A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY, 9 OCTOBER 2012 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR P WHITFIELD Chairman

COUNCILLOR MRS J AUTON COUNCILLOR D BOWEN COUNCILLOR D CARR

COUNCILLOR THE REV P MUMFORD

COUNCILLOR D F PARKER COUNCILLOR G SIMPSON COUNCILLOR A SMITH

COUNCILLOR MRS C TOWNSEND

Mrs P D Greenwell Clerk

Mr Ian Cartwright Methodist Church
Mrs Sarah Gowers Resident of Low Green
Mr Roy Blackburn Resident of Low Green

Before the business of the Meeting began Mr Ian Cartwright, from the Methodist Church, outlined his plans to undertake a Community Audit. This received general support from the Parish Council, particularly since some of the work involved will dovetail with the Neighbourhood Plan.

Mrs Gowers expressed her concerns about young people on scooters outside her house on Low Green. They are both an annoyance to her and her family, and a danger to themselves. She has asked both the police and the school for help and advice as to how to deal with this problem, which they are trying to resolve. Cllr Smith advised her to keep a record of each incident to help the police to deal with these young people, and to speak again to the Head Teacher at the school.

Mr Blackburn, also a resident of Low Green, is concerned about the traffic and parking situation there, particularly at school drop off and collection times. Cllr Simpson stated that the school, and the Governors, are very aware of the problems and are working hard to dissuade parents from bringing their cars down to Low Green.

1) APOLOGIES

Cllr MacDonald Cllr Mrs Taylor Cllr Paul Healey – City of York Council

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held TUESDAY, 11th SEPTEMBER 2012, having been previously circulated, were held to be a true and correct record of that Meeting. PROPOSED by Cllr Bowen. SECONDED by Cllr the Rev Mumford. ALL IN FAVOUR.

4. CLERK'S REPORT

A reminder to those Cllrs who have not yet returned their Register of Interests forms to do so as soon as possible.

The name sign and play equipment have been removed from the Fox & Hounds. No further news on the sign at 30 Top Lane. The Clerk to write again to CYC and invoke the Charter.

Mr Dave Steel has been asked to repair the path in the cemetery. Mr John Gospel has been asked to attend to the gate at the allotments, which is now lying on the ground.

5. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE MATTERS

Miss Rigg is addressing the parking problem at the School and may ask the police road safety team to come and speak to the children. The Walk to School Week in fact extended to three weeks and also encompassed cycling and other 'green' issues. The children are very keen and very involved, and the parking problem is mentioned in every newsletter which goes home to parents. Cllr Simpson is meeting with a CYC Engineer on 16 October to try to find a permanent solution to the parking problem.

6. TASK FORCE

It was AGREED that an article outlining the hard work of the Task Force be prepared for the December edition of the Village Newsletter.

Newsletter

7. HOWELL HALL

A meeting of the new Management Committee, attended by 10 people including guests from CYC, PlaySpace and the York CVS, had been held on 1st October. There is a lot of help on offer. CYC will provide people to talk to the young people to find out what they want from the Club. There is just under £3,000 in the bank account, and an application for funds has been made to North Yorkshire Police.

An Open Day for residents will be held on 3 November, 10.00 am to 3.00 pm, and

will be advertised with posters and a banner. The aim is to re-open the Club in January/February 2013.

8. PUBLIC TRANSPORT

The new timetable for the number 13 bus, effective from 8 October, has now been published. The Coastliner timetable is still awaited.

9. LIBRARY CONSULTATION

CYC Library and Archives Service is carrying out a Public Consultation on the use of libraries. It was AGREED that the Clerk should ask a representative to address the Parish Council on proposed changes to the library service. Clerk

10. ALLOTMENTS

The ditch on the field side of the site has been cleared. The Ainsty Drainage Board has now stated that they are responsible for the ditch which backs onto the houses on Drome Road, and there will be no cost to the Parish Council for whatever work is needed there. Cllr Simpson is waiting to meet with them to Cllr discuss exactly what this will be.

