

# MANSTON NEWS

A monthly newsletter brought to you by the Parish Council

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Welcome to the October issue of the News to all members of the parish including Lydden, Woodchurch, Flete and Haine

## Extracts from September Parish Council meeting:

Overgrowth at the back of the Leys has been cut back and behind no 13, between The Leys office and garage .and the fence will be replaced. The padlock on the park barrier that was lost has been replaced and a new padlock placed on the height barrier. . Climagate will be completing the work on the war memorial railings before Remembrance day. (weather permitting) A dictaphone has been purchased to enable clerk to accurately record minutes.

Planning has been agreed for Manston Grange, Preston Road, RAMSGATE, Kent Variation of condition 1 attached to planning permission F/TH/16/0686 to allow for no more than 16 pupils attending the school until 31st January 2018 Increase of 6.

## HIGHWAYS

Cllr Samme and Cllr Dearing met with James Wraight, KCC to talk about Highway issues . The Manston Court Road footpath which Highways are having built is covered by deed of dedication and will remain in ownership of the farmer, however the Deed of Dedication allows it to be used as a footpath. The link path will include a cycle path. The new proposed link road into the new estate, leads at the moment to a cul de sac before further development Developers will only pay for the part of the road which goes through development. . Cllr Crow- Brown confirmed that the planning manager has advised that developers must meet all road costs etc or the planning permission will not be granted. Issues at Fleet Road (residents have asked for traffic calming due to 60 mph speed limit) are still under discussion as KCC need to agree with farmers who own land. A couple of residents Vincent/Manston Road have asked for a mirror, these residents also contacted Roger Gale regarding this and it has been taken out of the PC's hands.

## MANSTON PARK

It was confirmed that the park is neat and tidy, apart from the car park which needs a tidy up. Lots of litter was removed. Cllr Tritton advised that Cllr Mathews was verbally abused by a fellow dog walker. Cllr Crow-Brown advised that the dog warden has also been involved. Cllr Samme advised that she has also seen the lady in question who spends the whole afternoon in there. The dog walkers have advised that they are intimidated by her dogs.

**INDIVIDUAL COMMITTEE REPORTS** Kent County Cllr Ken Gregory advised that he has been in talks with adult social services with a view to introducing procedures to reduce bed blocking. £300m will be invested in social care services. Carers will be paid at least minimum wage and also an apprenticeship scheme will begin. KCC are applying to central government to be a beacon council. KCC are setting up a select committee to look at councils in depth- what they do how they operate, parish councils, town councils etc. He advised the whole of Kent needs to look at a new approach.

District Cllr Crow-Brown- advised he has spoken to Planning regarding Portland and he will remain vigilant. He asked if anyone sees any changes regarding the site to let him know. A 215 notice has been served to the site opposite the spitfire museum, to deal with the issues of rubbish. He attended a talk by the police commissioner who advised that the police resources are suffering. Although burglary has dropped, organised crimes are increasing. A successful bank holiday weekend has stretched police resources. Margate Task Force has received national acclaim which was set up to deal with issues in Thanet. Cllr Crow Brown advised that he had reports re non reply to emails – contact him if there are any issues. Communications teams are also working really hard.

Tony Gander the Community Warden advised that he cannot always attend meetings as he is out and about in the villages. He will always send information over to Chair. Tony covers Acol, Manston, Cliffsend, Ramsgate Pegwell and Broadstairs. Main issues in the village, speeding and dog fouling. Please contact him if you have issues – 07969584182 Tony advised about – ‘Country eye app’ which is similar to neighbourhood watch – a reporting tool for dumped rubbish which then gets circulated to officers swiftly. It was asked if anything can be done with the lady with the large number of dogs? Tony confirmed he will speak to her if he sees her. TDC only have one dog warden now. He also confirmed that they are trying to get speedwatch up and going again. Cllr Dearing advised that he didn’t think that was effective, Tony advised with the police it had been effective in Manston.

Clerk advised that the Insurance broker has changed hands – AON to BHIB.

Clerk gave an update on the financial situation and asked members to identify projects to spend funds. The new railings will use some of this and the fence by the playing field. An overview of expenses and income to date was also given. Clerk advised on the audit which has been returned with only one issue the support grant was different to what was advised.

