



Manston Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13th March 2017 at 19.00pm at RAF Manston History Museum, Manston

- Present** **Parish Councillors** Linda Samme (Chairman), Roy Matthews, Vic Champs, Robin Tritton
 In Attendance - Ashley Stacey (Clerk/RFO) Plus 20 members of the public.
 TDC Cllr Crow-Brown, KCC Cllr Latchford & Cllr Brimm
- Cllr Champs opened the meeting and welcomed everybody in attendance.
- 116/16-17** **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
 Cllr Gregory, Cllr Dearing,
- 117/16-17** **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
 The Declarations of Interest Form was passed around for those in attendance to sign. No declarations were made.
- 118/16-17** **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**
 It was proposed by Cllr Matthews seconded by Cllr Tritton and resolved to accept the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13th February 2017. These were signed by the Cllr Champs as a true record.
- 119/16-17** **FINANCIAL MATTERS**
 a) Members resolved to approve the Schedule of Payments which was proposed by Cllr Matthews and seconded by Cllr Tritton, All in favour. Cheques signed as appropriate.
- 120/16-17** **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**
 New gates have been fitted, although ground is still bad. It will be reseeded this week. Complaints regarding the dog area being shut are not from Manston residents. Complaint from Preston Road regarding a driveway being blocked. There is not a drop kerb there. Cllr Samme has written to TDC. Cllr Champs confirmed that the right of way at Preston Park is now open.
- 121/16-17** **PLANNING**
 a) A list of all planning applications was circulated prior to the meeting – No further comments.
- 122/16-17** **HIGHWAYS**
 Preston Road x 2 street lights out.
- 123/16-17** **MANSTON PARK**
 Cllr Tritton advised that the dog area will be reseeded, and the area will be closed following this..
- 124/16-17** **INDIVIDUAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 Cllr Latchford introduced Cllr Brimm who is standing for election for KCC. He advised he will be standing down. Cllr Latchford advised that he has enjoyed working with Manston PC, Cllr Champs thanked Cllr Latchford for all his help and support and wished him a happy retirement. Cllr Latchford also thanked Cllr Dearing for his letter of thanks.

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Cllr Crow-Brown advised that he had attended the Thames Gateway meeting in London, and confirmed that Thanet got a lot of mentions. Thanet has been advised as a centre of excellence. He will keep us updated. He advised that fly tipping is being targeted by TDC currently.

Cllr Samme arrived following a late appointment.

Local Plan Consultation – MPC will object to the revision of the Local Plan.

Resident from Shottendane Road – Advised the stats used in the plan were out of date. 4.9 more densely populated than the national average. He advised that TDC advised that farmland – is not protected. Road widening scheme will be paid for by the developer, once the houses have been built. Thanet will become a concrete and brick island. Resident advised GP's and NHS services are already stretched. He understands that Thanet is growing, however the seaside is the asset and it will be jammed up. Traffic issues are already bad. No one has considered the impact on the existing road issues. Water drainage is also an issue, flooding is a real issue. He advised that he did not get the information through which advised of the changes. He also confirmed that there a lot of elderly people who do not get the information.

TDC website is also an issue – it isn't good enough.

Resident commented that new water supply is also an issue. Electricity is a problem, power cuts are already frequent. Plan does not identify how the hospital is going to be expanded, or how the infrastructure is going to be completed to service the houses.

Chair advised that the 700 homes at Manston Road is too much for the area too.

Empty Homes should be looked at to achieve the numbers, Chair confirmed there aren't the jobs for the residents.

Chair advised that all the information any further update will be on line on the newsletter.

Thanet Parkway Consultation - MPC do not agree with the Parkway. It is not needed. Another station is not needed in the area. It was originally to built to support the airport and until that is sorted the tax payers money should not be wasted. The money does not cover the crossings etc.

125/16-17

QUESTIONS

Cllr Tritton advised that the fence round Taft is a danger. Clerk to contact Paul Valek.

No Portland update as yet.

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DATE/TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting would be held on 10th April 2017 at 7:00pm in the RAF Manston History Museum.

The meeting closed at approximately 20.17 hrs.

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