A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY, 10th SEPTEMBER 2019 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR ROBERT WEST Chairman

COUNCILLOR GRAHAM AUTON
COUNCILLOR DAVID CARR
COUNCILLOR TIM DUFFY
COUNCILLOR LARS KRAMM
COUNCILLOR MELISSA MAGSON
COUNCILLOR MEGAN TAYLOR
COUNCILLOR PETER WHITFIELD

Mrs P D Greenwell Clerk

One member of the public

Two PCSOs North Yorkshire Police

Before the business of the Meeting began Mr Keith Tyreman raised a number of issues: There is evidence of fly tipping on Yorkfield Lane behind the properties in Gardeners Close. Cllr Carr will investigate.

Repairs to the footpath between Wheelwrights Close and the tennis courts had been marked for attention but the work not carried out. Cllr Carr will investigate.

Land alongside the railway line at Sawyers Crescent is very overgrown. Cllr Carr explained that there is a problem with the weed spraying carried out by CYC; the substance used is thought not to be strong enough. This is a city-wide problem.

Mr Tyreman expressed his thanks for the work recently carried out at the Burial Ground, and his wife has offered her services as a member of the Friends of Copmanthorpe Burial Ground. when that is properly set up.

There is evidence of drug use on Yorkfield Lane between Low Green and Merchant Way. The police are aware of this.

1. APOLOGIES

None.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

None.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on 13th August 2019, having been previously circulated were PROPOSED by Cllr Carr as a true and correct record of that Meeting. SECONDED by Cllr Auton. ALL IN FAVOUR.

4. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

The monthly report has been circulated.

The Officers present reported that there has been a spike in burglaries in West York in the past month. In Copmanthorpe, there has been one incidence of anti-social behaviour in August, and further damage to bus shelters. The Parish Council will use the Newsletter to remind residents of the need to secure their properties, locking doors and windows.

5. CLERK'S REPORT

There have been a number of comments/suggestions with regard to proposed tree planting in the village.

The Clerk will attend the YLCA Annual Conference at the end of this week.

6. ACTION REVIEW

The bus shelter has been repaired once again. The visit by Good Gym has yet to be arranged.

7. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

a) Planning

The monthly report has been circulated.

The sign on the top of the Fish and Chip Shop has been removed, but permission has been granted for the fascia sign. There has been no application as yet in respect of the sheds to the rear of the property.

b) Roads and Footpaths

Cllr Auton has re-done the village map to split it into areas for inspection/monitoring by Members.

Following the Village Inspection by CYC Officers and Cllr Carr a Schedule of Works is awaited.

There is a quantity of ivy coming over the wall onto the footpath at

42 Main Street. The Clerk will write to the owners.

A hedge at Templars Court is similarly overgrown. Clerk

A silver birch tree in the verge on Horseman Drive is causing concern

to owners of the nearby property. They will be advised in the first in the Cllr first instance to have proper survey to determine what is happening. Auton

It is noted that some of the cherry trees on Horseman Lane may be

in need of work, and they will be inspected in the Spring.

Bushes are growing over the cycle path on Tadcaster Road and

the tactile surface at the corner of Station Road has been repaired but has now lifted again.

Cllr Carr

Clerk

c) Finance

A Meeting had been held last week. The budget had been reviewed and no problems raised. Reserves are being held for Rec Centre 2, defence of the Local Plan should that become necessary, and the purchase of additional land for the burial ground.

Cllr Mrs Taylor sought approval to purchase a solid state hard drive for the laptop computer used for planning applications, at a cost of approx. £40. AGREED. Cllr Mrs

It was AGREED that all Councillors should be added to the bank mandate as signatories, to satisfy new banking regulations.

8. PLANNING APPEAL – land adjacent to Askham Bog

This application, for over 500 houses, has been refused by CYC but is now going to appeal in November. Cllr Carr will attend if required, and if he is advised by CYC that it would be beneficial.

9. YORKFIELD LANE

CYC have agreed that the Definitive Map Modification Order should be made on the earlier of either the completion of the Parish Council's purchase of the land from Mr Brewster or 28 February 2020. After this date there will be a period of consultation and, if no objections are received, the Order will be made. In the case of objection the matter will be decided by the Secretary of State. The Clerk will seek an update from our solicitor.

