

**A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY 13th
OCTOBER 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 P WHITFIELD

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

1. CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLOR

Mrs Rebecca Blues signed her Declaration of Acceptance of Office, which was counter-signed by the Clerk. Cllr Mrs Blues AGREED to sit on the Finance and Newsletter committees.

2. APOLOGIES

Councillor Ms A Little
Councillor R West

3. RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR

Cllr Simpson has tendered his resignation for reasons of ill health.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

None.

5. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on 9th September 2015, having been previously circulated, were PROPOSED by Cllr Mrs Miller as a true and correct record of that Meeting. SECONDED by Cllr Carr. ALL IN FAVOUR.

6. COPMANTHORPE WARD

The Ward Team Meeting will take place on 4th November at 6.30 pm in St Giles Church.

Cllr Carr has received a letter from Network Rail rejecting his and the Parish Council's alternative suggestion for the siting of the new footbridge. Cllrs Carr
Cllr Carr has copied this to Julian Sturdy, MP. It is believed that their reasons and
for rejection of our suggestion are erroneous, and he will respond accordingly. Whitfield
The Clerk has had a similar response, and Cllr Whitfield will draft a reply.

Mrs Mary Bailey, from CYC, explained the detail of the Ward budget for this year. The Council is committed to working with residents and to re-introducing the Ward Committee process. The Ward Team is a multi-agency team, lead by Councillors, which meets regularly to set priorities for the Ward. Ward Committee Meetings are public facing meetings chaired by Ward Councillors. For Copmanthorpe, Cllr Carr has decided in the first instance to amalgamate the two meetings. There can be up to 4 meetings a year, at any time of the year, and they do not all have to be formal meetings.

Savings have to be made in the coming years, and a copy of the Grounds Maintenance Budget for Copmanthorpe indicates that the current cost of these works is £7,419.67, of which almost one third is spent on Gardeners Close. In 2016-17 this must reduce to £5,401.67, and by 2017-18 to £4,099.67. Cllrs are asked consider where savings might be made.

Cllrs

7. **NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE**

The monthly report has been circulated, and the village is generally quiet. Cllr Mrs Blues AGREED to take Cllr Simpson's place as our Police Liaison Representative.

8. **CLERK'S REPORT**

A wreath for the Remembrance Day Service has been ordered.

9. **ACTION REVIEW**

The Clerk has asked for updates on the BOAT for Yorkfield Lane, and the Wayleave across Low Green.

10. **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

To inform the Landscape Character Assessment currently being prepared, Councillors are asked to fill in the online survey on the value of the green areas around the village. To date, 53 responses have been received. Cllr Mrs Taylor has put copies of the survey in the shops, and will take some to the school. The draft of the Landscape Character Assessment will be ready by the end of the month.

Cllr Mrs
Taylor

11. **FOOTBRIDGE OVER THE RAILWAY LINE**

See item 7 above.

12. RECREATION CENTRE and REC CENTRE 2

The monthly report has been circulated. The Social Club is up for sale.

13. DRAFT LOCAL PLAN

The process is being revived, using new housing figures. No further report as yet.

14. YOUTH CLUB and HOWELL HALL

No report.

15. PUBLIC TRANSPORT and PARK AND RIDE

Nothing to report.

16. PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

Cllr Liston has yet to meet with Mr Tim Duffy.

17. ALLOTMENTS

Untended plots continue to be a problem, and an inspection is due. Cllr Liston PROPOSED that we arrange for the removal of the water tank and replace it with an additional tap. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Miller.
ALL IN FAVOUR.

Clerk

The Clerk will also arrange for a skip in November, as in previous years, for the disposal of non-green waste.

Clerk

18. VILLAGE GATEWAY and SPEEDING TRAFFIC

Nothing to report.

19. CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Network Rail re new footbridge – see item 6 above.
A letter of resignation is received from Cllr Simpson.

20. PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION

The exhibition of old photographs of Copmanthorpe will take place on Saturday, 24th October in the St Giles Centre. A rota is in place.

21. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**a) Planning**

The monthly Planning Report has been circulated. APPROVALS have been received for 9 Pike Hills Mount, 5 Station Cottages and 3 Beadle Garth. An application at 22 Merchant Way has been REFUSED.

b) Finance

No meeting has been held. Cllr Bell AGREED to take over from Cllr Ms Little as temporary Chairman.

c) Roads and Footpaths

Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd September have been circulated.

22. ACCOUNTS**Balances at the Bank**

Community Account	£	27,642.21
Business Money Manager Account		21,859.81
	£	49,324.02

Credits to the Account this Month

City of York Council – ½ year Precept	£	14,081.00
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Accounts to be Paid this Month

Stephenson Halliday re Neighbourhood Plan	£	6,277.12
Brighter Gardens		755.00
City of York Council – ½ year allotment rent		497.50
David Whiteman re planters		51.92
P D Greenwell – salary		362.45
	£	7,943.99

The adoption of these Accounts was PROPOSED by Cllr Whitfield. SECONDED by Cllr Carr. ALL IN FAVOUR.

23. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Photographic competition.
Ward funding.

24. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Meeting will take place on Tuesday, 10th November 2015 at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall. To be preceded by a meeting of the Planning Committee at 7.00 pm.
The interim meeting of the Planning Committee will take place on Tuesday, 27th October at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.10 pm.

Signed Date