# A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY, 14<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2007 in the YOUTH CLUB, SCHOOL LANE at 7.30 pm

PRESENT:

**COUNCILLOR MRS M STONES** 

Chairman

COUNCILLOR B BELL

COUNCILLOR D F PARKER COUNCILLOR S STERICKER

COUNCILLOR MRS C TOWNSEND

COUNCILLOR G WAITE COUNCILLOR P WHITFIELD COUNCILLOR MRS A WINTER

Mrs P D Greenwell Mr Bill Marsh Clerk

Before the meeting began Mr Bill Marsh thanked councillors, and also Glen Bradley and the police, for their support in addressing the problems experienced on Low Green last summer. So far this summer there have been no problems. Cllr Waite promised to see that the police keep up with their patrols in the area, and noted that we were investigating costs and other matters in relation to CCTV, so that we can be prepared if ever this is thought to be needed in the future.

#### 1. APOLOGIES

Councillor D Bowen Councillor M J Irwin Councillor Mrs M Taylor Councillor P Healey

City of York Council

#### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held Tuesday, 10 July 2007, having been previously circulated, were held to be a true and correct record of that Meeting.
PROPOSED by Cllr Whitfield. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Townsend. ALL IN FAVOUR.

#### 4. CLERK'S REPORT

Due to holidays being taken by Cllr Bowen and Cllr Mrs Stones in early

September, it is suggested that the public meeting to discuss street lighting be deferred until October. Agreed. Acknolwedgement is received of our request for site investigations to begin in connection with the proposed parking area at the Burial Ground.

Former Cllr the Reverend Maurice Staton has found a suitable candidate to receive help from the John Hodgson Charitable Trust.

## 5. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE LIAISON

As noted above, Low Green is quiet. There had been a little anti-social behaviour following the Carnival, but nothing too serious. Cllr Waite is trying to find a way to get monthly crime figures for Cllr Copmanthorpe.

## 6. CORRESPONDENCE

Tadcaster Swimming Pool Trust send a notice asking for residents' help with the cost of essential repairs to the Pool.

North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service Corporate Plan is received.

Notice of consultation into the **CYC Licensing Policy** is received. Cllr Bowen has looked at this online and commented, and Councillors are content that the Clerk submits these comments on behalf of the Parish Council.

Clerk

North Yorkshire County Council sends its consultation document – Minerals and Waste Deveopment Framework – Site Allocations And Options. No comment.

We are notified of a further delay, until early next year, in the Elvington Airfield trial.

**Yorkshire Forward** inform us of two events giving information about EU LEADER funding.

## 7. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

## a) Planning

Approvals are received for 2 Bellmans Croft and the Fox and Hounds. Refusal is received for 23 Temple Lane.

## b) Roads and Footpaths

Due to Cllr Bell's changed working arrangements, and following discussions with Cllr Bowen, it is suggested that Cllrs Bell and Stericker exchange roles. Cllr Whitfield PROPOSED that Cllr Stericker become Chairman, with Cllr Bell acting as Vice-Chairman. SECONDED by Cllr Parker. ALL IN FAVOUR.

CYC are now aware that they are responsible for the landscaping on the new road. Work there should have started last week and been completed by this, but so far nothing appears to have been done.

Angus Young, Street Environment Officer, says that he needs photo evidence to catch owners of offending dogs. However John Reid, the Dog Warden, will patrol, and CYC will provide an extra dog bin. Cllr Waite PROPOSED, and Cllr Mrs Winter SECONDED, that we purchase one additional dog bin, as suggested by Angus Young, provided that CYC do not charge us for emptying it. ALL IN FAVOUR

Clerk

Graffiti has been removed as requested.

Robin Sweetman is to check the gulleys and drains on Station Road,
Main Street, Temple Lane and Drome Road. Cllr Stericker to ask
him to also look at The Link.

Stericker

Network Rail have inspected the overgrowth at Fletchers Croft and Ostlers Close and have accepted responsibility for tidying up.

