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

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR MEGAN TAYLOR Chairman

COUNCILLOR BRIAN BELL
COUNCILLOR BECCI BLUES
COUNCILLOR DAVID CARR
COUNCILLOR JULIE SAXTON
COUNCILLOR ROBERT WEST
COUNCILLOR PETER WHITFIELD

Mrs P D Greenwell Clerk

Two members of the public

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr Jeanne Gullen

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST and DISPENSATIONS

None.

3. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on 10th October 2017** had been previously circulated and were PROPOSED by Cllr Brian Bell as a true and correct record of that Meeting. SECONDED by Cllr Robert West. ALL IN FAVOUR.

4. ELECTION and CO-OPTION

Mr Graham Auton, having been duly elected at the recent election to serve as a Parish Councillor, signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, which was then countersigned by the Clerk.

Mr Andy Glyn-Mills was officially co-opted on to the Parish Council and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, which was then countersigned by the Clerk.

5. CASUAL VACANCY

An application to fill the seat left vacant by the resignation of Cllr Graham Gatman has been received by Mr Tim Duffy, and circulated to members. Cllr Whitfield PROPOSED that Mr Duffy be co-opted on the basis of the information already given, with the proviso that he complete the official form of application,

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once it has been approved by CYC. SECONDED by Cllr Carr. ALL IN FAVOUR. The Clerk will write to Mr Duffy.

Clerk

6. FRACKING

It had been hoped that Professor Richard Davies, from Newcastle
University, might have been able to attend this evening to give a balanced
view of the debate around fracking. This has not been possible, and
neither has it apparently been possible for the representative of iGas to
attend. In light of this it was AGREED that the Parish Council would
take the view that, should an application be made to frack in the close vicinity
of the village, it would be minded to oppose such an application if it were
thought to be detrimental to the amenity of the village. We would also
Cllrs
support neighbouring communities in similar situations. A statement to
Taylor/
this effect will be added to the Parish Council website.
Whitfield

7. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

Sgt Julie Hitchcock had attended the Ward Meeting held immediately prior to this Meeting. The police are very aware of the drug use and antisocial behaviour which is becoming more prevalent in certain parts of the village, and of some of those responsible for this, and it is hoped that the police, working with Cllr Carr, will be able to arrange a public meeting where residents will be able to voice their concerns. Cllr Becci Blues has made clear our concerns to the PCSO.

8. CLERK'S REPORT

There have been problems with CYC's collection of recycling. This matter had been raised at the Ward Meeting held earlier this evening. A resident of Low Green had raised concerns about anti-social behaviour in that part of the village. Again, this had been discussed with the police at the Ward Meeting.

9. ACTION REVIEW

Cllr West is still awaiting Roads and Footpaths reports from a number of Members, and would like these by the end of November.

Cllrs Due to the resignation of Cllr Gatman the revisions of the Values & Behaviours and Social Media policies are still outstanding.

Four applications have been received for the post of manager at the Howell Hall.

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10. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

a) Planning

The Planning Report had been circulated. It was noted that the building work at 2 College Road is at variance with the approved plans. This is a matter for the Enforcement Officer at CYC.

Mrs Taylor

b) Roads and Footpaths

Reports need to be sent to the Chairman by the end of this month. Cllrs

c) Finance

A draft budget has been drawn up, and work on this will continue. Cllr The Clerk has completed the forms to register for online banking, and this will be progressed once the bank has been informed of her change of address.

11. PUBLIC TRANSPORT and PARK & RIDE

Nothing to report.

12. PUBLIC TRANSPORT in the TEMPLE LANE AREA

A matter to be raised by Cllr Mrs Gullen – defer to next month.

13. TRAFFIC ON CHURCH STREET

The footpath between the old vicarage and the butcher's shop on Main Street is in a very poor state due to vehicles having to mount the kerb in order to pass. Cllr Carr will arrange for CYC to attend to this.

14. BENCH AT THE TOP OF MANOR HEATH

Cllr West PROPOSED that this be repaired, rather than replaced, as the base is still sound. SECONDED by Cllr Bell. ALL IN FAVOUR. Clerk

15. ALLOTMENTS

Letters have been sent to allotment holders whose plots are in need of work.

16. VALUES AND BEHAVIOURS

Cllr Whitfield will circulate the draft document for comments, with a view to formal adoption at the next meeting.

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17. SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

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18. STANDING ORDERS

Following the most recent amendments Cllr West PROPOSED that these be formally adopted. SECONDED by Cllr Whitfield. ALL IN FAVOUR.

19. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN and DRAFT LOCAL PLAN

Consultation on the Draft Local Plan has now ended and the results will be analysed. This work should be completed by the end of March. There will then be a Publication Draft consultation, the results of which will go to the government. It is anticipated that there will be considerable resistance to the Plan from local builders and developers.

Work on the Neighbourhood Plan is ongoing.

20. RECREATION CENTRE and REC CENTRE 2

The monthly report has been circulated.

21. YOUTH CLUB and HOWELL HALL

Upwards of 25 well behaved and respectful young people now regularly attend the Youth Club. There are two Youth Leaders but volunteers are still needed.

The Howell Hall is financially self-sufficient thanks to the rent paid by Panda Playgroup, and some improvement projects are in the pipeline.

22. COPMANTHORPE WARD

Nothing further to report.

23. WORLD WAR ONE COMMEMMORATIONS

Following on from Cllr Bell's work on this, the Chairman PROPOSED that we purchase a beacon, and apply to the Ward for a grant to cover the cost of £360. SECONDED by Cllr Whitfield. ALL IN FAVOUR.

Bell

Following on from the Clerk's correspondence in the summer with the Airfields of Britain Conservation Trust, it was AGREED that we should seek to obtain from them a plaque to commemorate the Second World War Airfield in the Drome Road area, and place this within the railings surrounding the village war memorial.

24. HERITAGE TRAIL

Cllrs Whitfield and Bell have devised an action plan to progress this.

Some quotes for the necessary work have been sought, but CYC may be able to offer a better price for some aspects of the work. Quotes are also being sought from a local supplier for the design of the website and printed matter. It has been suggested that new entrance signs for the village be designed, and the existing ones, created a few years ago, be re-sited on public buildings such as the school or Howell Hall.

Whitfield

25. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Due to delays in hearing back from CYC it will not now be possible to have the additional lights on St Giles Way installed this year.

26. CORRESPONDENCE

Emails have been received about anti-social behaviour and drug use in the village, and also about recent problems with the collection of recycling by CYC.

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27. ACCOUNTS

Balances at the Bank

Community Account Business Money Manager Account	£	37,497.84 21,888.05
	£	59,385.89
Credits to the Account this Month		
Bank Interest on Business Money Mgr a/c	£	2.18
Accounts to be Paid this Month		
Sports Turf Services Brighter Gardens Aetherweb – website hosting P D Greenwell – Remembrance Day wreath P D Greenwell – salary	£	970.13 920.00 120.00 17.00 367.95
	£	2,395.08

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

28. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Vehicle Activated Speed Signs.

29. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Meeting will take place on Tuesday, 12th December 2017 at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall. To be preceded by a Meeting of the Planning Committee at 7.00 pm.

A Meeting of the Finance Committee will take place on Tuesday, 5th December 2017 at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall.

There being no further business the Meeting	closed at 9.15 pm.
Signed	Date