

**A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2015 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE, COPMANTHORPE at 7.30 pm**

**PRESENT:**                    **COUNCILLOR MRS M TAYLOR**                    **Chairman**  
                                 **COUNCILLOR B BELL**  
                                 **COUNCILLOR D CARR**                                **City of York Council**  
                                 **COUNCILLOR M LISTON**  
                                 **COUNCILLOR MRS M MILLER**  
                                 **COUNCILLOR MS J SAXTON**  
                                 **COUNCILLOR R WEST**  
                                 **COUNCILLOR P WHITFIELD**

**Mrs P D Greenwell**                                **Clerk**  
                                 **Ms Kay Bailey**                                        **City of York Council**

**1. APOLOGIES**

Councillor Ms A Little  
Councillor G Simpson  
Councillor I Thompson – who has tendered his resignation

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS**

None

**3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on 14<sup>th</sup> JULY 2015**, having been previously circulated, were PROPOSED by Cllr Mrs Miller as a true and correct record of that Meeting. SECONDED by Cllr Ms Saxton. ALL IN FAVOUR.

**4. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE**

The monthly report has been circulated.

**5. CLERK'S REPORT**

The Clerk has investigated a report of giant hogweed growing in the footpath leading from the bottom of Ploughmans Close to the railway line, and alongside the railway line at the bottom of Fletchers Croft. The plants appeared to have been sprayed and are now dead. However it was AGREED that residents should be asked, via the Newsletter and the website, to be on the lookout for these dangerous plants.

Forms are available for any Councillor wishing to obtain a copy of the current Register of Electors in Copmanthorpe.

**6. ACTION REVIEW**

Wayleave on Low Green – no further news  
BOAT on Yorkfield Lane – ongoing

**7. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Very little progress to report. The next meeting will be on 1 September.

**8. FOOTBRIDGE OVER THE RAILWAY LINE**

The Parish Council, the Recreation Centre Committee and Cllr Carr have all requested that any new footbridge be sited closer to the Recreation Centre, rather than at the site being proposed by Network Rail. A response is awaited.

**9. DRAFT LOCAL PLAN**

Still in abeyance

**10. RECREATION CENTRE**

Cllr Whitfield's report had been circulated.  
The Carnival has made a profit of approx £11,000.

**11. HEDGE AT BURIAL GROUND**

Information on any funding available for the laying of the hedge is still awaited. Clerk

**12. YOUTH CLUB and HOWELL HALL**

The AGM had been held at the end of July. A shed is to be purchased to go at the rear of the Hall to give more storage space. There are currently 20 attendees, but more volunteers are desperately needed to run the sessions, which are currently being run by Jean Auton as Acting Leader. Kay Bailey, CYC, offered to try to get some help from CYC, and there may be help available from students at the College or the University.

**13. PUBLIC TRANSPORT and PARK & RIDE**

The new number 13 bus service is being run by Connexions. Buses run half hourly but there is no service on Sundays.

**14. PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY**

It was AGREED that we should seek to have the field paths off Westfield Lane established as Public Rights of Way. Mr Tim Duffy has previously offered Cllr  
to help with this, and Cllr Liston will speak with him. Liston

**15. ALLOTMENTS**

It was AGREED that the Parish Council would meet twice a year with the allotment holders, in March and October. The matter of the additional tap on Mr Northfield's plot, in place of the water tank, will be discussed at the meeting in two months time. The dates of these meetings will be placed in the Newsletter and on the notice boards at the allotment site.

Clerk

**16. RURAL WEST YORK and COPMANTHORPE WARDS**

CYC wishes to reinstate Ward budgets and Team Meetings. As a separate Ward Copmanthorpe will have its own budget. Ward Teams will continue to liaise with other partners and agencies such as the police, voluntary groups and Parish Councils. After some discussion it was AGREED that we would hold the first Team Meeting in October, and decide in September who should be invited.

Clerk

Cllr Carr is holding a joint surgery with Julian Sturdy MP in the Little Acorns Coffee Shop on 5<sup>th</sup> September at 9.30 am.

**17. CORRESPONDENCE**

The Chairman has received a letter of complaint from a resident who has been told by CYC that they must take down a fence which they have erected in front of their property. Cllr Carr to deal with this.

Cllr

Carr

The Clerk has had some email correspondence about parking on The Link, which is once again becoming a problem. Cllr Carr will pass this over to Highways at CYC, but it is acknowledged that only double yellow lines will make a difference.

**18. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

## a) Planning

The Planning Report has been circulated.

## b) Roads and Footpaths

Date for a meeting is to be arranged.

## c) Finance

No report

**19. ACCOUNTS****Balances at the Bank**

Community Account	£	15,710.52
Business Money Manager Account		21,859.81

	£	37,570.33
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## Credits to the Account this Month

Re: Christopher J Barlow	£	375.00
Interest on Business Money Manager a/c		3.81

	£	378.81
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## Accounts to be Paid this Month

Johnson Brook – re Neighbourhood Plan	£	860.04
Brighter Gardens – grass cutting		525.00
Caroline Anderson – re Sept PC News		60.00
City of York Council – re taps at allotments		50.99
Leslie Wood – expenses re Cop Volunteers		36.74
P D Greenwell – expenses		160.29
P D Greenwell – salary		362.45
HMRC – PAYE		271.80

	£	2,844.25
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The adoption of these Accounts was PROPOSED by Cllr Whitfield. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Taylor. ALL IN FAVOUR.

**20. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

Copmanthorpe Ward meetings  
Exhibition of old village photographs

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.00 pm

Signed ..... Date .....

