

A MEETING OF COPMANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL was held on TUESDAY, 12th JULY 2022 in the HOWELL HALL, SCHOOL LANE, COPMANTHORPE at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR ROBERT WEST Chairman
COUNCILLOR GRAHAM AUTON
COUNCILLOR DAVID CARR
COUNCILLOR TIM JARRETT
COUNCILLOR LARS KRAMM
COUNCILLOR DAVID SMITH
COUNCILLOR MRS MEGAN TAYLOR
COUNCILLOR PETER WHITFIELD

Mrs P Diane Greenwell Clerk
PCSO Caroline Jenkins North Yorkshire Police
One member of the public

Before the business of the Meeting began, PCSO Caroline Jenkins, who had been invited to attend this evening, outlined what powers the police have in relation to travellers. In fact, the powers to deal with travellers rest largely with the local council which, in the case of Copmanthorpe, is City of York Council. CYC can give them a 14 day warning to leave any land they are occupying. The police try to visit any such site 3 or 4 times a day to check on travellers' behaviour, and keep records of who is there.

Over the past 30 days in Copmanthorpe there has been one theft from a garden, one hate crime and one incidence of driving whilst over the limit.

Members noted that anti-social behaviour and speeding vehicles are recurring problems. PCSO Jenkins spoke of her good relationship with Askham Bryan College, and there does seem to be a reduction in anti-social behaviour and speeding by students, both in Copmanthorpe and other local villages.

PCSO Jenkins intimated that the police would support the Parish Council if it were to purchase and install Vehicle Activated Speed signage. The Council would also like to extend the Community Speedwatch scheme to the Tadcaster Road approach to the village, and this would require the support of the police.

A recent request from a resident for a reduction in the speed limit at the top of Manor Heath would be supported by the police, provided that they can get sufficient evidence of need.

Members thanked the PCSO for her attendance this evening.

Mr Keith Tyreman reported that the "No Through Road" sign has been installed at the entrance to Sawyers Crescent. It is noted that the public footpath between Sawyers Crescent and the railway line is very overgrown, and the Clerk will ask the Copmanthorpe Volunteers to cut this back.

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr Tim Duffy

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST and DISPENSATIONS

Cllr Whitfield declared an Interest in Item 12.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on Tuesday, 14th June 2022,
having been previously circulated were PROPOSED by Cllr Kramm
as a true and correct record of that Meeting. SECONDED by Cllr Smith.
ALL IN FAVOUR.

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING held on Tuesday,
28th June 2022, having been previously circulated were PROPOSED by
Cllr Kramm as a true and correct record of that Meeting. SECONDED by Cllr
Whitfield. **ALL IN FAVOUR.**

4. NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

See preceding page.

5. CLERK'S REPORT

Nothing which is not mentioned elsewhere.

6. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

a) Planning

The monthly report has been circulated.

The application for 158 dwellings on land at Tadcaster Road was approved by
CYC Planning Committee yesterday, at a meeting which was attended via Zoom by
Cllr Kramm. The density will be 40 houses per hectare, and one of the conditions is
that there must be a cycling and walking route to the centre of the village. There is
much more to be considered under Reserved Matters.

b) Roads and Footpaths

A request has been received from a resident for double yellow lines at the junction of
Merchant Way and Top Lane. It was AGREED that parked vehicles there are

hazardous, and that a request for double yellow lines will be put forward. There is a similar situation at the junction of Horseman Lane with Hallcroft Lane and Top Lane. Both of these locations are on the bus route, and parked vehicles are making it very difficult for bus drivers to safely negotiate these junctions.

A complaint has been received about the lack of grass verge cutting on Moor Lane beyond the burial ground towards the railway line. This long grass is obscuring signage and making it difficult for vehicles coming from opposite directions to pass. This lane is narrow, and now very busy with contractors' vehicles going to the railway compound. The Clerk will urge CYC to cut back this growth.

Clerk

The serious potholes on Manor Heath have been reported to CYC, but to no avail.

Cllr Jarrett has circulated further information about anti dog fouling signage. It was AGREED that suitable signs, up to a value of £1,000, be purchased.

c) Finance

No report.

d) Allotments and Green Spaces

The inspection of allotments has taken place. There is now only one person on the waiting list. It was noted that there are a lot of brambles and dead wood in the hedge along the side of the allotment site (the road leading to the pumping station).

7. COPMANTHORPE WARD

Various items are covered elsewhere in these minutes. Nothing further to report.

8. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The required changes to the documents have been made and are awaiting checking. Mr Derek Bowen has tendered his resignation as Chairman of the Neighbourhood Plan Group and the Parish Council wishes to record its gratitude for all his help and guidance.

9. ELECTRIC SCOOTERS

No report at this time.

10. COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH

Four speeding drivers have been caught in the past three months. It is believed that drivers do slow down when they see the volunteers, but they then speed up again. It was AGREED that the Clerk should investigate the purchase of at least one Vehicle Activated Speed Sign.

Clerk

11. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

12. BURIAL GROUND

Cllr Whitfield will remove the gates and arrange for them to be painted.

Cllrs
Whitfield/
Duffy

Cllrs Whitfield and Duffy will paint the sextant's hut

The Clerk is still awaiting a reply from the owners of the land to the rear of the burial ground, in respect of a possible extension.

Clerk

13. CARNIVAL

Leaflets about the Parish Council's plans for Yorkfield Lane, and also about how to report anti-social behaviour, were given out. It was felt that we could make more of this opportunity to tell visitors what we do, and it was AGREED that we should set up a Working Party to consider, early next year, how we might improve our stall.

14. GARDEN COMPETITION

There are four gardens and three allotments in the competition, which will be judged next Monday evening, 18th July.

15. AUDIT 2021-22

The Annual Internal Audit Report, and the Internal Auditor's Report to Members, have been received and comments noted. These documents will be considered by the Finance Committee at its next meeting.

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The documents specified in the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 28th June have been published on the Parish Council website.

16. ACCOUNTS**Balances at the Bank**

Business Current Account	£	48,140.96
Business Money Manager Account		21,985.02
	£	70,125.98

Credits to the Account this Month

HMRC – VAT refund	£	559.90
Allotments		77.00
Re: Christopher Peter Jackson		30.00
Interest on Business Money Manager a/c		2.74
	£	669.64

Accounts to be Paid this Month

Brighter Gardens and Landscapes	£	1,547.50
Yorkshire Internal Audit Services		350.00
JSS Audio – Jubilee picnic		240.00
Cartridge ink		131.82
McAfee – computer security		99.99
P D Greenwell – salary		439.20
	£	2,808.51

Bank charges for month to 24 May 2022 - £28.00

The adoption of these Accounts was PROPOSED by Cllr Jarrett. SECONDED by Cllr Smith. ALL IN FAVOUR.

17. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Parish Council Vacancies

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday, 9th August 2022 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 be held on Tuesday, 23rd August
2022

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 10.00 pm.

Signed Date