



Approval has been given for a "Community Speedwatch" sign on Manor Heath.

The fence at the front of Howell Hall is to be painted, and the trees pruned.

## 6. CORRESPONDENCE

Cllr Mrs Taylor has been informed by Mr Andy Northfield that he may not personally be available to set up the Christmas Grotto this year. If he has to ask someone else to do it, there will be a cost of £400. Cllr Mrs Taylor therefore PROPOSED that this sum be put in the budget for this year's Christmas event. SECONDED by Cllr Wilkinson. ALL IN FAVOUR.

A letter is received from a resident of Whistler's Close complaining about the extremely muddy condition of Yorkfield Lane adjacent to her property. The Clerk has raised this with Miller Homes who have been working in that area as part of their Tadcaster Road development.

## 7. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

### a) Planning

The Monthly Report has been circulated.

It is noted that there have been 8 objections to the proposed works at 11 Church Street. The Parish Council has objected very strongly to this proposal.

### b) Finance and Risk Assessment

The updated Budget Forecast had been circulated.

It was AGREED that the Clerk would seek three quotes for our grass cutting contract for the coming year.

Clerk

The Copmanthorpe Volunteers to be reimbursed for the cost of the leaf blower.

Clerk

### c) Environment

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2026 had been circulated.

A variety of matters had been discussed: the allotments, bulb planting, wildflower meadows, hedge planting at Yorkfield Lane and tree maintenance. It is noted that some Public Rights of Way around the village are missing from the Definitive Map.

The number and size of potholes is an ongoing problem.

The Committee will meet again on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2026.

## 8. TREES

No further development on our application for TPOs as detailed last month.

The Clerk has met with an arboriculturalist at the burial ground. He has quoted a fee of £450 for a full survey of the trees there. This quote was ACCEPTED, and the Clerk will instruct him to carry out this work.

Clerk

**9. VEHICLE ACTIVATED SPEED SIGNS**

Quotes for these have now been received from CYC. For two signs, one each on Temple Lane and Manor Heath, with speed indicator and "smiley face", the cost will be £10,600 plus VAT. Cllr Kramm PROPOSED that this quote be accepted. SECONDED by Cllr Wilcock. ALL IN FAVOUR.

Cllr  
Auton

**10. COPMANTHORPE WARD**

Nothing to add to what has been covered earlier.

**11. COPMANTHORPE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Cllr Auton had met with the Head Teacher.  
A school library is being established, and the School is trying to find a use for the swimming pool building.

The Head is keen for the children to help with bulb and wildflower seed planting. Some pumpkins will be planted on one of the spare allotments, and given to the children for carving in the autumn.

The traffic problems in the vicinity of the School were discussed and it was acknowledged that the School Transport Policy is old, and due for renewal.

**12. TADCASTER ROAD SITE**

Cllr Auton continues to write to CYC in an attempt to get improvements to the condition of Tadcaster Road which has resulted from the building works on this site. To support our case, Cllr West will ask for a letter from the York Bus Forum to press CYC Highways to make good the reported defects.

Cllrs  
Auton/  
West

**13. MOOR LANE SITE**

Cllrs Auton, West and the Clerk are meeting with Barratts later this week. There is much to discuss in relation to the condition of Moor Lane and the damage being caused to both the road and the footpath.

Cllrs  
Auton/West  
and the Clerk

**14. VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT**

Former members of the Neighbourhood Plan Group, Martin Pickard, Derek Bowen and Peter Whitfield, are awaiting some maps from CYC. They would welcome any assistance from members of the Parish Council and Cllrs Kramm, Smith, Steward and Wilkinson volunteered to join this new group.

**15. ACCOUNTS****Balances at the Bank**

Business Current Account	£	16,516.64
Business Money Manager Account		41,286.63
	£	57,803.27

**Credits to the Account this Month** £ 00.00

**Accounts to be Paid this Month**

Branches Out - trees on Memorial Green	£	700.00
Defib4Life – annual service and supplies		300.00
YLCA – PROW training		27.40
Megan Taylor – expenses		62.48
P D Greenwell – expenses		16.99
P D Greenwell – salary		513.76
	£	1,620.63

**Bank charges for month to 24 December 2025 - £13.00**

The adoption of these Accounts was PROPOSED by Cllr West.  
SECONDED by Cllr Auton. ALL IN FAVOUR.

**16. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

Photographic archive  
May Day event  
Old School Medical Practice

**17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Meeting will take place on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2026, at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall. This will be preceded by a Meeting of the Planning Committee at 7.00 pm.

The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> March 2026, at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall.

An interim Meeting of the Planning Committee will take place on Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026, at 7.30 pm in the Howell Hall.

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

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