



Manston Parish Council

Date: January 2018

To: Members of Manston Parish Council

You are hereby summoned to attend the Meeting of the Parish Council. The meeting will be held at the RAF Manston History Museum, on Monday 8th January 7.00pm for the purpose of transacting the business mentioned below.

AGENDA

<u>Item No</u>	<u>Subject</u>
089/17-18	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
090/17-18	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST To register any new interests or de-registration by Members.
091/17-18	MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11th December 2017
092/17-18	FINANCIAL MATTERS a) To note and resolve to agree receipts and payments as listed. Two Cllrs to sign cheques. b) Budget approval
093/17-18	Chairman's Report
094/17-18	PLANNING a) To note Planning Applications
095/17-18	HIGHWAYS To receive any appropriate updates from the Highways Representative. a) To note any issues regarding the Rights of Way
096 /17-18	MANSTON PARK To receive any appropriate updates from the Manston Park Representative.
097/17-18	Portland
098/17-18	INDIVIDUAL COMMITTEE REPORTS To receive updates for the following Committees and responsible bodies. a) County Councillor b) District Councillor c) Community Warden d) Airport Consultative Committee e) Parish Council Forum f) TRRG

- g) Newsletter
- h) Clerk

099/17-18 Public questions/agenda items

0100/17-18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING
12th February 2018, 7:00pm at RAF Manston History Museum



Manston Parish Council

Chairman: Mrs Linda Samme

Clerk: Miss Ashley Jackson

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11th December 2017 at 19.00pm At RAF Manston History Museum, Manston

Present **Parish Councillors** Cllr Samme, (Chair), John Dearing, vice chair, Roy Matthews, Robin Tritton, Vic Champs, Irene Dolan

In Attendance – Ashley Jackson (Clerk/RFO), Cllr Crow-Brown, plus 5 members of the public.

078/17-18 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
Cllr Roger Gale, Cllr Guy Wilson & Tony Gander

079/17-18 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
The Declarations of Interest Form was passed around for those in attendance to sign. No declarations were made.

080/17-18 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**
It was proposed by Cllr Champs seconded by Cllr Dearing and resolved to accept the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13th November 2017. These were signed by Cllr Samme as a true record.

081/17-18 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**
a) Members resolved to approve the Schedule of Payments which was proposed by Cllr Samme Seconded by Cllr Matthews. All in favour. Cheques signed as appropriate.

082/17-18 **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**
Cllr Samme advised that Cllr Owen from Minster PC will now be updating the parish council website. Unfortunately he was unable to attend this evening due to ill health. There are currently issues with the website provider which is being investigated - Rex Goodban advised this is an issue currently affecting all the parish councils. The dog area is getting treacherous, due to the weather Cllrs agreed to close the dog area if it was thought to be necessary by Cllr Samme. The Christmas tree was lit last week and the event was well attended. The Christmas tree lighting was advertised on the online newsletter and this was available on the website. Cllr Tritton advised that it was missed by a few residents as they had not received notification of the event. Cllr Dearing suggested that notices for specific events could be delivered to villagers – to be considered when events arise.

083/17-18 **PLANNING**
a) A list of all planning applications was circulated prior to the meeting—no further comments.

