# A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY, 13th SEPTEMBER 2016 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR MEGAN TAYLOR Chairman

COUNCILLOR BRIAN BELL COUNCILLOR D CARR COUNCILLOR A MOSLEY COUNCILLOR JULIE SAXTON COUNCILLOR PETER WHITFIELD

Mrs P D Greenwell Clerk

#### 1. LOGIES

Cllr Becci Blues Cllr Maggie Miller Cllr Robert West

#### 2. CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLOR

Mr Graham Gatman signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office, which was then counter-signed by the Clerk.

## 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

None.

**4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on Tuesday, 9th August 2016,** having been previously circulated, were PROPOSED by Cllr Megan Taylor as a true and correct record of that Meeting. SECONDED by Cllr Brian Bell. ALL IN FAVOUR.

## 5. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

Generally the village is quiet, but there has been one theft, from a shop in Church Street.

## 6. CLERK'S REPORT

A letter received by a resident, which she believes to be a scam, has been given to the Clerk. Whilst there are no other similar reports it was AGREED that a Cllr warning should be placed on our website and in the Newsletter. Whitfield

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Concerns continue about the condition of the property at 1 Drome Road, which has been empty for some considerable time. As a first step the Clerk is trying to ascertain the whereabouts of the owner.

Clerk

#### 7. ACTION REVIEW

Cllr Becci Blues is still trying to source permanent signs to try to address the parking problems outside public buildings in the village. However the letter sent out on this subject has been well received.

Cllr B Blues

Information on the land to the front of the Royal Oak is awaited.

There is no other site for the shed at the Howell Hall.

#### 8. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN and DRAFT LOCAL PLAN

Work on the Neighbourhood Plan SEA scoping document continues. The consultation period for the Sites in the Draft Local Plan closed on 12<sup>th</sup> September. It is likely that house builders will challenge the housing figures.

Cllr Whitfield expressed grave concern over the fact that Cllr Carr was openly supporting the development of c.260 new houses in Copmanthorpe as part of the new draft Local Plan and that, as this was nearly twice as many as the maximum 135 new houses central to the draft Neighbourhood Plan, it could fatally undermine the Neighbourhood Plan at Examination stage.

#### 9. COPMANTHORPE WARD COMMITTEE

There will be a Ward Committee meeting towards the end of October.

Resurfacing of the road at the back of the Co-op will be carried out w/c 26 September, using Ward funding of approx. £12,000.

A new light will be installed on Back Lane at a cost of £2,000.

An award of £2,800 has been made to the Scouts for resurfacing work around the hut.

There is still £8,000 available to spend.

## 10. REPORTS

#### a) Planning

The Planning Report has been circulated.

#### b) Finance

No meeting has been held. Information on internet banking has been obtained from HSBC, and the Finance Committee needs to meet to progress this.

Cllr Bell

## c) Roads and Footpaths

A list of potholes, hedges etc. has been circulated.

Clerk

#### d) Youth Club and Howell Hall

Jean Auton has asked for a meeting with the Parish Council to discuss the future of the Youth Club, which is currently without a leader. Cllrs Bell/Bell and Whitfield will contact her to arrange a suitable date. Whitfield The loft at the Howell Hall has now been boarded out and Cllr Whitfield will discuss with the Autons storage of Parish Council property.

## e) Public Transport and Park & Ride

The token system for students parking in the Park & Ride car park has not yet been introduced.

## f) Allotments

The water tank has been removed by CYCand replaced with an additional tap.

Unfortunately whilst doing this the workmen damaged the gate, and the
Clerk has asked CYC to make good the damage.

Clerk

It has not been possible to find an answer to the rabbit problem.

A skip will be ordered for early November.

Clerk

#### 11. RECREATION CENTRE and REC CENTRE 2

The monthly report has been circulated.

### 12. ARCHIVE PHOTOGRAPHS AND EXHIBITION

St Giles has been booked for the Exhibition of archive photographs on 29<sup>th</sup> October, between 12.00 noon and 4.00 pm. A rota will be required. Clerk Cllr Mrs Taylor will bring tea, coffee etc.

The work to digitise the old photographs could be done, by the Borthwick Institute, in October. Cllr Mrs Taylor PROPOSED that we ask them to go ahead with this. SECONDED by Cllr Whitfield. ALL IN FAVOUR.

Cllr Mrs Taylor

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## 13. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS and TREES on ST GILES WAY

The electrician informs us that a separate junction box would be required, similar to that installed on Memorial Green, if we decide that lights are to be placed in these trees. We need to liaise with CYC about this.

Cllr
Whitfield

The trees are now very large, and a resident has asked that they be pruned since they are blocking light to the rear of her house in the mornings.

Clerk

#### 14. CORRESPONDENCE

See item 6 above.

## 15. ACCOUNTS

## **Balances at the Bank**

Community Account Business Money Manager Account	£	19,032.27 21,875.08
	£	40,907.35
Credits to the Account this Month		
CYC – Ward grant re Horseman Drive	£	220.00
Accounts to be Paid this Month		
Brighter Gardens – grass cutting	£	680.00
Mr Les Wood – Copmanthorpe Volunteers expenses		224.81
Caroline Anderson – September PC News		60.00
Yorkshire Water – allotments		44.50
Yorkshire Water – burial ground		17.74
P D Greenwell – expenses re photographic competition and horti	cultura	
P D Greenwell – salary		367.95
	£	1,478.00

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

# 16. ACTION REVIEW

Storage at Howell Hall – Cllr Whitfield
Rota for Photographic Exhibition – Clerk
Roads and Footpaths report – Clerk
Finance Committee meeting – Cllr Bell
Confirm SEA scoping report for Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr Mrs Taylor

## 17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall. 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 Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 8.45 pm.								

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