

A response on behalf of the Governors of Askham Bryan College has now been received. They are meeting next week, and it is hoped that our suggestions for projects in the village which will benefit both Copmanthorpe and the students can be progressed.

6. ACTION REVIEW

A response to the Clerk's letter has been received from the School Governors. Plans for the swimming pool building are currently confidential.

Quotes are being sought to attach one of the old village name signs to the external wall of the Howell Hall. Cllr
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The owner of the shopping centre car park does not believe that there is any likelihood that City of York Council will adopt the car park.

Initial enquiries have been made about the possible purchase of additional land at the burial ground. Clerk

7. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

a) Planning

The monthly report has been circulated.

A discussion took place about the presence of recycling boxes left on the footpath outside 8 Church Street, and it was AGREED that the Clerk will write to the occupiers and the developer to request that these be removed. Clerk

b) Roads and Footpaths

Repairs to Main Street have commenced, and some smaller potholes in other areas of the village have been filled.

Cllrs Carr and Whitfield had attended a presentation by Network Rail, whose proposals for the closure of Copmanthorpe Crossing are the subject of a consultation with residents. Only two options have been put forward (a footbridge at Becketts Crossing or a footbridge attached to the railway bridge at Temple Lane) whilst other suggestions, such as a footbridge at the Recreation Centre, have been rejected. Residents are urged to request that these are re-considered. Cllr Carr will write to Julian Sturdy, MP to seek his support. Cllr
Carr

c) Finance

The latest budget sheet will be circulated. Cllr
Duffy

8. GRANT APPLICATION

The Friends of Copmanthorpe School have submitted an application for a grant of £1,000 to set up a sensory garden in the school grounds. The Clerk will ask for more details before a decision is made.

Clerk

9. YORKFIELD LANE

Following the publication of an article in the Newsletter outlining our plans for the Lane, the establishment of the Friends of Yorkfield Lane group is progressing.

10. TREE PLANTING

City of York Council are now content that our public liability insurance is adequate. Proposals for the first phase of this project include one replacement and one additional tree in Coopers Drive, and one tree on the verge in Flaxman Croft between Coopers Drive and Drapers Croft. Also, some trees on Tadcaster Road in the vicinity of Smithson Court. These will help to improve the micro-climate in the village.

11. COPMANTHORPE WARD

Proposed works on the Tadcaster Road corridor, which aim to provide wider bus lanes and more cycle track, will include work to try to eliminate the pinch point at cemetery corner (near London Bridge service station). The total cost will be approx. £5 million.

Ward grants are progressing. There has been no further progress on the Local Plan.

A joint meeting with Askham Bryan and Askham Richard Parish Councils has taken place with Mr Robbie Rennie, the Residential Services Manager at Askham Bryan College, and it is hoped that this may lead to help with a number of village projects.

12. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

We are still awaiting the same information from City of York Council.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

The Vicar of St Giles, the Rev. Geoff Mumford, and the Clerk have had some discussions about replacing the two notice boards in the church yard. These were bought as a pair some years ago and are now both in a poor state of repair. Replacement of these wooden boards with two made from more sustainable

materials is suggested, and the Clerk will liaise with the Rev. Mumford to progress this.

Clerk

There has been some interest in supporting the efforts of both Churches in the village to help with the resettlement in York of refugees from Afghanistan, work with which City of York Council is also actively involved.

14. COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH

Training will take place this Thursday, 16th September, and possibly also next Saturday.

15. ALLOTMENTS

The postponed inspection did not take place, and a new date will be agreed.

16. VILLAGE EVENTS

The Christmas Event will take place on 4th December, between 5.15 pm and 7.30 pm. The format will be very similar to that used in 2019, with a town crier, stalls and refreshments. The budget for the event is £2,500.

The street recycling day earlier this month had gone well, but more publicity would have been helpful. It is PROPOSED to hold a second similar event in May.

17. ACCOUNTS

Balances at the Bank

Community Account	£	42,944.66
Business Money Manager Account		21,980.61
	£	64,925.27
Credits to the Account this Month		
Re: Ian Cartwright	£	50.00
Re: Ronald Stanley Coulson		75.00
Re: Charles Robinson		75.00
	£	200.00

Accounts to be Paid this Month

Brighter Gardens and Landscapes	£	795.00
Yorkshire Local Councils Associations		45.00
Graham Auton - printing		25.18
Yorkshire Water – burial ground		22.28
Petty Cash		60.00
P D Greenwell – salary		789.20
	£	1,736.66

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

18. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Burial ground

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Meeting will take place on Tuesday, 12th October 2021 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 Tuesday, 26th October 2021 at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.35 pm.

Signed Date