



Manston Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11TH June 2018 at 19.00pm At RAF Manston History Museum, Manston

Present **Parish Councillors** Cllrs Samme, (Chair), John Dearing (Chair), Vic Champs, Irene Dolan,

In Attendance – Ashley Jackson (Clerk/RFO) District Cllr Crow-Brown, District Cllr Reece Pugh, Community Warden Tony Gander, Kent County Cllr Emma Dawson, 5 members of the public.

Cllr Dearing & Cllr Samme read their joint declaration of acceptance of Chair to Manston PC.

25/18-19 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
Roger Gale MP, Cllr Matthews

26/18-19 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
The Declarations of Interest Form was passed around for those in attendance to sign. No declarations were made.

27/18-19 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**
It was proposed by Cllr Champs and resolved to accept the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14th May 2018. Seconded by Cllr Dolan. These were signed by Cllr Samme as a true record.

28/18-19 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**
a) Members resolved to approve the Schedule of Payments which was proposed by Cllr Samme Seconded by Cllr Dearing, chqs signed as appropriate by Cllr Samme & Cllr Dearing.
b) Clerk asked if the tax account could be reviewed_– Cllr Samme Proposed, Cllr Dearing seconded all in favour. Clerk to contact accountant.

29/18-19 **CHAIRMANS REPORT**

1. Cllr Samme confirmed the dog area is now open. Cllr Samme has advised many residents that TDC do not pay for the upkeep, although the users of the dog area have offered to pay, it is not possible to collect this. An email complaint has been received from Mr Peachey about the trees down Spratling Street, being overgrown and damaging his car. Cllr Samme advised they cannot cut them down until the birds have nested. He has also reported tree which is dead, in Spratling Street. Cllr Samme confirmed that the bushes will be cut down in the autumn and Cllr Dearing will look at the tree. There was a complaint received regarding fly tipping on the bridleway by Whitebeams, resident confirmed he has put the top soil as an infill to the bottom of his fence, and the other rubbish is not his. Resident confirmed he will keep an eye out for anymore fly tipping.
2. Pop up café has been again in the village in the park and quite a few people attended. Firemen also came and gave advice on smoke alarms, and they will fit alarms for free if needed. Pop up café will be there again tomorrow (12th June).

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Cllr Samme is still chasing TDC for the bin which has been removed from the park. They have denied taking it, but it was seen removed by council employees. TDC responded that MPC could sponsor a new one!

30/18-19 **PLANNING**

- a) There has not been a list of planning applications this month.
- b) Cllr Samme confirmed the new sites which have been added to the Local Plan following the call for sites. Manston Green additional 20 units, Preston Road Manston Village 150 units, Fuel Depot Spitfire Way 20 units, The Leys unspecified, Fleet road 13 units, Manston Court Road 751 units.
- c) Cllr Champs has been looking into the piece of land opposite the spitfire museum and established the owner. Cllr Samme has confirmed the site is now clear. Cllr Crow-Brown advised that the foot path next to the site is too small and it is a planning issue.

31/18-19 **HIGHWAYS**

Cllr Dearing confirmed the footpath on Manston Court Road – is being dealt with the only hold up is the legal matters.
Flete road – Cllr Dearing has spoken to KCC and they want to put traffic counters on Flete Road and Manston Road to look at the possibility of closing the road. Cllr Dearing has sent an email agreeing to multiple counters and the costs. Public footpath through Preston Park remains blocked by animal pen, the details have been sent to the PROW who have already warned the owner that if the work is not carried out they will do the work and send the owners the bill. The options are to move the pen to clear the footpath, install a stile, or apply a footpath diversion. There has been no progress by PROW dealing with Manston Court Caravan Park where two mobile homes continue to block the footpath.

32/18-19 **MANSTON PARK**

Hazel was not present however she has phoned Cllr Samme regarding the amount of litter in the park. It looked clear today so assuming she picked it all up. Weeds are bad around the sleepers and need removing. Cllr Dearing will have a look, and will also speak to Cllr Matthews regarding the tree which needs removing.

33/18-19 **WW1 Beacon**

There is no update on the bugle player for the Beacon – Cllr Matthews has not had chance to speak to the resident in the village who may be able to help. Cllr Crow-Brown may be able to help if this person is not available.

34/18-19 **INDIVIDUAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

County Cllr Emma Dawson – grass cutting confirmed the cutting has been delayed (3 weeks) and it has started now in Ramsgate. Pothole repairs are better than anywhere else in Kent, a good contractor is working on them. Bus consultation is to be held at Margate FC – she will confirm the date, and they are looking to hold events locally. She is working with TDC to fund the litter signs with a KCC grant across the district. Cllr Samme confirmed we didn't need any signs but would like the bin back.

District Cllr Crow-Brown – sewage replacement at Manston – we thanked Amanda Berry at TDC for getting the job done. McCarthy's yard – there is sand on the road, although when the weather is bad they are sweeping the road, KCC have been informed to keep a watch on the site. Travellers have been at Hengist way – there are so many entry points it's hard to keep them off. Parking complaints have been received regarding parking across Thanet on yellow lines, and there is now a 2-shift rota. Anti-skid painting is being put on the roundabout at the Prospect Inn, Minster.

District Cllr Reece Pugh confirmed the has been speaking to planning regarding the application at WWX, the cycle path around it is not practical due to the sheep in the surrounding fields. That was the only objection. Local Plan will be at full council on 26th July. Cllr Pugh confirmed that the houses proposed in the new local plan will not necessarily be immediately be built out. Cllr Pugh advised that he had helped a resident who had been put into emergency housing in Medway move back into a Thanet.

Cllr Champs asked why Stone Hill Park are being paid for operation stack and receiving £6m of tax payers money. Cllr Pugh confirmed he has no control over this. He confirmed that the proposed Parkway railway station is being funded by money from Europe (£17m).

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Tony Gander confirmed that nitrous oxide has been found in the park – it has been reported and signs are up to say they the signs to say the areas are being monitored. He confirmed he now covers Sarre & St Nicholas. He has been in Manston for the past few weeks because of the travellers. They have moved however have left rubbish. Roofing repairs, driveways and jet washes are being offered in the villages. Tony will be meeting with Paul Valek soon to discuss the issues Hengist Way, he is suggesting using landing tyres of a Boeing to act as a deterrent which could be planted up.

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QUESTIONS

Rex asked about GP provision in the village. He has tried to register at several surgeries but has been unsuccessful. Roger Gale advised to write to him so he can take it further. Clerk to write. Tony Gander confirmed TDC have an app, My Thanet App, which will allow you to report issues. He also confirmed the travellers have tried the padlocks that secure the height restriction bar at Manston Park car park.

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DATE/TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council and Annual Meeting will be held 16^h July 2018 at 7:00pm in the RAF Manston History Museum.

The meeting closed at approximately 20.04 hrs.

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Date