



## *Manston Parish Council*

**Date: 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

**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 Manston Village Hall, on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 7.00pm for the purpose of transacting the business mentioned below.

### **AGENDA**

<u>Item No</u>	<u>Subject</u>
<b>89/21-22</b>	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>
<b>90/21-22</b>	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST &amp; CO-OPTION OF NEW MEMBERS</b> To register any new interests or de-registration by Members, and co-opt any new members.
<b>91/21-22</b>	<b>MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING for approval (Appendix A)</b> To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2021.
<b>92/21-22</b>	<b>FINANCIAL MATTERS for approval (Appendix B)</b> a) To note and resolve to agree receipts and payments as listed. Two Cllrs to sign cheques. b) To note the cash book circulated. c) To approve budget 2022/23 and precept request.
<b>93/21-22</b>	<b>Chairman's Report to note</b>
<b>94/21-22</b>	<b>PLANNING to note (Appendix C)</b> a) To note planning applications
<b>95/21-22</b>	<b>HIGHWAYS to note</b> a) To note any issues regarding the Rights of Way b) Flete Road update on land purchase c) To receive any appropriate updates from the Highways representative.
<b>96/21-22</b>	<b>MANSTON PARK to note</b> a. To review park check.
<b>97/21-22</b>	<b>INDIVIDUAL COUNCILLOR REPORTS to note</b> To receive updates from a) County Councillor b) District Councillor c) PCSO d) Community Warden e) Clerk
<b>98/21-22</b>	<b>Platinum Jubilee Celebrations</b>
<b>99/21-22</b>	<b>PUBLIC QUESTIONS/ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA</b>
<b>100/21-22</b>	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING (TBC) 2022 at 7:00pm at Manston Village Hall</b>

## ***Manston Parish Council***

Chairman: Cllr John Dearing

Clerk: Miss Ashley Jackson

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### **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2021 at 7pm At Manston Village Hall, Manston**

**Present**            **Parish Councillors**    Cllrs John Dearing, Chairman, Roy Matthews, Robin Tritton, Guy Wilson.

**In Attendance** – Ashley Jackson (Clerk/RFO), KCC Cllr Crow-Brown, Cllr Reece Pugh, Cllr Abi Smith, 3 residents

**77/21-22**            **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**  
None

**78/21-22**            **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & CO-OPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**  
The Declarations of Interest Form was passed around for those in attendance to sign. No declarations were made.

**79/21-22**            **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**  
It was proposed by Cllr Dearing to accept the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021. Seconded by Cllr Matthews. These were signed by Cllr Dearing as a true record.

**80/21-22**            **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- a) Members resolved to approve the Schedule of Payments which was proposed by Cllr Matthews, seconded by Cllr Wilson, all in favour. Signed as appropriate by Cllr Wilson and Cllr Dearing.
- b) The Cllrs acknowledged receipt of the cash book which the clerk had circulated showing income and expenses to date.

**81/21-22**            **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**  
At the last meeting, a resident reported a damaged street lamp in Spratling Street. The light is situated in Spratling street, opposite Spratling Lane. A tree had blown over and smashed the light fitting but had left the mounting pole intact. I reported the damage to the KCC lighting repair team via Luke Mockridge but I have no information on when they will affect a repair. Resident confirmed that it had been completed.

On 22nd of November I received I response from Gavin Waite to my email complaining about the booking system at the dump. I had pointed out that I visited the dump on a day that was fully booked, I hadn't booked and there were only 3 cars at the tip. When I left 15 minutes later, there were no vehicles remaining. I said the system wasn't fit for purpose and that is why we're getting a large increase in fly-tipping. I had included photographs of the empty tip and of a number of cases of fly tipping in the parish.

Gavin responded that TDC had dealt with 33 fly-tipping reports in Manston this year equating to about 1% of the complaints they receive. He said that they had resolved 31 of the complaints and that they had increased their proactive patrols around Manston and are having an increased contact with landowners to facilitate a faster turnaround on land not under their, TDC's, control. They are also pursuing a prosecution on a fly tipper who had previously dumped tyres in Manston and had

seized the person's vehicle and had it destroyed as part of the investigation. He insisted, at the next event, Manston will be the focus of the joint action day. He said that they are also in daily contact with the police rural team and increasing their joint activities via Op assist.

