

**A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY 14<sup>th</sup> JULY  
2015 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE at 7.30 pm.**

**PRESENT:**                    **COUNCILLOR MRS M TAYLOR**                    **Chairman**  
                                 **COUNCILLOR D CARR**                                    **City of York Council**  
                                 **COUNCILLOR M LISTON**  
                                 **COUNCILLOR MRS M MILLER**  
                                 **COUNCILLOR G SIMPSON**  
                                 **COUNCILLOR R WEST**  
                                 **COUNCILLOR P WHITFIELD**

**Mrs P D Greenwell**                                    **Clerk**  
                                 **Mr P Northfield**

Before the business of the Meeting began, Mr Peter Northfield expressed his concerns about, and opposition to, the intention of the Parish Council to arrange for the removal of the water tank at the allotments. He explained that the water tank was in fact situated on his plot, and that he and others regularly used the water in the tank. He accepted that there is a slight risk to children caused by the presence of the open tank, but suggested that a lid could be fitted so as to minimise this risk and asked that the Council re-consider its earlier decision.

Members AGREED to discuss his comments at the appropriate point on the agenda.

**1. APOLOGIES**

Councillor B Bell  
Councillor Ms A Little  
Councillor Ms J Saxton  
Councillor I Thompson

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS**

None.

- 3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on 9th June 2015**, having been previously circulated, were held to be a true and correct record of that Meeting. PROPOSED by Cllr Simpson. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Miller. ALL IN FAVOUR.

**4. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE**

Little of concern has been reported, other than five incidences of young people sleeping rough at the Recreation Centre.

**5. CLERK'S REPORT**

Complaints have been received about the number of vehicles parked in the vicinity of the garage. The Clerk to ask the police to find out if these vehicles are parked illegally and take appropriate action.

Clerk

Complaints about poor access on footpaths in the Moor Lane/Station Road/Main Street area have been exacerbated by the above, as well as overgrowing vegetation. Cllr Liston will ask CYC Traffic Management, Sue Gill, if any permanent solution can be found to these problems.

Cllr  
Liston**6. ACTION REVIEW**

Wayleave on Low Green – no further news.  
BOAT on Yorkfield Lane – ongoing.

**7. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The Plan is still stalled, due to the request by Historic England for a Strategic Environmental Assessment on the Tadcaster Road site. CYC have offered to do this, but it is felt that this would take far too long and would in any case be better carried out by an independent consultant.

**8. FOOTBRIDGE OVER THE RAILWAY LINE**

The Parish Council has asked Network Rail to give serious consideration to our alternative suggestion, for a footbridge across the railway from the Rec Centre to the proposed site for Rec Centre 2 on land behind the current allotments site. At the present time they seem reluctant to do this for reasons of cost, time and probable necessary alterations to the Ebor Way.

**9. REC CENTRE and REC CENTRE 2**

Cllr Whitfield had circulated the Recreation Centre Report.  
Suggestions are coming in for amenities and sporting facilities at Rec Centre 2.

**10. DRAFT LOCAL PLAN**

Nothing to report

**11. BURIAL GROUND HEDGE**

No progress as yet.

**12. HOWELL HALL and YOUTH CLUB**

No report.

It was noted that Perspex leaflet dispensers belonging to the Parish Council have gone missing.

**13. PUBLIC TRANSPORT and PARK 7 RIDE**

Coastliner propose to put on a later bus to the village each night except Sundays which will leave Stonebow at 10.40 pm. The number 13 service is going to be run by a different Company, but which one is not yet known.

**14. PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY**

A number of residents have apparently been told by a farm worker that there is no public right of way along the field tracks off Westfield Lane. The Clerk has sought information from the CYC Public Rights of Way Officer, and will also seek help and advice from Mr Derek Bowen.

Clerk

**15. ALLOTMENTS**

After some discussion, Cllr Simpson PROPOSED that the Council should support the view taken earlier by the Allotments Committee, that the tank represents a risk to children and should therefore be removed, and that the decision to have the water tanked removed be allowed to stand. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Taylor. ALL IN FAVOUR.

**16. CORRESPONDENCE**

A request that Reports from individual Councillors and Committees, such as planning and the Recreation Centre, should be appended to the published minutes was discussed. This was AGREED, provided that they contain no confidential information, and the report from the police would NOT be published.

Information about a Community Energy Conference is received. Cllr West will attend this.

Cllr  
West

A report on the first few months of the Community Cinema is received. The cinema has been well supported by residents. They have asked that an insert giving dates of future films be placed in the Newsletter in September, and a way was found to do this without compromising the Parish Council News, which takes the middle four pages.

**17. CARNIVAL**

There should be a profit of approx. £9,000.

**18. CITY OF YORK COUNCIL**

Ward budgets have been discussed and there may be more money this year.

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

The report had been circulated.

The application at 17 Tadcaster Road has been called in to the Committee.

**b) Roads and Footpaths**

Membership comprises Cllrs Mrs Taylor, Mrs Miller, Ms Saxton, Liston, Thompson and West.

**20. ACCOUNTS****Balances at the Bank**

Community Account	£	17,907.97
Business Money Manager Account		21,856.00
	£	39,763.97

## Credits to the Account this Month

Allotments Receipts 12-14	£	67.50
HMRC – VAT refund		1,519.95
	£	1,587.45

## Accounts to be Paid this Month

Brighter Gardens – grass cutting	£	1,445.00
Yorkshire Internal Audit		310.00
P D Greenwell – expenses re Gardening Competition		295.00
John Galvin – fee for judging Gardening Competition		100.00
Petty Cash		60.00
P D Greenwell – salary		362.45
	£	2,572.45

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

**21. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

Footbridge over the railway line  
Carnival

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

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