A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY, 9th JULY 2019 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR MEGAN TAYLOR Chairman

COUNCILLOR GRAHAM AUTON COUNCILLOR DAVID CARR COUNCILLOR TIM DUFFY COUNCILLOR LARS KRAMM COUNCILLOR MELISSA MAGSON

COUNCILLOR R WEST

COUNCILLOR P WHITFIELD

Mrs P D Greenwell Clerk

Six members of the public

PCSO North Yorkshire Police

Before the business of the Meeting began residents expressed their concerns about a proposal to construct a bungalow on land to the rear of 40 Horseman Lane. This land has for many years been a "green corridor" for birds, including bullfinches and woodpeckers, and also hedgehogs, and mallards on a pond. There are also concerns about the proposal for a shared driveway. The Parish Council had discussed this application at a meeting of the Planning Committee earlier this evening, and will be objecting on the grounds outlined by the residents.

1. APOLOGIES

None.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

Cllr Auton declared an Interest in Item 9, the quotation to be discussed being submitted by his son-in-law.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on 11th June 2019, having been previously circulated, were PROPOSED by Cllr Mrs Taylor as a true and correct record of that Meeting. SECONDED by Cllr Whitfield. ALL IN FAVOUR.

4. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

The monthly report has been circulated.

There has been an increase in reports of incidences of alleged drug taking at the Recreation Centre, and damage to equipment in the play area. Unfortunately these have not been reported directly to the police, and those working there will be urged to report such matters.

There are also concerns about repeated damage to glass in the bus shelters in the village.

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The police have delivered leaflets in the Manor Heath/College Road area warning of the risks of leaving windows and doors unlocked.

5. CLERK'S REPORT

A resident of Drome Road has reported a problem with a large leylandii hedge in a neighbour's garden. The Clerk has been to look at this a couple of years ago. The Parish Council has no powers to intervene in a neighbour dispute of this kind.

The ditch at the Drome Road boundary of the allotments is overgrown, and has been reported to the Ainsty Internal Drainage Board.

6. ACTION REVIEW

The Clerk has contacted Stephensons, who are dealing with the Wiseman Estate, and asked that the hedge at the Manor Heath/Colton Lane junction be moved back.

The damaged bollard at the shops has been mended.

7. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

a) Planning

The monthly report has been circulated. Cllr Carr will call in the application at 40 Horseman Lane, so the decision Cllr will be made by the CYC Planning Committee. Carr

Cllr

b) Roads and Footpaths

No meeting has been held. Cllr Whitfield will amend the map used to allocate members to particular areas of the village for the purpose of reporting problems. Whitfield

c) Finance

Minutes of a Meeting held on 25th June have been circulated.

8. YORKFIELD LANE – Definitive Map Modification Order

This matter is due to go for a decision by the Executive Member for Transport Cllr on 29 August. Cllr Carr will attend this meeting. Carr Sheet 3 Folio 1055 ACTION

9. PURCHASE OF LAND AT FARMERS WAY

The Clerk has instructed Harrowells, Solicitors, to act on behalf of the Parish Council in this purchase. The fee should be in the region of £500 plus disbursements.

10. TREES AT YORKFIELD LANE

It would be very expensive to cut back the trees on Yorkfield Lane between Low Green and Merchant Way. Instead, it is PROPOSED that they be cut back by about 2 metres so that they are clear of the path and to a height of 5 metres. A large oak tree on the Top Lane/Low Green footpath is subject to a TPO, so permission has been sought for the necessary work to this. There is also a considerable amount of vegetation to be removed from this path.

Cllr Whitfield PROPOSED that the quote of £1,480 from Branches Out be accepted. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Taylor. Cllr Auton having declared an Interest did not vote, but all other Cllrs AGREED that the quote be accepted.

11. PUBLIC TRANSPORT and PARK & RIDE

The bus company First have increased some of their fares, but this does not affect the Park & Ride or the number 13. A token system is to be introduced for drivers using the Park & Ride service.

12. ALLOTMENTS

An inspection has taken place and a report circulated. The Clerk stated that clerk a number of plots are currently vacant.

Cllr Duffy is meeting a builder to discuss works to the stile and steps.

13. BURIAL GROUND

The Clerk has met with the grass cutting contractor, who has now tidied the older graves, removing dead grass and sapling trees. It was PROPOSED that we seek to establish a Friends of the Burial Ground group to look after these older plots where no-one is in the village to maintain them. Cllr Mrs Magson will promote this on social media.