The vandalised signs at Learmans and Whistlers Close must be referred to Persimmon Homes, as these have not yet been adopted. Signs at Wheelwrights Close and Station Road need attention.

York Pride has offered us £500 for improvements. Cllr Mrs Townsend PROPOSED that we ask for a litter bin at the bus stop on Manor Heath, and a replacement tree for the one vandalised on Low Green. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Winter. ALL IN FAVOUR.

A meeting had been held with John Grogan MP to discuss the traffic noise from the A64. Nothing will be done until the road needs resurfacing in probably 10-15 years time.

Cllr Mrs Winter reported that the presentation of prizes for the Gardening Competition had gone smoothly. The BBC's Clare Frisby had presented the certificates and prizes, and a photo and a list of the winners will be put on the website. It would be good to see more councillors supporting the Competition and the Horticultural Show next year.

Cllr Whitfield

Following the circulation of photographs received by the Clerk of cars parked in St Giles Way whilst their owners attended a wedding in the Church, councillors are still unwilling to ask for double yellow lines to deal with what is only an occasional problem. The Clerk to reply.

Clerk

#### c) Finance

Panda Playgroup has requested a grant towards the outdoor play area that they are developing at the rear of the WI Hall. They have paid for the safety surfacing, but want to purchase some outdoor toys for the children, and ask for a grant of between £500 and £1,000. Cllr Mrs Townsend PROPOSED a grant of £750. SECONDED by Cllr Stericker. ALL IN FAVOUR.

Clerk

#### 8. TREES IN THE BURIAL GROUND

The Clerk to arrange a meeting for herself, Cllr Stericker and Mr Dean to discuss which trees need to be removed/replaced. There are also some graves which are becoming overgrown and are obviously no longer cared for by family. We can attend to these.

Clerk

#### 9. WEBPAGE

There are one or two areas still to be addressed, but the Roads and Footpaths Map and Responsibilities is now in place, and other village Groups are being asked to contribute. Web stats will be emailed to Councillors.

Cllr Whitfield

## 10. BUS SERVICES

The results of our enquiries will appear in the Newsletter. Times of services will be monitored when the schools resume in September. However it is unlikely that anything will change before the next schedule change next year.

#### 11. PROFILE OF THE PARISH COUNCIL.

Draft proposals to raise the profile of the Parish Council had been circulated by Cllr Whitfield. No further suggestions were forthcoming. Cllr Whitfield to draw up a firm proposal, with costings, for the next meeting.

Cllr Whitfield

## 12. WARD COMMITTEE

No report. No councillor present.

## 13. RECREATION CENTRE

No meeting had been held.

## 14. RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

No meeting had been held.

#### 15. ACCOUNTS

Balances at the Bank

Community Account £ 1,303.14
Business Money Manager Account 31,459.05

£ 32,762.19

Credits to the Account this Month		
Interest on Money Master Account	£	333.02
	£	333.02
Accounts to be Paid this Month		
Reed and Allan – village seats Dean Landscapes Mrs Susan Woods – judge for gardening competition Yorkshire Water – allotments Yorkshire Water – burial ground P D Greenwell – expenses P D Greenwell – salary Petty Cash	£	318.68 312.55 89.12 33.80 18.08 353.49 400.20
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Therefore please transfer £1,000 from the Business Money Manager Account to the Community Account. PROPOSED by Cllr Parker. SECONDED by Cllr Whitfield. ALL IN FAVOUR.

£

1,555.92

## 16. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Parish Council Profile CYC Charter Burial Ground Trees Public meeting re street lighting

## 17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 11 <sup>th</sup> September 2007 at 7.30 pm. to be preceded by a meeting of the	
Planning Committee at 7.00 pm	
Planning Committee – Wednesday, 29 <sup>th</sup> August at 7.15 pm in the Methodist Hall	•

There being no further busine	ss the Meeting closed at 9.10 pm
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Signed	Date