A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2013 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR D CARR

COUNCILLOR MRS J AUTON

COUNCILLOR B BELL

COUNCILLOR MRS A LITTLE COUNCILLOR D F PARKER COUNCILLOR MRS M TAYLOR COUNCILLOR MRS C TOWNSEND

Mrs P D Greenwell
Cllr I Gillies
Clerk to the Parish Council
City of York Council

Chairman

1. APOLOGIES

Councillor G Simpson Councillor A Smith Councillor P Whitfield

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

None.

3. CLERK'S REPORT

The Chairman informed the Meeting of his intention to stand down from the Chairmanship in May 2014. He will remain on the Council and will continue to take an active role in the Neighbourhood Planning Group.

All other matters are agenda items.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held Tuesday 8 October 2013, having been previously circulated, were held to be a true and correct record of that Meeting. PROPOSED by Cllr Mrs Auton. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Taylor. ALL IN FAVOUR.

5. RURAL WEST YORK

Very little to report from the last meeting. The police had spoken about the recent spate of burglaries in Copmanthorpe, following which two people have been arrested.

6. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING GROUP

A draft of the Plan is now ready and consists of approx 10 sections. Cllrs Carr and Cllrs Whitfield are meeting on Thursday with a special adviser who will tell us if we are Carr & proceeding correctly, and Cllr Bell has asked Julian Sturdy MP if his team which Whitfield

responded to the Draft Local Plan has any expertise they can share with us.

Over 700 questionnaires have been returned to the Clerk and Mrs Wendy Rayne-Davies is going to analyse the results.

Cllr Gillies said that the reason given for CYC delaying approval for the designation of the Neighbourhood Plan from the Decision Session on 14 November 2013 to the Cabinet Meeting on 7 January 2014 was to consider the financial and personnel resource commitments by CYC for supporting Neighbourhood Plans. However we should press on with the preparation of our Neighbourhood Plan.

Cllr Carr is trying to arrange a meeting with the Chairman of Dunnington Parish Council to discuss how they are proceeding with their Plan.

Cllr Carr

It was noted that this is a good opportunity to review the Village Design Statement, which was written about ten years ago.

7. CITY OF YORK DRAFT LOCAL PLAN

The first stage of the consultation is now complete. A total of 16,364 responses have been received, which equates to 8.26% of the population. These include responses from organisations such as English Heritage, Yorkshire Water and the Highways Agency, as well as neighbouring local councils.

Copmanthorpe had submitted a petition of 837 signatures, and this was one of a number opposing the Plan which were submitted before 31 July.

8. BURIAL GROUND TREES

The Clerk has instructed Arborwise Tree Surgeons to carry out the works discussed earlier in the year, and to plant a replacement memorial tree for Stuart Elliot on behalf of his family.

9. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

The police report shows a worrying increase in burglaries in Copmanthorpe in recent weeks. The police have assured us that they are carrying out additional patrols and will have an increased presence in the village. Two people have already been apprehended.

10. PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Nothing to report on the number 13. There will be some night time working, between 9.00 pm and 6.00 am and road closures at the Park and Ride site in the next couple of weeks.

11. ALLOTMENTS

An inspection took place on 6 November and a number of plots were found to be in need of attention. The Clerk will write to those concerned, and there will be a further inspection in four weeks time.

Clerk/

Allots

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12. PHOTOGRAPHIC ARCHIVE

Following discussions it is suggested that this be organised to link in with the Carnival, with an exhibition of photographs in the Youth Club. Exhibitors will be asked to donate their photographs to the Archive.

13. HERITAGE TRAIL

In abeyance.

14. YOUTH CLUB

A qualified Youth Leader is being sought, and seven applications have been reduced to a shortlist of two. In the meantime members of the Management Committee are running the sessions.

15. STREET FAIR ORGANISATION

Cllr Mrs Auton had attended the recent meeting, and will go to the next one in January. It is agreed that new ideas and attractions are needed for next year.

Cllr Mrs Auton

16. CORRESPONDENCE

Three quite lengthy letters have been received in response to the Neighbourhood Plan.

City of York Council wishes to increase the rent for the allotments site next year by 11.7%, from £890 to £995. The rent is reviewed every three years, so this equates to slightly less than 4% per annum, and is therefore acceptable to the Parish Council. The increase will be passed on to plot holders. The Clerk to respond.

An email about the increasing number of burglaries is received from a concerned resident. The Clerk has responded.

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17. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

a) Planning

The Committee had objected to the design of the proposed development by McCarthy & Stone at the Fox & Hounds site.

The application at 27 Top Lane has been withdrawn and resubmitted.

Electronic planning consultation is now taking place and we need to purchase a laptop computer, projector and screen. It is estimated that this will cost approx. £1,000. However, it would be more cost effective to purchase a more advanced projection system and a larger screen at an estimated cost of around £2,000 so that this could be used by the Youth Club for showing films. A contribution to the cost of this would be discussed with the Youth Club.

PC & Youth Club

b) Roads and Footpaths

No meeting has been held.

c) Finance

A meeting to hold a preliminary discussion on grant applications received will take place on 4 December 2013 in the Methodist Church Hall.

Clerk & Fin Cttee

18. ACTION REVIEW

Nothing outstanding.

It is noted that Rebecca Craven, from Sprouts, may have some ideas about the scarecrow competition.

19. ACCOUNTS

Balances at the Bank

Community Account Business Money Manager Account	£	22,854.43 21,829.33
	£	44,683.76
Credits to the Account this Month		
City of York Council – ½ year Precept Re: Howard Child	£	13,941.50 375.00
	£	14,316.50

Accounts to be Paid this Month

City of York Council – ½ year allotment rent	£	445.00
Technoprint – PC questionnaires		410.00
Brighter Gardens – grass cutting		350.00
Aetherweb Limited		120.00
David Whiteman – winter bedding plants		28.00
York Poppy Appeal		17.00
P D Greenwell – expenses		7.99
P D Greenwell – salary		362.45
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	£	1,740.84

The adoption of these Accounts was PROPOSED by Cllr Mrs Auton. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Taylor. ALL IN FAVOUR.

20. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Electronic planning consultation Heritage Trail Bequest

21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 10 December 2013 at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall. This will be preceded by a meeting of the Planning Committee at 7.00 pm.

An interim meeting of the Planning Committee will take place on Wednesday 27 November 2013 in the Methodist Church at 7.15 pm.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.00 pm.