



Manston Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 14 July 2014 at 7.00pm at RAF Manston History Museum, Manston

Present **Parish Councillors** Jenny Fletcher (Chairman) [JF], Linda Samme (Vice Chairman) [LS], William Bell [WB]

In Attendance Sara Archer (Clerk/Responsible Finance Officer) [SA], County Councillor Roger Latchford, District Cllr Linda Wright

Plus 5 members of the public.

Cllr Fletcher opened the meeting and welcomed everybody in attendance. Members of the public were asked if they wished to make any representations. No issues were raised.

2923/14 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
Sir Roger Gale, Cllr J Dearing, Cllr C Holmes, Cllr V Champs

2924/14 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
The Declarations of Interest Form was passed around for those in attendance to sign. No declarations were made.

2925/14 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**
It was proposed by Cllr Bell, seconded by Cllr Samme, and resolved to accept the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 9th June 2014. These were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

2926/14 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**
a) Members resolved to approve the Schedule of Payments which was proposed by Cllr Bell and seconded by Cllr Samme. Cheques signed as appropriate.
Cllr Fletcher reported that the payment had been received from the Solar Farm installation and therefore proposed that the Parish Council awarded a maximum sum of £5000 to the Church towards the installation of a toilet. It was resolved to agree that the Church would be requested to obtain the relevant permissions and plans prior to March 2015, Rex and Ann Goodban would advise them of this.

2927/14 **PLANNING**
a) A list of all planning applications was circulated prior to the meeting.
Cllr Bell confirmed a site visit to Manston Grange had taken place with District Cllr Grove, the application had been called in and there was no further update.

2928/14 **WAR MEMORIAL**
Cllr Holmes was not present therefore there was no update available with regard to the grant funding for works to the war memorial.

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Cllr Fletcher advised that she had been approached by members of the public concerned about the advertisements which had been placed on the fencing of the memorial. The KCC signs had since been removed and the Church signs relocated, however, the nursery were asked to remove their banners direct. After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council would fund a finger sign for the nursery. The Clerk would make arrangements for the finger to be included on the new post.

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HIGHWAYS

Cllr Dearing was not present at the meeting and there were no issues to report.

Cllr Bell advised that an interactive sign had recently been installed on Manston Road and thanked Cllr Latchford for his assistance with the project. A publicity photo would be arranged in due course.

a) Hazel Chandler reported that the footpaths remained overgrown. Cllr Dearing had approached David Steed to cut the path beside his property and a letter had been written to each household to remind them of their responsibility to keep the footpath TR31 clear. It was noted that TR23 had now been re-opened by the Solar Farm. The footpath beside the Hoverspeed Club had been reported to KCC for attention.

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MANSTON PARK

Cllr Samme reported that she had been verbally insulted by a member of the public who was exercising her dogs inappropriately at the Park. Cllr Fletcher would make enquiries with regard to the registration of the person with the Kennel Club and ask them to take action if necessary.

Cllr Fletcher would obtain quotes to resurface the car park and install solar security lighting.

The Clerk confirmed that Wicksteed would be carrying out a ROSPA inspection at the Park on 15th July, any issues would be reported as appropriate.

Concern was raised with regard to the trees alongside The Leys, the Tree Warden had been notified. A working party would be put together to address the maintenance of the trees.

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INDIVIDUAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) County Cllr Roger Latchford confirmed that he would consider match funding towards a second interactive speed sign to be installed at Manston Road.

He reported that a meeting had recently taken place between the Leader of TDC and Ann Gloag the owner of Manston Airport. Although TDC could not afford to apply a Compulsory Purchase Order on the Airport alone, if backed by a private investor, it remained a possibility. Riveroak investors remained interested in purchasing the Airport and potentially would back the provision of the CPO.

A public meeting was being held on 19th July at the Marlowe Academy.

b) District Cllr Linda Wright had nothing further to report.

c) The Community Warden was not present and no report had been submitted.

d) Airport Consultative Committee – Cllr Bell confirmed that the KIACC meeting was held on 8th July. Bristows Helicopters remained interested in relocating to Manston. Another meeting had been arranged in September at Minster.

e) Parish Council Forum – No meeting held. Thanet Area Committee were meeting on 17th July 14.

f) TRRG – next meeting to be held in two weeks.

g) Newsletter – Nothing specific to report however any photos would be appreciated.

h) Clerks – The report had been circulated prior to the meeting. The Clerk would make enquiries with regard to the provision of a defibrillator for the Village.

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DATE/TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting would be held on 15th September 2014 at 7:00pm in the RAF Manston History Museum.

The meeting closed at approximately 20.10hrs.

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