An inspection of the allotments had taken place on 8 October, and letters written to those whose allotments are not up to the required standard.

Clerk

11. RURAL WEST YORK

No Cllr present. However Cllr Healey has informed the Clerk that he has tried with various departments at CYC to get something done about the property on Drome Road, but without success.

12. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

A reply was agreed will be sent to CYC's Call for Sites letter.

The Mission Statement has been agreed.

The SWOT analysis is ongoing. There has been little response to the public consultation.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

Cllr Whitfield has attended a conference about Superfast Broadband. CYC and NYCC have awarded the contract to BT OpenReach. This is the first such contract to be awarded in the country, and BT will ensure that 90% of all households will get 80mb per second by the end of 2014. The total cost of the project will be approx. £70 million.

Following a request from a resident, and in view of the general dissatisfaction with traffic arrangements for the Remembrance Day Service in recent years, it was RESOLVED that the Parish Council apply for a Temporary Road Closure Order for Main Street and Church Street between 10.45 and 11.15 am on the 11th November.

Cllr Whitfield and the Clerk have attended the YLCA meeting last Thursday where the imposition by CYC of electronic planning consultation was again discussed. It may be possible to have the use of facilities in the libraries for planning meetings, but nothing is yet finalised.

We are informed that, whatever happens with regard to the provision of salt bins, Snow Wardens will still receive deliveries of salt.

Julie Hood has changed jobs at CYC, so will no longer be our contact there.

The Royal Mail inform us that post from York will no longer be sorted at Leeman Road, but will be taken to a large sorting office in Leeds, and that as a consequence all mail posted in York will henceforth be postmarked 'Leeds'.

14. VILLAGE GREEN

The next meeting has been rearranged for 22 October. Mr Graham Auton has sourced some funding for the raised beds in the Community Garden at the front of the Howell Hall.

Cllr Whitfield reported on a meeting he had held with staff from Askham Bryan College. There are a number of proposals for ways in which the students could become involved with the community in Copmanthorpe.

15. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

a) Planning

Approvals have been granted at Hope Cottage (1 Temple Lane), 9 Ropers Court, 20 Main Street and 33 Bowyers Close.

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b) Roads and Footpaths

The minutes of the last meeting have been circulated.

The Clerk is to ask for the removal of the wooden posts at the Shopping Centre, Since they appear to serve no useful purpose and vehicles regularly reverse into them.

Clerk

The Clerk to enquire about the progress of our application for Yorkfield Lane to be designated a BOAT (Bridleway Open to All Traffic).

Clerk

to be designated a BOAT (Bridleway Open to All Traffic). Clerk Cllr Carr is to walk around the village with Rachel Stewart, CYC, on 22 October, and requested details of any street environment issues prior to that date. Cllrs

c) Finance

Nothing to report.

16. RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Nothing to report.

17. RECREATION CENTRE

Nothing to report.

18. ACTION REVIEW

Nothing outstanding.

19. ACCOUNTS

Balances at the Bank

Community Account	£	16,998.76
Business Money Manager Account		21,813.80
	£	38,812.56
Credits to the Account this Month		
Re: Charles Elshaw	£	75.00
	£	75.00

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Accounts to be Paid this Month

Dean Landscapes Limited	£	468.00
City of York Council – ½ year allotments rent		445.00
Caroline Anderson – PC News		60.00
David Whiteman – expenses re flower beds		24.40
P D Greenwell – expenses		34.06
P D Greenwell – salary		352.91
HMRC – Tax and NI		278.11
	£	1,662.48

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

20. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Low Green

Church Hall.

21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 13 November 2012 in the Howell Hall 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 be held on Wednesday, 24th or 31st October (depending upon applications received)at 7.15 pm in the Methodist

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 10.10 pm.

Signed	Date