# THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> MAY 2012 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR P WHITFIELD

COUNCILLOR MRS J AUTON COUNCILLOR D BOWEN COUNCILLOR D CARR

COUNCILLOR THE REV G MUMFORD

COUNCILLOR D F PARKER
COUNCILLOR G SIMPSON
COUNCILLOR MRS M TAYLOR
COUNCILLOR MRS C TOWNSEND

Mrs P D Greenwell Clerk

#### 1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Cllr Simpson PROPOSED that Cllr Whitfield be re-elected to serve as Chairman for the forthcoming year. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Taylor. ALL IN FAVOUR.

#### 2. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Cllr Simpson PROPOSED that Cllr Mrs Taylor be re-elected to serve as Vice-Chairman for the forthcoming year. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Townsend. ALL IN FAVOUR. Cllr Whitfield thanked Cllr Mrs Taylor for her support over the past year, particularly in attending Ward Committee meetings when he had been unable to do so.

#### 3. APOLOGIES

Cllr Adam Smith

# 4. ELECTION OF COMMITTEES, POLICE LIAISON, TRANSPORT LIAISON, CORONATION CUP, RECREATION CENTRE, RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION AND DRAINAGE BOARD

Cllr Smith has expressed a wish to come off the Finance Committee. Otherwise all Committee membership will remain the same.

Cllr Simpson will continue to take responsibility for Police Liaison, Cllr Mrs Townsend for Transport Liaison and the Coronation Cup, Cllr Mrs Taylor will represent the Parish Council on the Recreation Centre Management Committee, Cllr Simpson will attend meetings of the Ainsty Drainage Board, and Cllr Carr will attend the Residents' Association meetings.

The Clerk will prepare a revised list of members with the Committees upon which they serve and contact phone numbers, including mobiles.

#### 5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

#### 6. CLERK'S REPORT

The commemorative coins and the Jubilee clock have been ordered. Cllr Simpson's nomination to the Standards Board has been sent off. The Clerk has written to Cllr Bell thanking him for his work on the Council. The Clerk has met with the Internal Auditor who has signed off the Annual Return. This was signed by the Chairman and Clerk and will now be sent to Mazars, the External Auditors.

Clerk

The Clerk will ask in the library about the old photographs of the village with a view to putting any additional pictures on our website.

Clerk

7. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held 17 April 2012, having been previously circulated, were held to be a true and correct record of that Meeting. PROPOSED by Cllr Mrs Auton. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Taylor. ALL IN FAVOUR.

#### 8. POLICE LIAISON

The monthly report from the police had already been circulated. Another fairly quiet month. The School is trying to address the problem of parents bringing their children to school by car, through its Walk to School policy. The school needs to show that it is safeguarding children's safety and will shortly be having a Walk to School fortnight. It is also investigating the possibility of once again having a school crossing patrol (lollipop person). However it should be borne in mind that currently about 10% of the children at the school come from outside the village and have to be brought by car.

#### 9. TASK FORCE

The new tabards have been received. The Task Force continues to meet every Wednesday, and last week did a litter pick over quite a large number of streets.

#### 10. HOWELL HALL/YOUTH CLUB

Henry Hyams, Solicitors, have sent some more information and documents which have been circulated. We need to find out who is interested in sitting on the Management Committee if, indeed, it still exists. The last list of members we have is dated 2006.

## 11. JUBILEE

Delivery of the clock is expected on 22 May, with installation taking place on 23 May. The planters are not yet in situ, probably due to the recent extremely wet weather. The commemorative coins will be handed out to children at the school on 31 May, possibly by former Lord Mayor David Horton, a resident of Copmanthorpe, and all Councillors are welcome to attend this occasion.

The foundations of the "Welcome" signs will be installed on 12 May, the signs

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attached on 19 May and formal unveiling will take place at the sign on Manor Heath at 6.00 pm on 31 May.

#### 12. VILLAGE GREEN

The next meeting will take place on 21 May. The Group appears to be moving more towards recycling/freecycling, produce exchange, rather than sustainable energy. They may seek to have more recycling bins in the village. The next meeting will be pivotal in deciding what direction the group is going to take in future.