084/17-18 **HIGHWAYS**

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No issues on Right of Way – Cllr Dearing thanked KCC Highways for replacement of a post at Preston Road and Vincent Rd/Manston road which were replaced within 2 weeks of being reported. Cllr Dearing also thanked James Wraight for meeting with himself and Cllr Dolan. Cllr Dolan advised that the Local Plan to 2031, preferred Option Consultations January 2015 and the proposal for 17,140 dwellings to be built in Thanet with notional delivery between 2016 and 2031. Number of dwellings in Thanet in 2009 were 63,350, 2016 were 66,570 by 2031 83,710 which represents a 25% increase and resulting in, on average, an increase of 20,000 vehicles on the roads. Thanet has the highest density of population in Kent after Dartford/Gravesham (Source: Strategic Business Development & Intelligence, KCC). Cllr Dolan referred to the proposal to build 1,450 dwellings on sites which will encompass Flete Road. These are sites S511, S553 and S447. Cllr Dolan gave an overview of the meeting which she and Cllr Dearing had with James Wraight. James explained that the proposed housing development at sites in Birchington, Westgate and on Manston Airport would result in road improvements/enhancements to Nash Road, Shottendane Road and a new link road from Haine Road (Toby Carvery) to the intersection between Spitfire Way and Columbus Avenue and these should alleviate the problems experienced in Flete Road. However, the New Link Road is still subject to approval to turn Manston Airport into a housing development and the building of Westwood Retail Park in 2006 resulted in an increase of over 100% in accidents at junction of Flete Road and Manston Road. The road improvement will affect traffic direction from North to South of Thanet and vice versa. James explained that a reduction of speed limit would have to be enforceable and this is not possible because there are not enough street lights in Flete Road. The permanent closure of Flete Road is an option. 2 principal criteria's have to be met for the closure: Land required for a turning head for lorries (refuse collection), and community support. James contacted the developer at Westwood who have, in principle, agreed to use surplus traffic calming finance for Flete Road and this after funding for the footpath scheme in Manston Court Road. Rex Goodban asked where the money will be coming from for these suggestions – Cllr Dolan confirmed it was coming from the developers. He advised for example that the St Gregory's school roads will cost £3m. KCC have confirmed that they will get the funding. Cllr Samme advised the piece of land which is suggested was not in the previous local plan. Cllr Dearing advised that the bus services are being cut across other parishes and although it does not directly affect Manston at the moment we need to keep an eye on this.

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MANSTON PARK

Cllr Dearing asked if Cllr Matthews was available to have a look at the trees which need cutting back in the morning 12/12/17.

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INDIVIDUAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Cllr Crow-Brown advised he had been contacted by a resident from Preston Park regarding lack of speed limit signage. Cllr Dearing checked and confirmed signage was in place. With respect to the front of the Leys, he had investigated if EKH had received any complaints of people using that path and they hadn't. Cllr Tritton advised it is private property and shouldn't be used as a footpath. The area used to be gated and fenced. Cllr Champs stated that he didn't think it was fair that you should have to walk in the road. Cllr Samme advised that if the new development takes place opposite, then they will put a footpath in. Cllr Dearing advised that it must be written down that the developer will pay for the footpath. To check with James Wraight.

Portland – Cllr Dolan left the meeting due to a conflict of interest. Cllr Crow-Brown advised he had spoken to planning manager who was unable to give an update. TDC lost a high court battle and the planning inspectorate issued a destruction order within 2 years. The case was thrown out as the claimant advised that he was terminally ill. Item to be placed on agenda for discussion in January. Cllr Crow-Brown suggested that the PC write to the planning inspectorate.

Cllr Crow-Brown dealt with an enquiry from Manston Court Road regarding rubbish on the highway and advised a sweeper was sent. He attended a focus group which was attended by approx. 40 people and a number of items regarding Thanet were discussed. Cllr Crow-Brown gave an update on the financial situation at TDC and how government cuts are affecting the council and the proposed restructure. He advised that the housing team has received nominations for 2 awards at national awards.

Clerk gave an update on the proposed budget for 2018/19. Cllr Samme asked if anyone had any suggestions, but we have identified a zip wire, shelter and possible adult equipment purchase. Cllr Samme has also asked Serco to tidy up the planters, Cllr Tritton asked if the gardening club would be

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interested in looking after? They previously asked for £40 a year, and members agreed this wasn't unreasonable. Cllr Tritton advised he will take it to the January meeting.

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QUESTIONS

Rex Goodban advised that when TDC advised previously said they would withdraw their grant there was an investigation and DCLG confirmed they couldn't. Clerk to speak to Minster PC and KALC to see if they are challenging the decision and to ask for further advice.

Resident asked who runs the Manston Village Hall and is it a charity? It has never been owned by the council. Resident confirmed that it is run by a board of trustees.

Resident asked when the road sweepers come to Manston – To be reported by Cllr Crow-Brown.

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DATE/TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 8th January 2018 at 7:00pm in the RAF Manston History Museum.

The meeting closed at approximately 20.20 hrs.

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