Magson

14. RECYCLING

The Friends of St Nicholas Fields have spoken to children at the school about

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recycling. Cllr Auton has taken to St Nick's the biscuit and crisp packets collected at the Howell Hall.

15. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The revised Strategic Environmental Assessment has been received, and the Neighbourhood Plan Group will meet to agree that this be inserted into the Neighbourhood Plan.

16. CYC DRAFT LOCAL PLAN

The latest consultation period will end on 22nd July. The two MoD sites at Strensall are to be taken out of the Plan, but before then there will be a formal six week consultation. The total number of houses in York has now been reduced from 867 to 790 per annum, so logically Copmanthorpe should not have to take so many. As Ward Councillor, Cllr Carr will put this view when cllr responding to the consultation, and members are encouraged to do likewise.

A decision on the proposal for 500 houses on Moor Lane, Woodthorpe, will be taken on Thursday, but this site is very close to Askham Bog and refusal is likely.

17. RECREATION CENTRE

The monthly report has been circulated.

18. COPMANTHORPE WARD

Potholes at the junctions of Flaxman Croft with Merchant Way, and a deep depression in the road by the bus stop outside 34 Top Lane, have been reported.

Repairs have been carried out to the path behind the tennis courts.

The 30 mph signs on Tadcaster Road have been relocated.

A request for street lights on Horseman Close has been submitted.

Work to ascertain the reason for the failure of the road surface on Hallcroft Lane is ongoing.

Discussions with CYC on some sort of pedestrian crossing at the Royal Oak are ongoing, as is the planning enforcement in relation to the sign above the fish and chip shop.

19. COMMUNITY EVENTS

The group will meet on Thursday to progress arrangements for the Christmas

Event, and to consider what can be done to mark the 75^{th} Anniversary of VE Day on 8^{th} May 2020.

Cllr Mrs Taylor asked members to give some thought as to what we could include on a banner to go in the library, as previously discussed.

All Cllrs

20. CYCLE WAY ON TADCASTER ROAD

This matter has been discussed by Cllr Carr with officers of CYC, and it has been ascertained that the road is too narrow to accommodate non-mandatory cycle lanes. After much discussion on various options, and due to concerns about safety, members voted 7-1 AGAINST pursuing this matter further.

21. DEFIBRILATOR

Progress is slow, as Smithson Court is currently without a site manager.

The Clerk has been told that McCarthy & Stone are not willing to pay for the power supply. Cllr Carr will approach Yorkshire Water to see if there is any possibility of putting the defibrillator on their box on Merchant Way.

Clerk

22. HERITAGE TRAIL

The leaflets have now been printed and were available for visitors to the stand at the Carnival. They will also be placed in the Post Office and the library. The interpretation board is not yet complete. Cllr Mrs Taylor PROPOSED a vote of thanks to Cllr Whitfield for all his hard work on this.

23. CARNIVAL

The Carnival was very well attended. It was AGREED that we need to replace our gazebos, and re-think how we present our stand for next year.

24. COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH

The volunteers have been deployed once in the past month, and will go out again next Tuesday. It was acknowledged that the scheme should be extended if possible.

25. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

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26. ACCOUNTS		
Balances at the Bank		
Community Account Business Money Manager Account	£	38,151.56 21,935.31
	£	60,086.87
Credits to the Account this Month		
Allotments Receipt 73		27.00
Interest on Money Master a/c		11.77
	£	38.77
Accounts to be Paid this Month		
Brighter Gardens	£	750.00
Copmanthorpe Youth Club – rent		500.00
York Graphic Arts		85.00
Caroline Anderson – June PC News		60.00
Friends of St Nicholas Fields		50.00
Fee for judge – gardening competition		50.00
Stuart Auton – allotment taps		25.00
Petty Cash		60.00
P D Greenwell – salary		389.02
HMRC – PAYE		317.00
	£	2,286.02
The adoption of these Accounts was PROPOSED by Cllr Duf	fy.	

27. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

SECONDED by Cllr Auton. ALL IN FAVOUR.

Trees

Public Rights of Way

28. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Meeting will take place on Tuesday, 13th August 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 take place on Tuesday, 30th July at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall.

There being no further business the Meeting	closed at 10.10 pm.
Signed	Date