

**A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY, 8<sup>th</sup>  
NOVEMBER 2022 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE, COPMANTHORPE  
at 7.30 pm.**

**PRESENT: COUNCILLOR ROBERT WEST Chairman**  
**COUNCILLOR GRAHAM AUTON**  
**COUNCILLOR DAVID CARR**  
**COUNCILLOR JOHN DOBSON**  
**COUNCILLOR TIM DUFFY**  
**COUNCILLOR TIM JARRETT**  
**COUNCILLOR LARS KRAMM**  
**COUNCILLOR DAVID SMITH**  
**COUNCILLOR MRS MEGAN TAYLOR**  
**COUNCILLOR PETER WHITFIELD**

**Mrs P Diane Greenwell Clerk**  
**One member of the public**

Before the business of the Meeting began a resident of Temple Garth expressed her concerns about the dangers faced by pedestrians walking along the middle section of Temple Lane where there is no footpath – between the two built-up sections. This has been a problem for many years and has been discussed by the Parish Council several times over those years. Cllr Carr will find the earlier correspondence that we have had with CYC, who are responsible for Temple Lane, and specifically a detailed survey and cost/benefit analysis which they carried out some years ago. The cost of providing a footpath, or straightening the road, are prohibitive, but it may be possible to seek some other traffic calming measures. Any findings will be discussed under Roads and Footpaths next month.

**1. APOLOGIES**

None.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST and DISPENSATIONS**

None.

- 3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022,**  
having been previously circulated were PROPOSED by Cllr Whitfield as a  
true and correct record of that Meeting. SECONDED by Cllr Duffy.  
**ALL IN FAVOUR.**

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

There are only two incidents on the monthly report, which has been circulated.

Details of a survey being carried out by the Police Commissioner will be included on the website and in the December Parish Council News insert in the Newsletter, and residents will be encouraged to respond.

Members discussed reporting incidences of cold calling to the police, which seems to be ineffective. Cllr Smith will seek advice from the police as to what is the best way to report such matters in a No Cold Calling Zone.

#### **5. CLERK'S REPORT**

Members are invited to attend the AGM of the local branch of the CPRE, which is to be held in Thirsk on 12<sup>th</sup> November.

#### **6. ACTION REVIEW**

The first of the Parish Council's anti dog fouling signs, sited at the bottom of Merchant Way, has been torn down. Cllrs Duffy and Jarrett will seek a way to place these higher up to prevent this kind of vandalism. Cllrs Duffy/Jarrett

#### **7. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

##### **a) Planning**

The monthly report has been circulated.

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

There are a lot of wet leaves on the footpath at the corner of Main Street and School Lane.

Vehicles have been parking partially on the footpath outside 13 Drome Road. This problem had been raised last month.

The tactile paving on the corner of Main Street/Station Road is being cracked by heavy vehicles and buses mounting the kerb.

The bollard at the shops has been knocked over yet again. Cllr Auton has reported this to CYC.

On Low Green, by the electric sub-station, the post of the Ebor Way marker is rotten.

##### **c) Finance**

A meeting of the Finance Committee to discuss any grant applications received will take place on 6<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00 pm.

**8. ALLOTMENTS AND GREEN SPACES**

The Clerk will order 8 cherry trees from D-Tail, at a probable cost of £60 each.

Clerk

**9. COPMANTHORPE WARD**

York City Football Club has offered some free training sessions to the various football teams at the Recreation Centre.

Parking on the pavements is a matter for the police, not City of York Council. This problem has been highlighted in the Parish Council News in the December edition of the Newsletter.

There is still money available in the Ward budget for appropriate projects. The salt bin requested by a resident of Pike Hills Mount can be funded in this way.

Cllr  
Carr

Potholes in Manor Heath are getting worse again, and the solar powered Give Way sign at the crossroads is not working. This has been reported.

**10. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The revisions are now complete, and the documents will be taken to the printers tomorrow, prior to submission to CYC for approval.

**11. YORKFIELD LANE and BECKETT'S CROSSING**

As discussed at the last Meeting, a full survey of the Lane will be carried out by a firm of independent surveyors, on 6<sup>th</sup> December, to review the width of the Lane and ascertain if there are any encroachments, from Croft Farm to Beckett's Crossing.

The Campaigns Manager of Cycle UK has been asked if there may be any funds available to progress our aspirations for the Lane. Contact has not yet been made with Sustrans.

Cllrs Smith, Jarret and Whitfield, and the Clerk, have met with representatives of Network Rail to discuss their proposals for a ramped bridge to replace the existing crossing. Gladmans, who have an interest in York Field, are also in discussions with Network Rail. The Parish Council have objected to the siting of the bridge in this position, and we are also urging them to consider a ramped bridge as it would be more often used by less able walkers. We await hearing back from Network Rail.

**12. VEHICLE ACTIVATED SPEED SIGNS**

Cllr Auton has obtained 3 quotes for these signs, and the quote already obtained by the Clerk from Elan City appears to be the best price for the best equipment. Elan City's sign would collect a lot of data and could be moved to various locations around the village. Cllr Auton will continue his enquiries. Cllr Auton

**13. COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH**

The Clerk has purchased on behalf of the Council a speed gun, and appropriate signage. High visibility vests remain to be sourced. Clerk

**14. HOWELL HALL and YOUTH CLUB**

Nothing to report.  
The Clerk will contact the Bookings Secretary, and a representative of Peace Of Cake, to see if it might be possible to use the Hall for one or two afternoons a week to provide a warm and welcoming space for villagers who may be struggling with the currently excessive costs of heating their homes. Clerk

**15. NOTICE BOARD**

It was AGREED that, subject to obtaining any necessary planning consent, a new notice board be purchased, to replace the one in St Giles Churchyard, and that a Heritage Information Board also be purchased to go in the same vicinity. Clerk

**16. EVENTS**

Arrangements for the Christmas event are all in hand.

**17. CORRESPONDENCE**

There has been some comment about disruption to the Coastliner service, notably in the early mornings.

**18. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**

The Chairman will lay a wreath on behalf of the village residents.

**19. ACCOUNTS****Balances at the Bank**

Business Current Account	£	55,950.89
Business Money Manager Account		21,990.47

	£	77,941.36
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## Credits to the Account this Month

Re: John Robert Hewson	£	50.00
Re: Mark Nicol		75.00

	£	125.00
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## Accounts to be Paid this Month

Aetherweb Limited – website hosting	£	360.00
Allsigns – for Community Speedwatch		258.30
PKF Littlejohn LLP – audit fee		240.00
Bushnell Velocity Speed Gun – for Community Speedwatch		189.49
David Whiteman – plants for village entrances		91.33
P D Greenwell –salary		439.40

	£	1,578.52
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Bank charges for month to 24 September 2022 - £8.00

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

**20. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA.**

Anti dog fouling posters.

Community Speedwatch and Vehicle Activated Speed Signs

Pedestrian safety on Temple Lane

**21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Meeting will take place on Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> December 2022 in the Howell Hall, commencing at 7.30 pm. This will be preceded by a Meeting of the Planning Committee at 7.00 pm.

A meeting of the Finance Committee will take place on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00 pm.

An Interim Meeting of the Planning Committee on 27<sup>th</sup> December, if necessary.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.45 pm

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