

**A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY 11 JUNE  
2013 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE at 7.30 pm**

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

**Mrs P D Greenwell**                    **Clerk**  
                                 **Councillor P Healey**                    **City of York Council**

**1. APOLOGIES**

Councillor R Macdonald.

**2. NEW COUNCILLOR**

Mr Brian Bell was welcomed back to the Council, and signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office, which was witnessed by the Clerk.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS**

None.

**4. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held TUESDAY 14 MAY 2013,**  
having been previously circulated, were held to be a true and correct record of that Meeting.  
**PROPOSED** by Cllr Smith. **SECONDED** by Cllr Whitfield. **ALL IN FAVOUR.**

**5. CLERK'S REPORT**

All matters will be covered under following agenda items.

**6. CYC DRAFT LOCAL PLAN AND NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

After a number of meetings it is now clear what the implications of the Draft Local Plan as it currently stands will be for Copmanthorpe. The Parish Council needs to decide how best to respond to this. After some discussion it was **AGREED** that an Action Group should be formed to oppose the Draft Plan, and that we should also accelerate the Neighbourhood Plan in order to be able to put this forward as a credible alternative to CYC's proposals.

We need to persuade as many people as possible to go to the two meetings next week – the Exhibition in the Howell Hall on Tuesday and the Ward Meeting on Thursday evening.

Cllr Smith will approach Mr Matthew Liston, who had expressed a wish to be involved in any efforts to object to the proposals in the Local Plan proposals so far as it relates to Copmanthorpe, to ask if he would be willing to be involved in, and hopefully co-ordinate, an Action Group. Cllr Smith

Cllr Whitfield will design a leaflet, to go to every house in the village, asking for support with the Action Group, with a template letter of objection. Cllr Whitfield

Cllr Carr will draft a detailed letter from the Parish Council, listing all our concerns and objections, for submission before the end of the consultation period, 31 July. This letter will also make reference to the Neighbourhood Plan, which, if it is to be adopted, will need to have the backing of the village.

Cllr Healey advised that, following the entire consultation exercise, the final Local Plan will be available in February 2014. It was AGREED that we should aim to have the Neighbourhood Plan complete by November this year and, if necessary, be willing to pay for professional expertise to ensure that the document is as robust as possible.

Cllr Healey promised to get the full list of sites which were offered by landowners when the Call for Sites was issued, and also the criteria used in choosing which sites should be put forward. Cllr Healey

## **7. BOUNDARY COMMISSION REVIEW**

The proposals contained in the Review are based on a population increase in Copmanthorpe of just 9 people over the next five years. It is hard to see how this sits with a need for even 300 houses in the same period of time. Copmanthorpe would be stand alone Ward with just one Councillor. Rural West would encompass all the villages that it currently has, with the addition of Skelton. The Clerk to respond. Clerk

## **8. 20 IS PLENTY**

One further letter of support for this has been received from a resident. After a lengthy discussion on the need for this in Copmanthorpe, Cllr Mrs Townsend PROPOSED that we respond with a suggestion that additional Vehicle Activated Speed Signs would be a better use of the money. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Taylor. 7 IN FAVOUR. 1 AGAINST. The Clerk to respond. Clerk

## **9. RURAL WEST YORK**

Nothing further to add, but Cllr Healey urged Councillors to do all they can to persuade residents to attend the 2 meetings on the Draft Local Plan next week.

## **10. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE**

The village remains fairly quiet, although there has been some disturbance in Fletchers Croft.

**11. HOWELL HALL AND YOUTH CLUB**

Last week 44 young people attended the Youth Club. There are 2 new volunteers but more are still needed.

**12. PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND PARK AND RIDE**

A report had been circulated. Since the meeting in Haxby organised by Julian Sturdy MP there has been no further news on the number 13 bus service.

Work on the new Park and Ride site is now well underway.

**13. CORONATION CUP**

After a slow start a total of 11 adult entries and 4 children's entries have been received, the youngest competitor being a little boy aged 3. Judging by Kymm Queen will take place on 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> June, and the prize giving will be at the Horticultural Show in the Methodist Church on 13<sup>th</sup> July.

**14. BURIAL GROUND TREES**

The original report and 2 quotes for suggested work to the trees are to hand. The work would be best carried out in the autumn, together with the planting of any new or replacement trees.

**15. CARNIVAL**

Carnival Day, 6 July, is another opportunity to draw people's attention to the Local Plan. Hopefully all three Ward Councillors will be there at some time during the afternoon. Cllrs Simpson, Mrs Taylor and Mrs Townsend will not be available. The Clerk will draw up a Rota for manning the stall.

Clerk

**16. VILLAGE PHOTOGRAPHIC ARCHIVE**

Cllrs Whitfield and Mrs Taylor have had preliminary discussions about this, and are considering a competition and an exhibition. This will probably be some time in the winter.

**17. RISK ASSESSMENT**

Cllr Whitfield to ask Mr Alan Travena for help in updating his original work.

Cllr  
Whitfield

**18. CORRESPONDENCE**

An invitation to the CPRE's summer outing, to Yorkshire Lavender at Terrington is received.

We are informed by the Environment Agency that they are minded to grant a Permit for the proposed incinerator at Allerton Park. There is now a final Consultation on this Draft Decision.

Letters and emails thanking the Parish Council for the grant monies have been received from almost all organisations to whom grants were paid last month.

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

Cllr Mrs Taylor had attended a training session on Electronic Planning Consultation run by CYC. E-planning is to be fully implemented by the end of this year, although paper plans will still be sent out for proposals of more than 20 properties. We will need to purchase a laptop, projector and screen, and Cllrs Smith, Whitfield, Simpson and Mrs Taylor will form a Group to discuss what is required, and how costs might be shared with the Youth Club/Howell Hall and possibly a Community Cinema.

Cllrs

An application at 35 Temple Lane has been granted, and one at 125 Temple Lane has been withdrawn.

**b) Roads and Footpaths**

It is noted that the area around the shops is once again very untidy, especially outside Londis. The Clerk to write to their Head Office asking that this situation be addressed.

Clerk

**c) Finance**

No meeting has been held, nothing to report.

**20. RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION**

Cllr Carr had not been able to attend the last meeting.

**21. RECREATION CENTRE**

A report has already been circulated.

**22. ACTION REVIEW**

It is no longer possible to apply to the Heritage Lottery Fund for funding for the

Heritage Trail.

The Brownies and Mr David Whiteman have replanted the Jubilee planters.  
The Clerk to write letters of thanks to both.

Clerk

**23. ACCOUNTS**

Balances at the Bank

Community Account	£	23,406.29
Business Money Manager Account		21,825.23

	£	45,231.52
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Credits to the Account this Month

The first half of the Precept, £13,941.50, is received.

Accounts to be Paid this Month

Copmanthorpe Village Magazine	£	492.50
Dean Landscapes Limited		180.00
David Whiteman – re Jubilee Planters		35.74
Yorkshire Water – burial ground		19.06
Yorkshire Water – allotments		5.51
P D Greenwell – expenses		25.09
P D Greenwell – salary		362.45
Brighter Gardens		350.00
Caroline Anderson – June PC News		60.00

	£	1,530.35
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The adoption of these Accounts was AGREED.

**24. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

CYC Local Plan and Neighbourhood Plan  
Risk Assessment

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.55 pm.

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

