

**MINUTES OF RUFFORTH WITH KNAPTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 2 JUNE 2014 IN RUFFORTH VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30pm**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillor T Haward (TH) Chair	Councillor Mrs A Powell (AP)
Councillor K Clarke (KC)	Councillor Mrs H Butterworth (HB)
Councillor R Syms (RS)	Councillor P Leadley-Yoward (PLY)

IN ATTENDANCE: 2 members of the public, Ward Councillor Chris Steward (CS) and Mrs S Warden (Clerk)

101 APOLOGIES ACCEPTED: Councillor C Valentine (CV)

102 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

103 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

AP proposed the minutes of 12 May 2014, RS seconded this proposal and the minutes were agreed and signed as a true record.

104 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANS:

David Carr, Copmanthorpe Parish Councillor, talked about how Copmanthorpe is in the process of completing a Neighbourhood Plan. Under the 2011 Localism Act parish councils have the opportunity to make a Neighbourhood Plan (NP), which has statutory force when Local Authorities are considering Planning Applications.

Copmanthorpe started their NP about 18 months ago in response to the CYC Draft Local Plan which put an extra 600 houses in Copmanthorpe.

They started by consulting with the community, they then submitted proposals to CYC, then had to consult with the community on these proposals. Once the NP has been drafted it goes to the Planning Authority where it is scrutinised by an independent examiner.

Copmanthorpe's NP has looked at the role and protection of the Green Belt, Heritage and Design Guidance, Community facilities and the provision of new dwellings and business space. The amount of new housing has to be sustainable in the village.

There were 600 responses to the initial consultation which is an excellent response rate. There were 600 responses to a housing survey put out to the community. Most villagers would accept between a 100 and 130 houses. They hope the draft document will go out to the village for consultation in July and hope to have the plan complete by February/March 2015.

The cost will be in the region of £15,000, £5000 coming from a grant. The NP has been driven by the Local Plan proposals.

TH thanked David Carr.

Neighbourhood Plans is to go on the next agenda.

105 WARD COUNCILLOR COMMENTS:

The Local Plan further sites consultation starts on 4th June for 6 weeks.

Dial a Ride: this is principally for older people who don't need to be somewhere at a particular time. It will take people to various shopping centres and pick up and drop off at people's homes by request. To Dial a Ride ring 551441.

106 CLERK'S REPORT:

- The Clerk will email Jon Pickles again and copy to CS regarding traffic calming measures outstanding in Rufforth.

- The Clerk will email again regarding the shrubs on the B1224/A1237 and report the missing cobbles from the edge and the pieces of car remaining on the roundabout.
- The Clerk will wait to see if there is a reply from CYC regarding her complaint about lack of response to S106 queries.
- It was agreed that should the Co-op bank interest be similar to that being offered by HSBC (0.05%) then 10,000 would be put with HSBC. This was proposed by TH, seconded by PLY and agreed
- The pot-holes on Southfield Lane had been done.

107 PLANNING:

14/01032/FUL for the erection of an agricultural building had not been objected to by the parish council.

Yorwaste: At the last liaison meeting Steve Grieve (MD Yorwaste) had advised the parish council that waste wood would be going to Scotland so the biomass incinerator application was being dropped, this in turn meant that they didn't need an area for waste wood storage and so composting could be done on the current site and there was no longer the need for the new compost pads by the B1224.

MTS and recycling would now be 60/70m further away from the road and so there would not be a need for the bunds by the road. It would appear that a new S106 is to be imposed on Yorwaste ensuring there is no further development on site. Yorwaste will however ask for an extension on landfill for another 10 years to fill the middle and divert the Foss.

108 FINANCE:

The Clerk produced a monthly financial report, a copy of which is in the minute file. It was not complete due to having all the books with the Internal Auditor.

Invoices for payment: It was agreed to pay the following: £54 to the Clerk for the Website that was paid directly to Fasthosts from her credit card, £192.00 to D Bush for grass cutting, and £288 to Dean Landscaped Limited for 2 cuts to Knapton Recreational Field.

Receipts: Bank interest and £927 Natural Burial fees.

Bank Balances - £21,918.87

Funds available - £2387.33

**108A THE CITY OF YORK LOACL PLAN FURTHER SITES CONSULTATION
APRIL 2014:**

The projected number of additional housing has been added to this document.

This is a 6 week consultation and only the further sites can be commented on.

It was suggested that rather than the proposed solar farm on Green Belt it was put within the Harewood Whin site.

Julian Sturdy was holding 2 meetings on 7th June, one in Poppleton and the other in Askham Bryan on the Local Plan.

Anyone can and should respond to this consultation via email, letter or by using the consultation form.

This is to go on the next agenda.

109 VACANCY RUFFORTH WARD:

Lena Pasquill has taken up this role. The Clerk will bring the correct papers to the next meeting.

110 KNAPTON RECREATIONAL FIELD:

Mitie had been in contact with the clerk and were going to do a free cut to see how much they should quote and get back to the clerk. Mitie do the grass cutting o sports fields and school playing fields for CYC. Meanwhile the clerk will look for more quotes.

111 A DEFIBRILLATOR FOR RUFFORTH:

Opinions on having one in the village will be asked for in the newsletter that is to come out shortly.

112 REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS:

Residents' Forum/Team Meetings: The Copmanthorpe NP had been the main topic discussed. Meetings will be the 4th Monday of every other month.

YLCA : Next meeting – 5 June with a talk on Fracking

Rufforth Pond: No CV present

CV and RS attended Julian Sturdy's meeting with parish councils. It was made clear that at present there was no legally defined Green Belt. Importantly "Safeguarded Land" means land safeguarded for development. Brownfield Sites within CYC are being reserved for housing not for employment. Julian was given thanks for his hard work on behalf of the parish council by RS and CV.

Crisis Management: No CV present

Yorwaste: CCTV at the entrance to Harewood Whin has been pulled out of the planning application and will be installed by the end of June.

During the Grand Depart lorries will be coming through Rufforth as the A59 is closed.

The Cycle path has been put back another 4 to 6 weeks. An opening event could happen in September and Lord Mayor Ian Gillies will be asked to be there, CS will ask him to name a date.

Archiving: no CV present

113 CORRESPONDENCE:

This was noted

114 COMMUNICATIONS:

Taxis for healthcare will be put into the newsletter.

TH will put an update on the Local Plan onto the website.

115 CONSULTATION ON THE DRAFT CODE FOR PARISH COUNCILS WITH A TURNOVER NOT EXCEEDING £25,000:

It was agreed that the Clerk respond as per NALC/YLCA advice

116 MINOR MATTERS AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXR AGENDA:

AP had attended "Community Conversation" at which James Alexander was present.

The Clerk will contact Michelle Watling as the traffic calming gates need painting and the grass cutting around them.

CYC grass cutting had not been as good because of the rain and so many bank holidays.

117 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be on Monday 7 July 2014 in Rufforth Village Hall at 7.30pm.

TH thanked all those for attending and closed the meeting at 9.30 pm.

118 PUBLIC COMMENTS:

It was noted that solar panels were not too obtrusive. A white van parked outside the old shop was obscuring vehicles entering the village as cars turned right out of Bradley Lane. A hedge cut is need around Algarth, the clerk would look into it.

_____ Chairman _____ Date

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