#### 13. STREET FAIR

The Chairman apologised for his absence due to illness, and thanked Cllr Simpson for assembling and dismantling the two gazebos. Residents had raised a number of issues. Only two entry forms for the Gardening competition had been taken.

#### 14. RURAL WEST YORK

No Ward Councillor present, and no report received.

#### 15. LOCALISM

Cllrs Carr and Mrs Taylor outlined the process involved in preparing a Neighbourhood Plan. These Plans must be lead by a Parish Council but will involve other residents. They are about helping to shape, not prevent, development, and they must comply with national and local planning policies, EU and human rights legislation. The Local Authority (CYC) must help in writing the Plan, but the financial costs and time and effort involved will be huge. Help should be available from organisations such as YLCA, CPRE and Action for Market Towns

The proposals have to be submitted to the Local Authority; they will be subject to examination and to a community referendum and, if approved, the Plan will become law.

It was AGREED that Cllrs Carr, Whitfield, Smith Mrs Taylor and Mrs Townsend would form a Steering Group to take this project forward.

#### 16. CORRESPONDENCE

**CYC** are doing a survey to help them with the transition to electronic planning consultation. The Clerk has also had correspondence from YLCA about this and has written to Mike Slater, CYC Planning Officer, to object to the cavalier fashion in which this is being inflicted on the Parishes.

The next Ward Committee meeting will be on 20 June, venue to be decided.

The WI request consideration of a request for a notice board on their land.

R&F

Referred to the Roads and Footpaths Committee.

R&F

#### 17. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

#### a) Planning

Applications at 9 Hallcroft Lane and 35 Moor Lane has been approved. An application for an advertising sign at the Dental Surgery has been refused.

#### b) Roads and Footpaths

No meeting has been held.

#### c) Finance

Nothing to report.

#### 18. RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

No meeting has been held.

#### 19. CORONATION CUP

The last meeting had been held on 26 April. Entry forms are in library, the post office, the Newsletter and on the Parish Council website.

#### 20. RECREATION CENTRE

No Cllr had been able to attend the last meeting. Footballers are still playing in studs on the cricket outfield. It has been agreed that Tony McGale will decide when this should be allowed to happen, and when not.

#### 21. ACTION REVIEW

It appears to be impractical to place a memorial bench for Paul Band anywhere really close to the newsagents. Cllr Mumford will ask his family if they would like to put a bench on the square of grass opposite the old post office.

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# 22. ACCOUNTS

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Community Account Business Money Manager Account	£	20,114.94 21,809.99
	£	41,924.93
Credits to the Account this Month		
Allotment Receipts nos. 83-91 Re: Ena Richardson Interest on Business Money Manager a/c	£	220.75 80.00 3.81
	£	304.56
Accounts to be Paid this Month		
Panda Playgroup – grant Copmanthorpe Recreation Centre - grant Copmanthorpe WI - grant Third Copmanthorpe Brownies - grant The Occasion Choir - grant Copmanthorpe Good Companions - grant Copmanthorpe Cricket Club - grant Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association - grant Copmanthorpe Horticultural Show – grant Yorkshire Internal Audit Services Nigel White – Jubilee Welcome signs City of York Council – burial ground rates Copmanthorpe Village Magazine David Whiteman – Jubilee planters Copmanthorpe Carnival – stall Glyn Simpson – Task Force tabards Yorkshire Water – re burial ground P D Greenwell – expenses	£ 1,35	56.00 1,000.00 700.00 650.00 500.00 500.00 337.50 250.00 150.00 290.00 201.20 130.50 77.00 57.60 35.00 34.80 17.70 21.46
	£	6,308.76

The adoption of these Accounts was PROPOSED by Cllr Parker. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Taylor. ALL IN FAVOUR.

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#### 23. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Neighbourhood Plan Street Lighting Carnival.

## 24. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 12 June 2012 at 7.30 pm. To be preceded by a Meeting of the Planning Committee at 7.00 pm.

An interim Meeting of the Planning Committee will take place on Wednesday, 30 May 2012 at 7.15 pm in the Methodist Church Hall.

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