establish “green corners” in the village, where fruit trees and bushes could be planted on spare areas of land. One possible place would be in front of the Howell Hall, once the future of the hall is known. Another possibility is the land opposite the allotments. Askham Bryan College can provide manure, seeds, bushes etc. and have been asked to consider what other assistance they may be able to provide.

10. CARNIVAL

Cllrs Simpson and Mrs Townsend are not available on Carnival Day. The Clerk will draw up and circulate a rota for manning the stall. Clerk

11. RURAL WEST YORK

The next Ward meeting will be on Wednesday, 20 June in the Village Hall at Askham Richard.

CYC have withdrawn the Core Strategy, following the decision to allow Monks Cross 2 to go ahead. The decision will be called in, but may or may not go to planning appeal. The Core Strategy has to be complete by 2013.

12. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

A second meeting of representatives from the Planning Committee has been held. Other village residents had been invited but were not able to attend. The next meeting will be on 23 June at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall. The Chairman of the Group will be Cllr Whitfield, and Cllr Mrs Taylor will act as Secretary. The City of York Council will be informed of our intention to draw up a Neighbourhood Plan.

Progress will be difficult, due the withdrawal of the Core Strategy. However, the group has drawn up a list of issues around the village which should be included. In order to begin seeking the views of residents there will be a poster and questions on the Parish Council stall at the Carnival.

13. MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT

The Model Code of Conduct received from YLCA had been circulated by the Clerk for discussion. Cllr Mrs Taylor PROPOSED that this should be accepted. SECONDED by Cllr Simpson. ALL IN FAVOUR.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

Letters of thanks for grant funding have been received from the Occasion Choir, the Yorkshire Countrywomen, Copmanthorpe Horticultural Show, Panda Playgroup, Copmanthorpe Cricket Club and the Good Companions.

The WI invites members to the launch of its Jubilee Cookbook. Cllr Chris Steward will attend.

Information on forthcoming training days is received from YLCA.

15. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

a) Planning

The monthly planning report has been circulated.
The application for 2 holiday homes on Drome Road has been refused.
Approval has been granted for a new porch at St Giles Church.
Among a group of applications discussed earlier this evening was one for 11 dwellings on the site currently occupied by the Fox and Hounds, to which a number of objections were raised.

b) Roads and Footpaths

Minutes of the Meeting held 29 May have been circulated.
The footpath from the top of Manor Heath to its junction with Horseman Drive is to be resurfaced.
There is a large pothole in Main Street opposite the entrance to the farm.
The hedge to the property at the corner of College Road and St Nicholas Road is overgrowing the footpath.
The 30 mph sign at the corner of Main Street and St Giles Way has been knocked sideways by a vehicle.

The post box on Hallcroft Lane has been demolished by a vehicle, but will be replaced.

There is a lack of signage to Copmanthorpe and Bishopthorpe on both the East and West bound carriageways of the A64. The Clerk to contact the Highways Agency about this.

Clerk

c) Finance

Nothing to report.

16. RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Nothing to report.

17. CORONATION CUP

A report has been circulated. The final number of entries is 19, from 15 people.

18. RECREATION CENTRE

The AGM has been held. Membership of the Committee, and Officers, are unchanged from last year. Harold Wood has retired after many years service to the Recreation Centre. Cllr Mrs Taylor is the new Parish Council representative, in place of Cllr Whitfield.

19. ACTION REVIEW

Cllr Simpson will liaise with Brian Bell to transport the notice board to the school and install it at the Merchant Way entrance.

Cllr
Simpson

20. ACCOUNTS

The first half of the Precept, £13,080.00, is received.

Balances at the Bank

Community Account	£	25,940.89
Business Money Manager Account		21,809.99
	£	47,750.88

Credits to the Account this Month

HMRC – VAT refund	£	290.63
Allotments Receipts Nos. 92-100		186.50
Allotments Receipts Nos. 1-12		275.50
Allotments Receipts Nos. 13-24		222.50
	£	975.13

Accounts to be Paid this Month

Electrotest – installation of Jubilee Clock	£	421.00
Dean Landscapes Limited		360.00
David Whiteman – Jubilee Planters		145.37
Jean Auton – refreshments, varnish for public seats etc.		37.50
P D Greenwell – expenses		40.04
P D Greenwell – salary April		352.94
P D Greenwell – salary May and June		705.88
CPI Corporate Solutions- VAT on Jubilee coins		103.00
Peter Whitfield – Jubilee bunting		57.23
	£	2,222.96

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

21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 10 July 2012, in the Howell Hall at 7.30 pm.
To be preceded by a meeting of the Planning Committee at 7.00 pm.
An interim meeting of the Planning Committee will be held on Wednesday, 27 June at 7.15 pm in the Methodist Church Hall.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.30 pm.

Signed Date