Standing Orders adopted 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017, Financial Regulations adopted 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017. Cllr Champs proposed , seconded Cllr Wilson.

**QUESTIONS**

It was asked when is the wall in Preston Road (opp church to be replaced

The chairman will check and advise.

Cllr Tritton asked about Preston Road by DPR roofing, how are the lorries travelling round the corner? He advised that they are taking the edge of the road out. .

Cllr Wilson asked if anyone had an update on Manston airport.

Clerk advised that the financial information needs to go on the website- clerk to send to Rex Goodban

**DATE/TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at 7:00pm in the RAF Manston History Museum.

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**MANSTON GARDEN CLUB**

Meetings for the rest of 2017

3rd November TBA Table: Winter Warmers

1st December Christmas Wreaths

3rd December Village Hall Christmas Fayre TBC (SUNDAY)



PATIENT LIAISON GROUP- OCTOBER 2017

### SEASONAL WINTER 'FLU VACCINATIONS 2017

The second vaccination Clinic will be held at the surgery on Saturday 14th October from 9.00 am and 1.00 pm.

For St Nicholas Patients ONLY: A vaccination clinic will be held on 20th October between 12.00 and 1.00pm in the Village Hall.

Appointments are available and can be made in the usual way via the surgery. Eligible and "at risk" patients will receive a reminder on their "Repeat Prescription List" and will be invited to make an appointment on either of those days.

If you have any concerns about your eligibility or availability of the vaccination, please contact Reception. So please - Don't delay book today!

### OUR NEW PROJECT

To purchase a SECA Electro Cardio Graph (ECG) machine with interpretive software. This machine is the latest in ECG technology. It is PC based with the facility to store the recorded heart traces, analyse heart activity, interlink with patient records, and provide a print out of the results.

The approximate cost of the equipment is £2000.00 + vat and our target is to achieve this by Christmas.

### MISSED APPOINTMENTS

THANK YOU! Another slight improvement, again probably due to the holiday period,

Last Month: 30 PATIENTS DID NOT attend their DOCTOR'S APPOINTMENT!

37 PATIENTS DID NOT attend their NURSE'S APPOINTMENT!

BUT THATS STILL 67 PATIENTS WASTING VALUABLE APPOINTMENTS and TIME!

DON'T NEED IT - CANCEL IT! KEEP FORGETTING - GET TEXT REMINDER SERVICE

### SURGERY CLOSURE DAYS

Please note that the surgery will close from 1.00 pm onwards on the following days:

Wednesday 18th October and Thursday 30th November.

Please ensure that you have sufficient medication to last you during these times, and of course, please don't forget to include all the family who may require repeat prescriptions and check when their medication review appointment is due.

Should you need to see a Doctor when the surgery is closed, please call the "NHS 111 Service" via the normal surgery number 821333 where you will be transferred automatically, or you can call direct on " 111 ", to receive "non urgent" confidential health advice and information for you and your family.

For Urgent/Life threatening cases please dial " 999 " as normal.

### A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!

Our ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR will be held on SATURDAY 18th NOVEMBER.

As this is our most popular event, Tables are highly sought after, and are on sale NOW! So please book early to avoid disappointment, as we only have a few left.

KEN SELF on Thanet 821200 or JEANNE LAWRENCE on Thanet 821049

**WARNING**

**Door to door sellers have been taking advantage of vulnerable elderly people in the Birchington area.**

**It is believed that various elderly people have been victims.**

**They sold a battery smoke alarm, a battery carbon monoxide detector and a 2kg fire extinguisher for £595.**

**They have also been taking advantage of vulnerable people in the caravan parks.**

**PLEASE BE AWARE**



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THE PARISH COUNCIL IS STILL SHORT OF ONE MEMBER. IT IS YOUR PARISH AND PERHAPS YOU MIGHT LIKE A SAY IN WHAT IS GOING ON.

CONTACT THE CLERK FOR DETAILS ON [manstonparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:manstonparishcouncil@gmail.com) or contact another councillor. The details are on the website.

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