

**A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY, 14<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2022 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE, COPMANTHORPE at 7.30 pm.**

**PRESENT: COUNCILLOR TIM DUFFY Chairman**  
**COUNCILLOR GRAHAM AUTON**  
**COUNCILLOR DAVID SMITH**  
**COUNCILLOR MRS MEGAN TAYLOR**  
**COUNCILLOR PETER WHITFIELD**

**Mrs P Diane Greenwell Clerk**

#### **1. APOLOGIES**

Cllr David Carr – attending a Civic engagement in his capacity as Lord Mayor of York  
Cllr Tim Jarrett  
Cllr Lars Kramm  
Cllr Robert West

It is noted that Cllr Mrs Magson has tendered her resignation.

#### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST and DISPENSATIONS**

Cllr Whitfield declared an Interest in Item 14.

#### **3. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING held on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> May 2022, having been previously circulated were PROPOSED by Cllr Mrs Taylor as a true and correct record of that Meeting. SECONDED by Cllr Auton. ALL IN FAVOUR.**

#### **4. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE**

The monthly report has been circulated. There has been some criminal damage at the Royal Oak, and theft of some scrap metal which had been left outside a domestic property.

Last week a group of travellers had broken through a gate on farm land opposite Askham Bog. This was reported to the police. Cllr Smith will invite the PCSO and the land owner to the July Parish Council meeting to discuss what can be done about these kinds of incidents.

Cllr  
Smith

#### **5. ACTION REVIEW**

Cllr Whitfield has sought help from Askham Bryan College to clear the Westfield Lane/burial ground footpath, but has received no response.

Network Rail's proposed site for the new footbridge has been rejected by CYC.

## **6. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

### **a) Planning**

The monthly report has been circulated.

### **b) Roads and Footpaths**

Repairs to St Giles Way are now complete, and the new footpath on land to the front of the Royal Oak is almost complete.

### **c) Finance**

A meeting will be held before the July Parish Council meeting.  
Date to be agreed.

Cllr  
Duffy

### **d) Allotments and Green Spaces**

A report from the inaugural meeting has been circulated by Cllr Kramm.  
Plot holders have been notified of an inspection of the allotments on 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

The complete lack of progress for our plans for Yorkfield Lane is very disappointing, and it was AGREED that we should press for an Officer from CYC to attend the July Parish Council meeting.

## **7. COPMANTHORPE WARD**

Cllr Carr was not present owing to a Civic engagement.  
We are notified that Phase 3 of the Draft Local Plan Hearing Sessions will begin on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

## **8. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Changes to the Plan have now been auctioned, and the document will soon be ready for printing and submission to CYC.

## **9. ELECTRIC SCOOTERS**

Nothing to report at the present time.

**10. HOWELL HALL and YOUTH CLUB**

A new Youth Leader is now in post and, last Wednesday, the Club was attended by 48 young people.

**11. PARKING ON MAIN STREET and STATION ROAD**

Parking in this area continues to be a problem. However it is believed that double yellow lines would merely move the problem elsewhere, rather than solving it.

**12. COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH**

There are currently 17 volunteers.

The equipment will be returned to Bishopthorpe at the end of June and, as agreed at the last Meeting, the Parish Council will purchase its own at a cost of approx. £540.

Clerk

**13. CORRESPONDENCE**

The Sink or Swim group have advised us that the original plan to reinstate the swimming pool at the School has now been abandoned, and a new community pool is being planned.

A resident has written about a conversation between his wife and a member of the Parish Council on the subject of dog fouling. The Clerk will respond.

Clerk

**14. BURIAL GROUND**

Two quotes have been received to refurbish the gates at the burial ground. Cllr Whitfield declared an Interest in one of these. After some discussion it was AGREED that powder coating, whilst more expensive, would be much longer lasting than paint and a quote for this work, from RAW Coatings, was accepted.

Clerk

Volunteers are needed to paint the doors on the shed.

Cllrs

**15. CARNIVAL**

Only four members are available to man our stall.

The village safety leaflet will be re-printed and made available, together with other information leaflets and the heritage trail document.

Clerk

**16. GARDEN COMPETITION**

Judging will take place during the evenings of 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> July  
Posters will be printed and displayed around the village.

Clerk/Cllr.  
Mrs Taylor

**17. PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION**

The closing date is the end of the year.

**18. EVENTS**

The beacon lighting on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>, and village picnic on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June,  
were both well received by residents, the picnic being especially popular  
with those with young families.

**19. AUDIT**

The Internal Auditor's report is not yet received, and she has recommended  
that an extension be sought from the External Auditor. It was therefore  
AGREED that this item be deferred until the next Parish Council meeting.

Clerk

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

Business Current Account	£	51,326.16
Business Money Manager Account		21,982.28
	£	73,308.44

**Credits to the Account this Month**

Allotments		337.50
	£	337.50

**Accounts to be Paid this Month**

Brighter Gardens and Landscapes	£	1,323.00
Speedkix – for Jubilee celebration		540.00

Jennifer Scully – for Jubilee celebration  
Sheet 5

300.00  
Folio 1236  
ACTION

St John Ambulance	172.80
Laura Simpson – for Jubilee celebration	125.00
Panda Playgroup – special grant for Jubilee celebration	60.00
David Whiteman – plants	57.50
Yorkshire Water – burial ground	30.40
YLCA – Internal audit training course	30.00
Screwfix – cable ties	21.00
The Little Celebration Co – bunting for Jubilee celebration	15.00
P D Greenwell – salary	439.40
	3,114.10

Bank charges for month to 24 April 2022 - £17.00.

The acceptance of these Accounts was PROPOSED by Cllr Mrs Taylor.  
SECONDED by Cllr Duffy. ALL IN FAVOUR.

## 21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> July 2022 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 Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall.

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

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