He didn't say if my comments during the previous conference call had spurred this new activity. And he made no reference to my comments about the booking system or my observation that the dump was virtually empty on a day that it had been fully booked.

During the last conference call, on the 23rd November, I also raised other concerns about the way the dump is run. This time I raised the dubious money-making scheme of charging for certain types of waste at the local dump. Gavin Waite accepted that this was false economy as the council still had to deal with these items when the chargeable waste was dumped, again, in fly-tipping sessions. He admitted that they were looking at the problems associated with charging at the tip. Cllr Pugh and Cllr Crow-Brown confirmed that the tip was under the control of KCC not TDC therefore Gavin Waite has no control. Cllr Crow -Brown confirmed that booking on the day system will come in soon. Resident confirmed that he had cleared a couple of areas which had fly tipping on. They had not waited for TDC to clear.

**Defibrillators.** After noting, on a local media site, that there is supposedly a record of defibrillators in the Thanet area, I checked the two that we have in the parish, at the Drome Garage and the Jolly Farmer. Our Clerk, Ashley, has confirmed that the batteries were replaced in both devices in 2018. But no maintenance has been carried out since. I know that these machines are supposed to be simple to use but no one at the garage or the Jolly Farmer were confident of using them. The owner of the Jolly Farmer Dan Brearley has offered to put his premises at our disposal for training courses on using the defibrillators. He is keen that his staff are familiar with the equipment and, I imagine, so are the proprietors of the Drome Garage. However, existing covid precautions are putting very restrictive conditions on on-site courses. We will look into arranging a course in the new year.

#### **Manston Testing Station**

On the 5th December, I had an email from a resident living in Manston village who complained that drivers using the postcode from the Manston Testing Station website were being directed into a cul-de-sac in the village. This was a reoccurrence of what happened at the beginning of this year. I went onto the Manston Testing Station website and suggested that the postcode was changed to the correct one and then emailed Paul Valek and asked if he could help. He passed on my request to the appropriate department.

PLEASE NOTE, the wrong postcode that sends people into the Manston Village cul de sac is CT12 5BQ. The CORRECT postcode is: CT12 5BL

**82/21-22**

#### **PLANNING**

The planning list was circulated to members.

Comments were made on the Grenham Lodge application – access of the main road and this is also on a bend, the site is not suitable for development, there are too many properties for the small site. There will also be a loss of hedgerows. There was also a discussion regarding the issue with affordable housing and the fact that they are not offering any on site. Objections from residents and councillors included the fact Southern water, GP surgeries and the infrastructure cannot cope at the moment. Councillor Dearing proposed that the parish council objected to the access and exit arrangements. The vote was carried and the secretary will send objections to the TDC planning committee. Cllr Wilson stated he was against affordable housing.

83/21-22

**HIGHWAYS**

- a) To note any issues regarding Rights of Way – nothing to update
- b) Flete road update –
- c) Update from Highways - Chairman

David Steed, a parish resident, has raised the possibility of having the speed limit, of the stretch of the B2050 from Manston Village to the roundabout on Haine Rd, lowered to 40mph. He presents a strong case, highlighting the number of accidents on that stretch of road.

I had previously said that, as I was retiring from the council next year, I didn't want to start any new projects although I was prepared to offer limited support if someone else ran the process. David had contacted David Hart, of TDC, who directed David to approach Derek Crow-Brown and it has now landed back in my lap.

The 1<sup>st</sup> stage is to get a traffic count taken on the relevant road section. David Steed has generously offered to pay for that part. I want to know what the councillors think of the scheme and I want a vote on whether to support the project.

Can I have a vote regarding dropping the speed limit, and undertaking a survey – All in favour.

