A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY 13 AUGUST 2013 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR D CARR Chairman

COUNCILLOR MRS J AUTON COUNCILLOR MRS M TAYLOR COUNCILLOR MRS C TOWNSEND COUNCILLOR P WHITFIELD

Mrs P D Greenwell Clerk

Councillor I Gillies City of York Council

Mr J Sledmore Mr A Herrington

Before the business of the Meeting began Mr Sledmore gave further details of his proposals for an eco-housing development on land at 57 Temple Lane. There will be 11 totally sustainable eco co-houses houses. 90% of the materials used in construction will be timber from sustainable sources. Heating will be from ground or air source heat pumps, water from a bore hole, and the development will have its own sewerage and waste treatment system. Therefore, residents will have greatly reduced utilities bills. Any waste will go to Bruswick Organic Nurseries in Bishopthorpe.

Cllr Gillies advised Mr Sledmore to contact Gareth Arnold, a planning officer at CYC.

Mr Herrington then spoke of his plans to develop a micro-brewery in Copmanthorpe, or the broader Ainsty area. He is looking for premises of about 2,000 sq ft, and the Clerk offered to contact Askham Bryan and Askham Richard Parish Councils on his behalf.

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr B Bell Cllr D F Parker Cllr G Simpson Cllr A Smith

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

None.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held 9 July 2013, having been previously circulated, were PROPOSED by Cllr Whitfield as a true and correct record of that Meeting. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Townsend. ALL IN FAVOUR.

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4. RURAL WEST YORK

The consultation period for the CYC Draft Local Plan has now ended. Cllr Gillies has put forward his comments to the proposed changes to Ward Boundaries to the Boundary Commission.

The bus services are changing, and the number 13 is to revert to a half hourly service. However it will still not go to Monks Cross.

There will be no salt bins, except in the City Centre, next winter.

5. CLERK'S REPORT

A detailed response has been received from National Power Grid concerning recent interruptions to power supply in parts of the village.

No reply to the Clerk's letter to Londis.

A disturbance last weekend at Copmanthorpe Fisheries has resulted in an arrest being made.

No reply from CYC to our submission on the Draft Local Plan.

The Clerk had attended the Cemetery Management Course. Coincidentally, subsequent to that, information was received from a Company offering to scan our Burial Registers at a cost of £400. Whilst this is a good idea as a back up record, the Clerk will try to find an alternative and more local Company to do this work.

There have been complaints about scrap wood being kept on top of a chicken house on one of the allotments, and the Clerk has written to ask that this be removed.

A resident of Barons Crescent has asked for advice to prevent unauthorised parking on private land. The Clerk has advised that she, and the other co-owners of the land, should erect a sign advising that it is private property and not a public car park.

6. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN AND COMMUNITY AUDIT

The core group is to meet on 18 August to discuss a re-draft of the Plan. They only have an emailed version of the Community Audit, but this document legitimizes a lot of what is in the Neighbourhood Plan.

7. COMMEMORATION OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR

A resident has asked what, if anything, the village will be doing next year to commemorate the outbreak of the First World War. It was AGREED that the two Churches should be asked if they are planning anything, and consider perhaps an exhibition of village memorabilia from that time. There may be relevant photographs in the library.

Clerk

8. BEQUEST

The former Lady of the Manor, the late Mrs Margaret Chapman-Andrews, has bequeathed the sum of £5,000 to the village in her Will. Councillors are asked to give serious thought to how best to use this money, and a fuller discussion will take place next month.

Cllrs

9. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

The police report has been circulated. There appears to be an increase in the level of anti-social behaviour in the village.

10. PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND PARK AND RIDE

The number 13 service is to revert to a 30 minute service, and it is encouraging to see that the Bus Company and CYC are taking note of residents' views. This means additional journeys between here and York, with four before 9.00 am. The Clerk to write to Julian Sturdy, MP, to thank him for his works on this, and thanks also to Cllr Mrs Townsend for her efforts.

Please note that since the meeting it has come to the attention of the Parish Council that the report in York Press stating that the No 13 service to and from Copmanthorpe would be reverting to half hourly – in response to requests from residents – was incorrect. First Bus have now confirmed that there will be no change to the Copmanthorpe service.

Work on the new Park and Ride facility is progressing, and the first phase is due for completion by the end of August.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

Mr Les Wood is concerned about the lack of any new recruits for the Task Force. Cllr Mrs Auton will design a poster to try to attract more people, and the group will consider changing from Wednesday morning to Monday Cllr afternoons.

Mrs Auton

The Churches are starting to withdraw from organising the Street Fair, and are looking for other volunteers to take it on. The next meeting will be on 15 October at 7.00 pm in St Giles Church.

It has been suggested that the village should have a Scarecrow Competition, possibly in conjunction with the Horticultural Show. Cllr Mrs Auton will discuss with David Whiteman.

Mrs Auton

12. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

a) Planning

It was AGREED that Cllr Carr should phone Mr Sledmore and offer the support of the Parish Council for his eco-housing proposal.

Cllr Carr

Approvals have been received for 6 Top Lane, 113 Temple Lane and the Co-op Store in Church Street.

b) Roads and Footpaths

No meeting has been held. It is noted that some repairs to potholes on Top Lane have been carried out, but not the resurfacing that we had requested. Potholes on Flaxman Croft have been repaired in a similar way.

c) Finance

Nothing to report.

13. ACTION REVIEW

Nothing outstanding.

14. ACCOUNTS

Balances at the Bank

Community Account	£	20,101.55
Business Money Manager Account		21,829.33
	£	41,930.88
Credits to the Account this Month		
Interest on Money Master Account	£	4.10

Accounts to be Paid this Month

Brighter Gardens	£	545.00
York Graphic Arts – posters		72.00
John Gospel – fence at burial ground		70.00
Petty Cash		30.00
P D Greenwell – expenses		227.69
P D Greenwell – salary		393.75
HMRC – PAYE		271.80
	£	1,610.24

The payment of these Accounts was PROPOSED by Cllr Mrs Auton. SECONDED by Cllr Whitfield. ALL IN FAVOUR.

15. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Scarecrow competition. First World War Commemoration. Bequest from Lady of the Manor. Street Fair organisation.

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 17 September 2013 in the Howell Hall at 7.30 pm. To be preceded by a Meeting of the Planning Committee at 7.00 pm. If necessary, there will be an interim Meeting of the Planning Committee on Wednesday 2 October 2013 at 7.15 pm in the Methodist Church Hall.

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