



#### 4. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

The monthly report had been circulated. No serious issues had been reported. The Clerk had invited the police to attend this evening, but no-one was available. However in their response to the invitation the police had addressed the issues raised by the Clerk, and this information had been circulated to members.

#### 5. ACTION REVIEW

Nothing which does not appear elsewhere on the agenda.

#### 6. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

##### a) Planning

The monthly Report had been circulated.

##### b) Roads and Footpaths

A considerable number of comments/complaints from residents have been noted in respect of the increasing numbers of large vehicles coming through the village since the weight restriction on the bridge at Appleton Road, Bishopthorpe, was put in place. There are particular concerns about the number of Celkom vehicles now coming through Copmanthorpe from Acaster Airfield. Earlier today, the Parish Council was made aware of an arrangement which Celkom has come to with Appleton Roebuck and Acaster Selby Parish Councils whereby their vehicles will not travel through those villages during school drop-off and pick-up times. We believe that these vehicles will of necessity come through Copmanthorpe, thus making a bad situation even worse. It was AGREED that we would write to the Traffic Commissioner and CYC's Executive Member for Economy and Transport to seek some intervention to protect the safety and amenity of our residents and prevent further damage to our highway infrastructure.

Cllr  
Kramm

A public meeting will be held in the Methodist Church Hall tomorrow evening, from 5.30pm, as part of the consultation on the Local Transport Plan. The Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan, which is part of this consultation, will cover Yorkfield Lane.

It is noted that Murphy's vehicles, from the railway compound, are parking on the footpath outside the Royal Oak when drivers are visiting Little Acorns. The Clerk will ask that they use the car park.

Clerk

**c) Finance**

The minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Committee held last Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> December, had been circulated. It should be noted that Cllr Smith had sent his apologies.

All recommendations for grants to village organisations were RATIFIED, and a grant of £4,000 to the Scout Group was AGREED, following clarification on the arrangement they have with the children's nursery for the use of the Scouts premises. The grants policy and application form should make it clear that grant monies cannot be used for the benefit of commercial organisations when they are using premises/services provided by a grant applicant.

It was AGREED that organisations in receipt of grant aid should be required to report back to the Parish Council on the use of these monies in time for the Annual Parish Meeting in March of the following year.

Full details of grant applications will be circulated to Committee members prior to the December Finance Meeting.

**d) Allotments and Green Spaces**

Councillor Kneen reported back on a webinar he had attended last month on Local Nature Recovery. Data on wildlife and nature in North Yorkshire is being collected in order to better plan for its conservation.

**7. COPMANTHORPE WARD**

A meeting to encourage residents to take part in the Local Transport Plan consultation will be held on Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> December at 5.30 pm in the Methodist Church Hall. Our concerns over the increased number of Celkom vehicles will be raised at this meeting.

The consultation into transport to school for pupils attending Tadcaster Grammar School is ongoing.

**8. AIR POLLUTION MONITOR**

More information is needed in order to ensure that the correct type of monitor is purchased and that it is sited in the best location. Noise pollution, from larger vehicles, is also a problem. Defer to next meeting.

Cllrs  
Kramm/  
West

**9. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

No progress has been made.

**10. YORKFIELD LANE and TADCASTER ROAD SITE**

Cllr Smith will report back next month.

**11. PROPOSED CLOSURE OF BECKETTS CROSSING**

Network Rail have withdrawn the application made under the Transport and Works Act 1992. The Parish Council will meet with representatives of Network Rail on Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> December at 3.30 pm in the Howell Hall, to hear their proposals to enable all members of the public to safely cross the railway once the existing crossing has been closed.

**12. EVENTS**

The Christmas event had been very well received and more children had attended than in previous years. The event had cost less to stage than had been anticipated. There will be an opportunity next year to improve the layout in the Hall.

Plans for the D-Day 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary commemoration next year will be discussed by the Events Group early next year, and the piper has already been booked for the event.

**13. CORRESPONDENCE**

A number of residents have commented on the increasing number of large HGVs coming through the village following the weight limit imposed on the bridge on Appleton Road, Bishopthorpe.

**14. ACCOUNTS****Balances at the Bank**

Business Current Account	£	21,712.91
Business Money Manager Account		47,627.22
	£	69,340.13

**Credits to the Account this Month**

Interest on Business Money Manager a/c	£	228.58
Allotments		50.00
	£	278.00

**Accounts to be Paid this Month**

Branches Out – burial ground and footpath	£	800.00
Wetherby Steel Band – Xmas Grotto		450.00
Graham Auton – Xmas Grotto expenses		445.12
Peter Whitfield – Xmas Grotto expenses		188.43
CPRE – subscription		60.00
Yorkshire Water – burial ground		19.78
P D Greenwell – salary		509.60
Petty Cash		60.00
	£	2,532.13

Bank charges for month to 24 October 2023 - £16.00

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

**15. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

HGVs coming through Copmanthorpe  
Photographic competition

**16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

A Meeting of the Finance Committee will be held on Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2024 at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall.

The next meeting of the full Parish Council will be held on Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall. This will be preceded by a Meeting of the Planning Committee at 7.00 pm.

An Interim Meeting of the Planning Committee will precede the Finance Committee meeting on Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> January, if required.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.20 pm.

Signed ..... Date .....