



## *Manston Parish Council*

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Clerk: Miss Ashley Jackson

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### **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2018 at 19.00pm At RAF Manston History Museum, Manston**

- Present**      **Parish Councillors** Cllr Samme, (Chair), John Dearing, vice chair, Roy Matthews, Vic Champs, Irene Dolan, Guy Wilson
- In Attendance** – Ashley Jackson (Clerk/RFO), District Cllr Pugh, Cllr Derek Crow-Brown  
Plus 4 members of the public.
- 100/17-18**      **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**  
Cllr Roger Gale & Cllr Dawson
- 101/17-18**      **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**  
The Declarations of Interest Form was passed around for those in attendance to sign. No declarations were made.
- 1021/17-18**      **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**  
It was proposed by Cllr Dearing seconded by Cllr Matthews and resolved to accept the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018. These were signed by Cllr Champs & Cllr Dearing as a true record.
- 103/17-18**      **FINANCIAL MATTERS**  
a) Members resolved to approve the Schedule of Payments which was proposed by Cllr Matthews  
Seconded by Cllr Samme,
- 104/17-18**      **CHAIRMANS REPORT**  
Cllr Samme advised that the dog area is still shut and no complaints have been received. Cllr Matthews will prepare the ground to reseed, and Cllr Samme will decide when it is appropriate to reopen the area. Cllr Samme confirmed that she had received a number of complaints from residents who were not happy with the way that Cllr Crow-Brown and Cllr Grove voted for the local plan, against the wishes of the Manston residents. Cllr Crown Brown advised that as portfolio holder of corporate governance he had to take on board the legal advice he was given. There is already a call for more sites, to replace the 2,500 homes which were allocated on Manston.  
Cllr Wilson confirmed that local Cllrs do bear the brunt of residents and he applauded Cllr Crow-Brown for his responses, and the way he deals with enquiries.  
There is still a tree to be cut down and fence by the Leys still to be put up, Cllr Dearing confirmed that Climagate will be undertaking the work in February.  
Play equipment suppliers are meeting Cllr Samme and Cllr Dearing soon to look at various schemes on the playground – also ARCK have asked to put up a Pop-up café and Cllr Samme will meet soon to arrange location.
- 105/17-18**      **PLANNING**

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- a) A list of all planning applications was circulated prior to the meeting—no further comments.

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**HIGHWAYS**

Cllr Dearing confirmed that he had reported on the KCC "Fault Reporting " website, that fault PROW 661751, which relates to this issue, and has the "Status" ..."Inspected-long term Obstruction/Alignment issue" and dated 18th July 2017. He has emailed KCC but not yet had a response. On another outstanding "issue" with TR22, the associated fault is PROW 49966, the status against that issue is "updated 7 Jun 2017". We have not heard about that one either. Cllr Dearing advised Cllr Crow- Brown has had an enquiry from a resident re footpath on Manston Court Road, James Wraight confirmed the work should start this year but as yet there is no update from KCC. The money is still available and the farmer is still happy for the footpath to go in we are simply waiting on KCC.

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**MANSTON PARK**

Park update – Mrs Chandler confirmed the park is ok, there are several dips which need filling in, and they could be dangerous. It is wear and tear, by the see saw. Top soil could be put down and some seeds when Cllr Matthew is re-seeding the dog area.

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**W1 Beacon Lighting**

Cllr Samme confirmed she will not be able to undertake the task, Cllr Dolan offered with help from Cllr Matthews and Cllr Champs. Clerk to register interest.

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**Portland** – Cllr Samme confirmed that following a letter to the clerk, that the planning inspectorate do not get involved once the decision has been made. Cllr Crow Brown confirmed that planning will be employing new planning enforcement officers who can pursue Portland.

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**Flete Road** – Cllr Dolan confirmed the letters to the residents will be sent out this week – which ask residents if they want the permanent closure of Flete Road.

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**INDIVIDUAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Cllr Crow-Brown confirmed the TDC budget has been voted through with £2.8 million funding gap, he confirmed that staff are being cuts as result of lack of resources. Fly tipping at back of Haine Road, has been reported to TDC, and Cllr Crow-Brown confirmed Highland Glades has reported a foul smell, to be followed up by environmental. Rats have been reported at the flats at the Leys – to send details to Cllr Crow-Brown. He also confirmed that the Mcarthys depot by Vincent Farm Road has been reported regarding debris on the road, it has been reported to Paul Valek. He also confirmed TDC car parks in Minster will remain free of charge.

Cllr Champs asked about the Parkway station – Cllr Crow-Brown confirmed it has been delayed by 2 years. Estimated start 2022.

Cllr Pugh was welcomed to the parish council – he confirmed that conservatives voted for the budget too. He confirmed that there is budget cuts across the authority. He confirmed they voted against the local plan and that it wasn't sound. He didn't agree with the numbers proposed. He has been advised that there are a number of travellers in the area at the moment. Cllr Dolan asked what is the next step of the local plan – Cllr Crow-Brown advised that the decision lays with central government. Cllr Champs asked who is funding the airport to sit empty and who is receiving the money?– Cllr Pugh confirmed it is central government, and Stonehill Park are receiving the funding.

Community Warden – Tony Gander reported that he now covers Acol, Cliffsend Minster, Margate task force for Ramsgate and Broadstairs, and trading standards. He has reported pot holes and removal notice on car on Preston Road, and it has been removed. Fly tipping, oil drums, tyres etc which has all been reported – cold callers are in the area. Flower pots have been stolen from neighbouring villages, He has also come across 71 illegal plants being grown. Speedwatch volunteers are still needed, and they will be active in the village. Speed monitoring box is still due to come to Manston. He confirmed there is a cycle project currently underway in the village. Reflectors are available upon request.

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**QUESTIONS**

Resident asked if there was to be a brewery in Manston – no one has heard this.

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**DATE/TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7:00pm in the RAF Manston History Museum.

The meeting closed at approximately 20.10 hrs.

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