10. PUBLIC TRANSPORT and PARK & RIDE

The late night service currently running to the village will end on 29th September.

York Civic Trust are carrying out a consultation on future requirements for the whole city area.

Cllr Kramm PROPOSED a Village Transport Forum on a Sunday in either January or February to discuss road use, and facilities for walkers and cyclists. Representatives from the bus companies and CYC will be invited, and refreshments will be provided. AGREED.

11. ALLOTMENTS

Three quotes were requested for work to the access points at the site, but only one received. To remove the existing stile and fence with a new gate and fence, and build new steps and handrail at the side entrance, for a total cost of £1,050. It was AGREED that the quote be accepted.

A quote of £1,200 has been received from Brighter Gardens for the work to clear the ditch. Cllr Carr will attend the Meeting of the Drainage Board next week and raise this matter with them.

Cllr Carr

A date will be fixed for an inspection.

12. RECYCLING

Cllr Auton is taking collected recycling to St Nick's each week, and has had one offer of help from a resident, but more help is needed.

Cllr Kramm PROPOSED that we hold a Village Streetcycle Day in the Spring, and ask residents to leave items outside their properties for others to buy or take away at no cost. To be discussed at the next Meeting.

13. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

A new Strategic Environmental Assessment has been resubmitted to CYC, and the questions subsequently raised have been answered.

14. DRAFT LOCAL PLAN

The date for the Inquiry will be notified to us soon.

15. RECREATION CENTRE

No Meeting was held in August, but a report has been circulated.

16. COPMANTHORPE WARD

Various matters reported under earlier agenda items.

17. COMMUNITY EVENTS

The Christmas Event Group has met, and many aspects of the event on 7th December are now booked or organised. It is clear that a lot of Stewards will be required.

18. PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

Only two entries (12 photos) have been received. Cllr Mrs Magson will continue to promote this.

19. DEFIBRILLATOR

Cllr Auton has received confirmation that we can tap into any street lighting column in the village for power to supply a defibrillator. It is acknowledged that the centre of the village is already well served with defibrillators but there is no provision in the Temple Lane area, or other estates in the village. It was AGREED that we should install the defibrillator we already have in the redundant BT phone box on Horseman Lane, and seek funding for additional equipment to serve these other areas. The Clerk will progress this with BT.

Clerk

Cllr Mrs

Magson

20. HERITAGE TRAIL

Additional supplies of the leaflet have been left in the post office and library. Quotes are being sought for new village entry signs, which will feature the tree logo from the front of the leaflet, as well as for an interpretation board. Alternatives to a dedicated website will be discussed next month.

21. PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

Cllr Kramm will circulate the Evidence Form for members to complete. Cllrs

22. TREE PLANTING

Cllrs Kramm, Mrs Taylor and Whitfield will form a Working Group to identify where additional trees might be planted. The Clerk and Councillors Cllrs/will forward information/ requests received from residents.

23. SPEEDWATCH

The equipment is to be returned to Bishopthorpe for the time being. Further deployments will be discussed towards the end of October.

24. ACCOUNTS

Balances at the Bank

Community Account	£	36,676.99	
Business Money Manager Account		21,946.25	
	£	58,623.24	
Credits to the Account this Month			
Credits to the 7 tecount this Month			
HMRC - VAT Refund	£	758.92	
Re: Sandra Marie Atherton		375.00	
Interest on Business Money Master a/c		10.94	
	£	1,144.86	
Accounts to be Paid this Month			
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Brighter Gardens	£	1,535.00	
Yorkshire Water – burial ground		20.40	
Yorkshire Water – allotments		7.03	
P D Greenwell – expenses re gardening comp		33.00	
P D Greenwell – salary		388.22	
Village Green – for Copmanthorpe Volunteers		500.00	
	£	2,483.65	
The adoption of these Accounts was PROPOSED by Cllr Whitfield.			
SECONDED by Cllr Duffy. ALL IN FAVOUR			

25. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Burial Ground – Good Gym

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26. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Meeting will take place on Tuesday, 8th October 2019 at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall, and will be preceded by a Meeting of the Planning Committee at 7.00 pm.

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There being no further business the Meeting close	ed at 10.05 pm.
Signed	Date