A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY, 14TH MARCH 2017 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR MEGAN TAYLOR Chairman

COUNCILLOR BECCI BLUES COUNCILLOR DAVID CARR

COUNCILLOR GRAHAM GATMAN COUNCILLOR JEANNE GULLEN COUNCILLOR MAGGIE MILLER COUNCILLOR ADAM MOSLEY COUNCILLOR JULIE SAXTON COUNCILLOR ROBERT WEST COUNCILLORPETER WHITFIELD

Mrs P D Greenwell Clerk

1. APOLOGIES

Councillor Brian Bell

2. CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLOR

Mrs Jeanne Gullen signed her 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 14th February 2017, having been previously circulated, were PROPOSED by Cllr Whitfield as a true and correct record of that Meeting. SECONDED by Cllr Becci Blues. ALL IN FAVOUR.

5. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

The police report had been circulated. There have been two separate incidences, in St Nicholas Crescent and Potters Drive, of unsolicited workmen charging for poor quality work. Also, suspected poachers at Copmanthorpe Grange.

6. CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk has been asked by a resident on Drome Road to write to their neighbour about the height of a leylandii hedge. A letter has been sent,

Clerk

and the recipient has asked the Clerk to visit and discuss the matter.

7. ACTION REVIEW

It is now thought that the planters at the Royal Oak, and the A-board, should be moved forward to the boundary with the road, thus leaving a safe gap for pedestrians between the building and the planters.

Cllr Mosley

Cllr Bell has agreed to set up a sub-committee to organise the beacon to mark the end of the First World War. He and Cllrs Becci Blues and Peter Whitfield will meet to discuss.

There has been no progress as yet on the future arrangements for the management of the Howell Hall, but there should be something positive to report by next month.

Our response to the proposed experimental relocation of the 30 mph sign on Tadcaster Road has been noted by CYC.

8. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN and DRAFT LOCAL PLAN

The Neighbourhood Plan is now complete and, as part of the consultation process, a public exhibition will be held on 8th April in the St Giles Centre.

A meeting with Officers at CYC has been arranged prior to the (re)pre-submission of the Neighbourhood Plan, to ensure that everything is in order and there will be no further delays.

The DCLG have agreed that CYC can investigate the possibilities for housing on the Imphal and Strensall Barracks sites.

9. RECREATION CENTRE

The report has been circulated.

10. COPMANTHORPE WARD

A meeting of Officers and Members has been held with representatives of Virgin Media, at which the various complaints about their work in Copmanthorpe and elsewhere were discussed at length.

The next Ward Meeting will be held on 28th March in the Howell Hall, and Cllr Carr will be holding a joint Surgery with Julian Sturdy, MP early in May, at Little Acorns.

There is still £4,000 in the budget for this year, which will be carried over, and a further £30,000 will be available next year.

11. WORLD WAR ONE COMMEMORATION

Cllr Brian Bell will chair a Sub-Committee to organise a commemorative beacon.

12. VEHICLE ACTIVATED SPEED SIGNS

Cllr Brian Bell is awaiting a response from the Fire Service. It is possible that Cllr Ian Gillies may be able to offer some assistance with this.

13. FRACKING

FrackfreeYork seek our views on how we might respond to any application to frack in or around the village. Whilst Cllr Carr stated that he was not aware of any such application having been received in relation to any part of the CYC area, it was AGREED that we should invite a representative from the group to address the Parish Council, in order to enable an informed response to any such application.

14. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

a) Planning

The monthly report was circulated.

b) Finance

It was suggested that the Recreation Centre should apply to the Ward Committee for funding.

c) Roads and Footpaths

Nothing to report.

d) Public Transport and Park & Ride

The return fare on the Park & Ride will increase from £2.80 to £2.90 with effect from 26th March.

e) Allotments

An inspection had taken place on 4th March, and minutes from this had been circulated. Plots are generally much tidier than of late. There had been a request to reduce the height of the hedge, and concerns about children's safety close to the ditches had been raised. The Clerk will write to the Ainsty

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Drainage Board to see what might be done, perhaps by way of fencing. Clerk

The Scouts have offered to help in tidying up overgrown plots before they change hands. This help would be welcomed. Clerk

15. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

We now have a price for the lights, but costings and permissions are still awaited for the necessary electrical work, as well as a cost to place the lights Cllr in the trees. Whitfield

16. PHOTOGRAPHIC ARCHIVE

The archive is now completely digitised and ready to go online. The albums with the original photographs need to kept somewhere separate from the hard Cllr drive. Whitfield

17. CORRESPONDENCE

An aircraft has been caught on the Recreation Centre's CCTV flying extremely low over the village. This has been reported to the Civil Aviation Authority and we await hearing their comments.

18. ACCOUNTS

Balances at the Bank

Community Account	£	26,073.02
Business Money Manager Account		21,881.51
	£	47,954.53
Credits to the Account this Month		
City of York Council re grass cutting	£	334.23
Re: Terance Graves		75.00
Re: Allotments		6.25
	£	415.48

Accounts to be Paid this Month

University of York – re photographic archive	£	1,797.88
Kate Bellwood Associates – re Neighbourhood Plan		1,250.00
Come4Lunch – grant		1,000.00
Howell Hall – rent for meetings		500.00
Caroline Anderson – March PC News		60.00
St Giles Church – 2 x gazebo pitches at Street Fair		56.00
Yorkshire Water – allotments		44.12
The Information Commissioner – Data Protection registration renewal		35.00
Yorkshire Water – burial ground		20.00
P D Greenwell – allotment management training course		115.00
P D Greenwell – salary		367.95
	£	5,245.95

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

19. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

This will take place on 28th March. Cllr Whitfield will supply name badges.

The Clerk asked that anyone giving a report or presentation send this to her electronically.

Cllrs

20. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Street Fair Garden competition Fracking

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

Signed	Date