

**A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY, 14th
OCTOBER 2014 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE, COPMANTHORPE at 7.30 pm**

PRESENT:

COUNCILLOR D CARR	Chairman
COUNCILLOR B BELL	
COUNCILLOR M LISTON	
COUNCILLOR MS A LITTLE	
COUNCILLOR MRS M MILLER	
COUNCILLOR MS J SAXTON	
COUNCILLOR G SIMPSON	
COUNCILLOR P WHITFIELD	
Mrs P D Greenwell	Clerk
Councillor C Steward	City of York Council
Two members of the public	

Before the meeting began a resident of Barons Crescent voiced his concerns about the lack of consultation with residents, or the Recreation Centre Committee, on the proposed fireworks and live music event organised by the Sports and Social Club. He feels it will not be a suitable event for the village, and was aimed primarily at younger people coming from outside Copmanthorpe.

Cllr Whitfield, who is the Parish Council representative on the Recreation Centre Committee, had not been at the last meeting due to being away on holiday, but had circulated to Parish Council Members a lengthy report on the matter. He explained that, once they had been made aware of what was proposed, and of the campaign on Facebook opposing it, they met with 3 members of the Facebook group. Much of what had been written was based on hearsay and rumour, and the website set up to promote the event went 'live' before the information upon it was complete. Following this, there was an extraordinary meeting of the Recreation Centre Committee at which the event organisers said that in view of the ill feeling which had been caused they had decided to scale back the event, and it will now be purely a firework event, community based and with no live music.

It is hoped that any future events will be preceded by better consultation with the Recreation Centre and residents, and that the kind of unpleasant and personal attacks used by some people on Facebook will be avoided.

A resident of Station Road expressed his concerns about the difficulties caused for traffic, particularly buses, by vehicles parked on both sides of the road, particularly by visitors to the WI Hall. It was suggested that the resident ask the WI to urge users of, and visitors to, the Hall to park responsibly. The Parish Council will make a similar request, and also ask those groups and organisations in receipt of Parish Council grants which use the Hall to make a similar request to their members.

1. APOLOGIES

Councillor Mrs M Taylor
Councillor R West

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

None

- 3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on Tuesday, 9th September 2014,**
having been previously circulated, were held to be a true and correct record of that Meeting. PROPOSED by Cllr Simpson. SECONDED by Cllr Whitfield.
ALL IN FAVOUR.

4. CLERK'S REPORT

The reeds in the balancing pond have been cleared.

The trees in the play area to the rear of 25 Farmers Way, and neighbours, have been examined by CYC and no work required.

It was AGREED that, as in previous years, the Clerk should arrange for a skip at the allotments in November.

Clerk

5. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

Councillor West has prepared an analysis of 182 recorded crimes in the village over the past 12 months. Of these 94 were anti-social behaviour, 31 were burglaries, 13 were violence and sexual assault and 7 were drugs. Copmanthorpe is still a very safe and pleasant place in which to live.

A response to the Chairman's letter to the Police and Crime Commissioner has been received. It comes from Temporary police Sargeant Tim Craven, and states that there is no money available for Automatic Number Plate Recognition, however Cllr Steward stated that CYC is considering this as part of its transformation agenda.

6. FIREWORKS DISPLAY

Now scaled back – see above.

7. ACTION REVIEW

No news yet on cable under Low Green.

8. VEHICLE ACTIVATED SPEED SIGNS

Since last month's meeting, two additional quotes have been received, and a report circulated by Cllr West. It was AGREED that he should be asked to contact CYC to seek their permission to attach the device to their lamp posts and, if permission is granted, to make a recommendation at next month's meeting as to which company to use.

Cllr
West

9. COLD CALLING ZONE

Nothing to report.

Cllr
Simpson

10. RURAL WEST YORK

The next meeting for residents will be on 10th November 2014 in the Tithe Barn, Poppleton.

11. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The pre-submission period has now ended, and responses are being collated. In light of the halting of the consultation on the Draft Local Plan, CYC has requested additional time to comment on the Neighbourhood Plan. It is intended that the formal six week consultation, to be organised by CYC, will start on 1st November. We will ask CYC to provide a list of Examiners from whom to Choose.

12. CYC DRAFT LOCAL PLAN

Following the first round of consultation, and despite the great number of objections, the total number of houses now being proposed for Copmanthorpe has increased from 560 to 650. However, following a motion tabled by Cllr Anne Reid, requesting a review of the housing numbers and development strategy, consultation has now been halted, which means a further delay at least until November, and probably considerably later.

13. FLOODING IN SAWYERS CRESCENT

Cllr Carr, along with Cllr Steward and Julian Sturdy, MP had met with residents who had suffered flooding after a heavy downpour at the beginning of August. Surface water and foul water had bubbled up through the drains to a depth of about six inches. Julian Sturdy is in contact with Yorkshire Water, and the Parish Council will support whatever action is necessary to resolve this situation.

14. YOUTH CLUB AND HOWELL HALL

In view of the resignation of Cllr Mrs Auton, we need to elect a new representative.

15. PARK & RIDE AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Nothing to report.

16. ALLOTMENTS

In view of the resignation of Cllr Mrs Auton, Cllr Bell AGREED to be co-opted on to the Allotments Committee.
The Clerk to arrange for a skip in November.

Clerk

17. FIRST WORLD WAR EXHIBITION

Nothing to report.

18. HERITAGE TRAIL

In abeyance.

19. CORRESPONDENCE

Response from police – see item 5 above.
CYC consultation document re

20. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

a) Planning

The application at Holly House has been withdrawn.
Applications at 3 Bowyers Close and 9 Church Street have been refused.
Applications at 25 Top Lane and Templar House (Templars Court) have been approved.

b) Finance

No meeting has been held. However a meeting needs to be arranged for the beginning of December to discuss any grant applications received. Finance Cttee

21. RISK ASSESSMENT

Cllr Bell circulated a revised Risk Assessment, with a number of items marked for implementation before the end of March 2015.

22. ACCOUNTS

Balances at the Bank

Community Account	£	18,603.66
Business Manager Account		22,844.57
	£	41,448.23

Credits to the Account this Month

Re: Colin Trayton Ratcliffe-Springall	£	375.00
Re: Howard Child		75.00
Re: William John Alexander		30.00
	£	480.00

Accounts to be Paid this Month

H& H Land and Property – re Neighbourhood Plan	£	3,141.16
York Graphic Arts – re Neighbourhood Plan		4,248.00
Copmanthorpe Netball Team – replacement cheque		500.00
City of York Council – ½ year allotment rent		497.00
Brighter Gardens – grass cutting		280.00
PKF Littlejohn LLP – external audit		240.00
David Whiteman –jubilee planters		20.00
Cllr David Carr – Neighbourhood Plan expenses		15.61
P D Greenwell – salary		362.45
HMRC – PAYE		271.80
	£	9,576.02

The adoption of these Accounts was PROPOSED by Cllr Simpson.
SECONDED by Cllr Ms Little. ALL IN FAVOUR.

23. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Finance Committee Meeting

24. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 11th November 2014 at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall. To be preceded by a meeting of the Planning Committee at 7.00 pm. an interim meeting of the Planning Committee will take place on Tuesday 28th October, 2014 at 7.15 pm in the Howell Hall.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.00 pm

Signed Date

