# A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE, COPMANTHORPE at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR R WEST Chairman

**COUNCILLOR B BELL** 

COUNCILLOR D CARR City of York Council

COUNCILLOR M LISTON COUNCILLOR MS J SAXTON COUNCILLOR G SIMPSON COUNCILLOR P WHITFIELD

Mrs P D Greenwell Clerk

Mr Keith Tyreman Mrs Becci Blues

Before the meeting began Mr Tyreman, a resident of Sawyers Crescent, thanked the Parish Council for their prompt action in arranging for the removal of posters and placards which had appeared in the summer around the balancing pond on the Tadcaster Road Link. However the path alongside his property, believed to be the responsibility of Network Rail, is continuing to break up. The Parish Council will contact Network Rail to seek a remedy.

Following events last summer, there was again serious flooding in Sawyers Crescent following heavy rainfall in August. Cllr Carr and Julian Sturdy, MP, have been following this up with Yorkshire Water since the first occurrence, and will continue to do so until the problem is solved.

#### 1. APOLOGIES

Councillor Mrs Miller Councillor Mrs Taylor

#### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

None

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS held on 11<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2015 and 1<sup>st</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015, having been previously circulated, were PROPOSED by Cllr Whitfield as true and correct records of those Meetings. SECONDED by Cllr Liston. ALL IN FAVOUR. It is noted that since the August meeting the Sunday bus service has resumed, but is being run by Transdev, rather than Connexions.

# 4. CLERK'S REPORT

Concerns have been raised about a number of properties in Gardeners Close which have extended their gardens into Yorkfield Lane which runs to the rear. Since this is a "green lane" with no ownership, advice will be sought from CYC.

Concerns about inconsiderate parking on The Link have been raised again. The police will only take action if the parking is illegal (too close to the junctions or upon the footpath) which it is not. The Community Safety team at CYC are also unable to help.

Parking congestions is also an ongoing issue in the area around the junction of Station Road, Moor Lane and Copmanthorpe Motors.

### 5. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

There has been some trouble in Barons Crescent, but otherwise the village is quiet.

## 6. ACTION REVIEW

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

#### 7. COPMANTHORPE WARD MEETING

The next Ward Meeting will take place on 4<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00 pm in St Giles Church. The Team Meeting will be held on the same evening.

The budget for Copmanthorpe Ward is approx. £6,000, and it can be rolled over year to year. The Parish Council must present alternative ways of using this money to the residents, listen to any suggestions they may have, and decide how best to use these funds.

# 8. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Cllr Carr and Martin Pickard are meeting with the Landscape Consultant on
Thursday to walk round the village and determine what is important to preserve.

Cllr
The following report will form part of the Strategic Environmental Assessment.

Carr

Kate Bellwood is able to provide a screening opinion at a cost of approx £3,000 and Cllr Liston PROPOSED that she be appointed to carry out this work for a figure of up to £3,500. SECONDED by Cllr Whitfield. ALL IN FAVOUR.

#### 9. FOOTBRIDGE ACROSS THE RAILWAY LINE

Letters from Cllr Carr and the Parish Council to Network Rail, detailing our suggested alternative site for this bridge, have been acknowledged. It is understood that the Recreation Centre and the Ramblers Association have written in support of our suggestion.

#### 10. RECREATION CENTRE

No meeting has been held. No report.

#### 11. DRAFT LOCAL PLAN

Officers have been asked to look again at the housing figures upon which the earlier draft was based, and to look at bringing forward brownfield sites before asking for any building on greenbelt land.

#### 12. YOUTH CLUB and HOWELL HALL

The Youth Club Committee have made offers to a new leader and new deputy leader to run sessions.

#### 13. PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND PARK & RIDE

It is noted that there is now a Sunday bus service from the village into York.

## 14. PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

Cllr Liston will take up the question of rights of way over the field paths off
Westfield Lane with Mr Tim Duffy.

Cllr
Liston

#### 15. ALLOTMENTS

Some plot holders have raised concerns about the condition of other plots. An inspection will take place after the meeting with allotment holders which will take place immediately prior to the next Parish Council meeting. The Clerk will notify allotment holders by means of a notice on the boards at the site.

Clerk

## 16. VILLAGE GATEWAY

Plans to change the location of the 30 mph speed sign on Tadcaster Road and use white lines along the side of the carriageway to slow down traffic were rejected by Councillors. Cllr Whitfield will respond, asking instead for movable Cllr Vehicle Activated Speed Signs, as we have done in the past.

Whitfield

# 17. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

# 18. EXHIBITION OF OLD VILLAGE PHOTOGRAPHS

It was AGREED that we should hold the exhibition of the old photographs in St Giles Church on 24 October, subject to availability of the church premises.

It is hoped that residents will come along and help us to identify who Cllr and what is in the pictures. We can then begin the process of scanning them. Whitfield

# 19. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

# a) Planning

No report circulated

# b) Finance

No meeting has been held

# c) Roads and Footpaths

A meeting will be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> September.

## 20. ACCOUNTS

Balances at the Bank

Community Account Business Money Manager Account	£	13,383.21 21,859.81
	£	35,243.02
Accounts to be Paid this Month		
Brighter Gardens – grass cutting	£	935.00
PKF Littlejohn – Audit fee		240.00
Yorkshire Water – allotments		90.27
Cllr Mrs M Taylor – IT security		59.99
Yorkshire Water – burial ground		17.37
P D Greenwell – salary		362.45
	£	1,705.08

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

# 21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.10 pm

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall. It will be preceded by a Meeting of the Planning Committee, and a meeting with allotment holders, both at 7.00 pm

The interim Planning Committee meeting will take place on 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall.

Signed	Date