

A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY, 10th OCTOBER 2023 AT 7.30 PM in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE, COPMANTHORPE.

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR GRAHAM AUTON Chairman
COUNCILLOR MIKE BIRTHILL
COUNCILLOR LARS KRAMM
COUNCILLOR DAVID SMITH
COUNCILLOR CHRIS STEWARD
COUNCILLOR MRS MEGAN TAYLOR
COUNCILLOR ROBERT WEST
COUNCILLOR PETER WHITFIELD

Mrs P Diane Greenwell Clerk
Cllr Chris Steward City of York Council
Two members of the public
One representative from the York Press

Before the business of the Meeting began Mr Keith Tyreman asked for an update on the development of a volunteers group to look after the burial ground. The Clerk has been contacted by four individuals, and she will pass Mr Tyreman's contact details to them.

A reporter from the York Press had informed the Clerk of his intention to attend this evening's meeting in connection with the recently imposed Weight Limit on the bridge in Bishopthorpe. As this was not an agenda item, a discussion prior to the Meeting took place.

The Chairman reported that he had attended the CYC Planning Committee meeting last week when consent was granted for 75 new properties on the site at the end of Moor Lane. This will dramatically increase the amount of traffic in the centre of the village, including heavy vehicles during the construction period. Heavy vehicles coming from the Celkom site at Acaster Malbis, Murphys vehicles from the railway compound, and vehicles from Collier plant hire are already causing problems to the road surface at Acaster crossroads, Station Road and Manor Heath, and a proper Traffic Management Plan is needed to determine a suitable route for such large vehicles. Cllr Steward will ask Alastair Briggs, Traffic Network Manager at CYC, to assist.

1. APOLOGIES

Councillor Oliver Kneen

2. CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLOR

Having previously expressed an interest in putting herself forward for co-option to the Parish Council, Mrs Amanda Horsman was present to observe.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST and DISPENSATIONS

Councillor Auton declared an Interest in Item 8d.

4. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on TUESDAY 12th SEPTEMBER 2023**, 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.

5. **NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE**

The monthly report shows one theft of a motorcycle, one theft of a vehicle (later recovered by Humberside police) three incidents at the Co-op, one theft of a parcel left on a doorstep, and one assault on a cyclist in the underpass by two males with baseball bats.

6. **ACTION REVIEW**

Notes from the meeting with Miller Homes have not yet been circulated. Clerk
The Clerk will order a wreath for the Remembrance Day service. However Clerk
we are informed by CYC that the police are no longer able to support road
closures for such events, and that an application for road a temporary road
closure must be accompanied by a formal traffic management plan. Cllr Whitfield
has today asked Josh Sharp, who has helped in the past with such arrangements
in respect of the Christmas Grotto, if he could help with this and, if so, at what
cost.

7. **PUBLIC CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL IN COPMANTHORPE**

There are increasing numbers of youths drinking on the field at the Recreation Centre and leaving behind empty cans and bottles. The field is not covered by the Licence held by the Social Club. Similar activity has been noted outside the shops. In the absence, nowadays, of the Alcohol Exclusion Zone, it was AGREED Cllr
that we should ask the police to step up patrols in these areas. Smith

8. **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

a) **Planning**

The monthly Report has been circulated.

167 objections have so far been received to the proposed development on the Copmanthorpe Motors site, and the date for comments has been extended to 27th October.

No decision has yet been received on the application at the Old School Medical Centre.

b) **Roads and Footpaths**

The circle of land by the bus stop close to Smithson Court has been tidied up by a group of volunteers. The Clerk will write to thank those concerned.

Horseman Drive is becoming a rat run, and the condition of the road surface is deteriorating badly. Cllr Steward has reported this to CYC Highways.

c) Finance

A Meeting to discuss grant applications received will be held on Tuesday, 5th December at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall.

Cllr Kramm will update the budget spreadsheet.

Cllr
Kramm

d) Allotments and Green Spaces

An informal inspection of the allotments has been carried out.

A quote of £300 has been received for work to the large horse chestnut tree in the burial ground. AGREED. The Clerk pointed out that the other large tree is also in need of work, and this will be inspected by the contractor, Branches Out.

Clerk

Cllr
Auton

9. COPMANTHORPE WARD

The planning application for 75 houses on land at the top of Moor Lane has been approved.

The construction of an additional three holes at Pike Hills Golf Club has been approved, with many conditions to protect Askham Bog. The work will necessitate large numbers of vehicle movements from the A1037 (ring road).

A decision on "Blue Badge" disabled parking in York will be taken later this week, and transport for pupils to Tadcaster Grammar School will be discussed next month. A decision on charges for green waste bins will be taken early next year.

Because of severe disruption to bus timetables being experienced due to the ongoing roadworks on Tadcaster Road, changes to the number 13 bus route through Copmanthorpe have been introduced.

10. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Suggested dates for a meeting with CYC to finalise the changes before putting the Plan forward to the Inspector are awaited.

11. YORKFIELD LANE and TADCASTER ROAD SITE

Miller Homes are to hold a public meeting on Tuesday, 17th October, from 4.00 – 7.00 pm, to show their proposals for the Tadcaster Road site. An update on these, for Parish Councillors, will be held from 3.15 pm.

12. PROPOSED CLOSURE OF BECKETTS CROSSING

Cllr Smith had attended (remotely), and made a statement on behalf of the Parish Council, to the opening day of the Public Inquiry into the diversion of the footpath which may be necessary to facilitate the new footbridge over the railway, following closure of the crossing. In their opening submission, Network Rail offered only two options – a stepped footbridge, or a diversion via the railway bridge.

13. EVENTS

The Christmas event will take place on 2nd December in the downstairs room of the Methodist Church. Traffic management and road closures will be necessary. Cllr Whitfield PROPOSED a budget of £2,000 to cover the event. SECONDED by Cllr West. ALL IN FAVOUR.

The Christmas lights will be turned on on Memorial Green.

The purchase of a customised, commercial grade gazebo, at a cost of £1,866.64 plus VAT, was PROPOSED. ALL IN FAVOUR.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

15. ACCOUNTS**Balances at the Bank**

Business Current Account	£	32,981.31
Business Money Manager Account		47,398.64
	£	80,379.95

Credits to the Account this Month

Second half of Precept is received	£	18,535.00
Re: James Edward Muldoon		250.00
Re: Kenneth Joseph Deane		75.00
Re: Jennifer Douglas		30.00
	£	18,890.00

Accounts to be Paid this Month

Noticeboards Online	£	3,109.68
David Whiteman – flower beds		101.59
Business Stream – allotments		63.91
P D Greenwell – salary		474.40
HMRC – PAYE		226.60
	£	3,976.18

Bank charges for month to 24 August 2023 - £21.25

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

16. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Photographic competition.
Committee membership.

17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday, 14th November 2023, 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 either 24th or 31st October, depending upon applications received

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

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

Signed

Date