The next part is that we have to present a HIPs, Highways Improvement Plan to Highways. I've asked Ashley if she would do it but she said it involved quite a lot of work and she didn't have the capacity at the moment, and she suggested that I ask one of the councillors to take on the job. Cllr Crow-Brown will find out if a consultant can produce one for us? Resident (Hazel) confirmed that a pedestrian crossing is planned within the new development.

84/21-22

**MANSTON PARK**

Dog exercise is locked to public and will remain so until Spring. Hedge next to house in car park is quite big and people dump rubbish, Cllr Matthews will look at the area to see if there is anything we can do – latch needs replacing on gate – Cllr Matthews and Cllr Dearing will have a look at it.

85/21-22

**INDIVIDUAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Cllr Crow-Brown – Site meeting on TR22 – Cllr CB did not attend due to having Covid but he has been advised Network Power will be adding signs etc 12<sup>th</sup> January 2022. Armed Forces Champion for KCC – he has had contact with the families at the barracks who have lived on the site for years – they are insisting on moving them to Margate. News tonight states that they are using the barracks as a reception centre for migrants.

Cllr Reece Pugh confirmed that he is aware of a development called Humber Mill, Nash Road development - 1600 homes potentially.

Cllr Pugh confirmed that the Asylum seeker processes centre at the barracks – they will only be staying there for 24-48 hours and will enter and leave by secure transport. He will keep us updated. Local Plan update now proposing 21,700 will be going to consultation. He confirmed that there are approx. 100 completions a year, and the pace of delivery is as it is for demand.

Cllr Abi Smith -Nothing to add re Humber Mill, since coming into post receives 2/3 emails a day regarding development and how the residents are treated by the developers, cannot be approving new applications until infrastructure is there. Needs to find places for 500 saplings – if the parish has need for any? Cllr Dearing confirmed that we could put some in the park.

TRRG - Cllr Tritton asked if we wanted to continue with the Speedwatch scheme – Cllrs confirmed they did not think that it was worthwhile.

86/21-22

**Platinum Jubilee Celebration 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2022**

Boxes of mugs to be ordered – asked Cllr Tritton what the costs of the food would be £10 a head.

**87/21-22**

**PUBLIC QUESTIONS/ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

Rex confirmed that the Defrib has gone missing from the Sports Club – it was refurbished but it has not been replaced. Cllr Dearing advised this needs to be taken up with the Sports Club. Pot hole has been filled in – and the broken man hole cover has been fixed today. Valley Road hedge, can now be cut as it is December – Derek Crow-Brown will chase up KCC.

Resident asked who owns the solar park and why the trees have been cut down – Clerk advised them to contact the tree officer at TDC.

**88/21-22**

**DATE/TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held at 7:00pm 10<sup>th</sup> January in the Village Hall at Manston.

The meeting closed at approximately 8.26 pm.

**MANSTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS**  
**Closing Financial Statement, Ashley Jackson, Clerk.**

<b>DATE PREPARED 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022</b>				
<b>Bank Balance as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021</b>				<b>£</b>
<b>Cheques out</b>				
Date	Cheque Number		Details	
	2021		Miss Jackson - wages	332.80
	2022		Miss Jackson - Expenses	80.59
	2023		HMRC	249.60
	2024		Cllr J Dearing	46.00
	2025		Cllr R Matthews	40.00
	2026		Cllr J Dearing – ink	44.99
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>793.98</b>
<b>Payments in</b>				
Date	Details			

**Payments checked by** ..... *Date*

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*(2 Cllrs who are non-signatories need to sign Schedule of Payments for payment once satisfied with goods or services have been received, invoice additions OK, VAT OK and bona fide supplier).*

## Planning List – 10.1.22

Ref & Location	Description	MPC Action & Outcome
F/TH/20/0590 Land South West Of Waste Processing Plant (District Park), Manston Road, North, Manston	Erection of 4 no. 2 storey light industrial/general industrial (use class B1, 278 sqm and B2, 16,459 Sqm) commercial buildings with associated external storage (use Class B8, 185 sqm) with access, parking and landscaping.	