

**A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY,
14th OCTOBER 2008 in the HOWELL HALL at 7.30 pm**

PRESENT: **COUNCILLOR D BOWEN** **Chairman**
 COUNCILLOR B BELL
 COUNCILLOR D F PARKER
 COUNCILLOR S STERICKER
 COUNCILLOR MRS C TOWNSEND
 COUNCILLOR A TRAVENA
 COUNCILLOR G WAITE
 COUNCILLOR P WHITFIELD
 COUNCILLOR MRS A WINTER

Mrs P D Greenwell
Cllr P Healey

Clerk
City of York Council

1. APOLOGIES

Councillor Mrs M Stones
Councillor Mrs M Taylor

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

- 3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held 9th September 2008**, having been previously circulated, were held to be a true and correct record of that Meeting. **PROPOSED** by Cllr Stericker. **SECONDED** by Cllr Travena. **ALL IN FAVOUR.**

4. CLERK'S REPORT

No news on proposed CPRE/CYC litter pick.

Work has started to improve drainage at the junction of Back Lane/
Westfield Lane/Wilstrop Farm Road.

No further details from the Brownies as to the amount of money they
are seeking by way of grant aid. However four application forms for aid
from the Parish Council next year have been requested, and two
returned to date.

It was **RESOLVED** that an additional 500 bulbs be purchased, using
Section 106 monies, for planting in the burial ground. The Scouts
to be approached for help with this project. Also, one tree to be
purchased to replace the two already removed.

Clerk/
Cllr Mrs
Townsend

5. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE MATTERS

There has been an increase in anti-social behaviour over the summer months, and the police are aware of this, but it is nothing like as bad as we have had previously, and it is hoped that the winter months will be quieter.

Since the beginning of September there have been incidences of noisy youths outside the fish shop and on Low Green, two thefts of bicycles from unsecured garages, 2 windscreens smashed (Back Lane and MerchantWay) and damage to a wall on Low Green.

The police presence seems to have diminished, but they have changed shifts to work later, sometimes until 1.00 pm, at the weekends.

The police are to set up a base at Westfield School, and Cllr Waite is hoping to persuade them to establish a similar office in Copmanthorpe.

Cllr
Waite

6. CORRESPONDENCE

A letter of thanks is received from Usborne Books for our £90 donation towards books for our school. The 60% bonus from them will mean a total of £144 for books for Copmanthorpe Primary School's library.

We are informed that Postwatch is to be merged with the National Consumer Council and Energywatch to form Consumer Focus. This means that there will be a new customer service helpline number – 08457 740 740 – for matters relating to the postal service.

The Chairman and Clerk have been invited to the opening of the new ICT and Library Suite at Copmanthorpe Primary School. The Chairman to attend on behalf of the Parish Council, the Clerk has sent her apologies.

Members are invited to a tour of the Magistrates' Court in York next week.

The Fire and Rescue Authority's Corporate Report is received, and passed to Cllr Travena.

A consultation on a new Children and Young People's Plan – 2009-2012 is received. The Clerk to respond under the section on children's health and wellbeing.

Clerk

7. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

a) Planning

Refusals are received for 18 College Road and 16 Horseman Avenue.
Approval is received for 19 Station Road.

The owner of 25 College Road is to appeal against CYC's Refusal.

b) Roads and Footpaths

Minutes of the Roads and Footpaths meeting held 7th October have been circulated.

Since that Meeting we have been informed that New Moor Lane does not qualify for winter gritting, and that by the end of November the lights on the footbridge on the new road will be working, gullies will have been cleaned and bus shelter seats replaced.

c) Finance

New Financial Regulations, recently amended by the Finance Committee, have been circulated.

It is suggested that we purchase a display panel to use on our stand at the Carnival and May Day Fair at a cost of £80.00 PROPOSED by Cllr Travena. SECONDED by Cllr Whitfield. ALL IN FAVOUR.

Clerk

8. RECREATION CENTRE

Nothing to report. Cllr Whitfield to attend the next meeting, on 27 November, as Cllr Mrs Winter will be on holiday.

Cllr
Whitfield

9. CORONATION CUP

Responsibility for this has been handed over to Cllr Mrs Townsend. The new committee will in due course consider whether or not to hold the presentation next year separately from the Horticultural Show.

10. RURAL ARTS

The two representatives from the WI who attended the last meeting seem to be very interested. We now have new brochures, and one has been passed to the Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association. Nigel White, from the Scouts, is also enthusiastic, and they will discuss at a meeting with the other uniformed youth organisations on 6th November. Cllr Bowen will speak with Mr White. It is possible that the Tennis Club and the School may also be interested.

Cllr
Bowen

Cllr Parker feels we could spend some money on this from our Reserve.

11. ACCOUNTS

The second half of the Precept is received.

Balances at the Bank

Community Account	£	9,413.22
Business Money Manager Account		25,207.85
	£	34,621.07

Credits to the Account this Month

Re: John King	£	75.00
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Accounts to be Paid this Month

City of York Council – ½ year allotment rent	£	411.00
Npower – burial ground		47.10
P D Greenwell – expenses		31.99
P D Greenwell – salary		425.13
	£	915.22

Therefore no transfer is necessary this month.

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

12. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

- Website hosting
- Risk Assessment

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 11th November 2008 at 7.30 pm, to be preceded by a meeting of the Planning Committee at 7.00 pm. The interim meeting of the Planning Committee will take place on Wednesday, 29th October at 7.15 pm in the Methodist Church Hall.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 8.40 pm.

Signed Date