

Manston Parish Council
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**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15th May 2023 at 7.15 pm
At Manston Village Hall, Manston**

Present **Parish Councillors** Cllrs John Dearing, Henry Robinson, Ian Amato, Robin Tritton and Roy Matthews

In Attendance — Ashley Jackson (Clerk/RFO), Cllr Linda Wright Cllr Derek Crow-Brown, Cllr Banbridge, Cllr Smith and 5 members of the parish.

12/23-24 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
Cllr Wilson & Cllr Sara Amato

13/23-24 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
The Declarations of Interest Form was passed around for those in attendance to sign. All Cllrs were co-opted onto the Council following an uncontested election.

14/23-24 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**
It was proposed by Cllr Robinson to accept the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 17th April 2023. Seconded by Cllr Matthews. These were signed by Cllr Ian Amato as a true record.

15/23-24 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- a) Members resolved to approve the Schedule of Payments which was proposed by Cllr Ian Amato , seconded by Cllr Robinson all in favour. Signed as appropriate by Cllr Matthews and Cllr Dearing.
- b) The Cllrs acknowledged receipt of the cash book which the clerk had circulated showing income and expenses to date. Clerk explained the cash book and the importance of reviewing it each month.
- c) Cllrs acknowledged receipt of the budget monitoring which had been circulated. Clerk explained how the budget monitoring worked.

16/23-24 **CHAIRMANS REPORT**
No chairman's report this month.

17/23-24 **PLANNING**
No issues on the planning list – Cllr Tritton asked about The Grange? – clerk confirmed that she had not heard of any proposals. Resident advised that the PC's Grenham Lodge application are not on the website – clerk confirmed receipt of the email from TDC confirming receipt and also sent it again.

18/23-24 **HIGHWAYS**

- a) To note any issues regarding Rights of Way- no issues for discussion.
- b) Flete road update – Cllr Dearing advised the land registration is currently with the land registry which will create a delay which is out of our control.
- c) Highway Improvement Plan –. The Parish Council are still keen to have a 20mph speed restriction through the village and are aware that Wingham PC have recently done this. Clerk to email and see what process they followed as KCC will not support it.

Resident asked what had happened to sign on the way into the village – Clerk to email KCC – it has gone rotten and was it as taken away.

Cllr Dearing asked for a speed test to be undertaken through the village – Clerk confirmed that it is within the budget – Resident advised VivaCity surveys are the new surveys and we should ask for that one. Clerk to seek costs and put on agenda for next months meeting.

TR8 is blocked builders rubbish – Cllr Smith has reported it to street scene enforcement.

19/23-24

MANSTON PARK

Park is tidy. Bin is too small – needs a bigger bin? Clerk to find out if we can get a bigger bin. Cllr Matthews regularly picks up rubbish. Grass is long in dog area.

Cllr Dearing asked what about the village green status – Clerk had circulated the information and map. Clerk to put on agenda for June.

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INDIVIDUAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

KCC Cllr Derek Crow-Brown congratulated everyone for a re-election. He advised that he has been chasing KCC about repairing the pot holes, which are due to extreme weather. He spoke to Dr Helen Scott TDC Climate Change Officer about the removal of the trees on the road about at Manston, unfortunately it is a bit late to do anything now. Cllr Amato advised he thinks this is where the new roundabout will go. Cllr CB advised there is not enough parking for the new developments – he advised he will support MPC with issues re the North Thanet link road. He does not want Manston to become a rat run.

KCC Cllr Wright – covers adult social care and public health at KCC. Residents are experiencing care package delays. Budget for social care is far short of what it should be.

TDC Cllr Wright, still doing inductions and has annual meeting this week and will get committees etc this week.

TDC Cllr Abi Smith – thanked for being re-elected. Training and induction also taking place. Change of leadership at TDC. Will raise awareness regarding the impact of house building on villages. Still taking part in stakeholder engagement at Southern Water. Cllr Wright confirmed that TDC will have to consult with SW now when new developments are proposed.

TDC Cllr Banbridge newly elected, passionate about Manston airport re instatement and also do not want unwanted developments. Shadow Minister was down to Manston airfield today. She confirmed that Labour are supportive nationally of the airport reopening.

Clerk – Clerk presented the insurance premium and asked for approval for this years subscription – Cllr Amato approved, seconded Cllr Dearing all in favour. **Unity bank to be discussed at the next meeting.**

21/23-24

Updated scheme of delegations 2023- This has been updated and the reference to Covid removed - Proposed Cllr Ian Amato, Seconded Matthews, all in favour.

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PUBLIC QUESTIONS/ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Rex asked if there was to be a link road to the new development at WWX which was on the previous plan? Cllr Dearing advised that what is wanted is not always what is got. The road will not happen until the road from the farmer is purchased. KCC confirmed that they wanted a road across Manston Court Road, the road to the airport is a pipe dream? Rex advised if the houses are built on the road how can the road be developed? The PC need to keep an eye on detailed planning application coming in.

Resident raised the issue of noise at Jolly Farmer – music was 120 decibels – it can be heard all over the village. TDC Environmental health are aware and have told residents they need to monitor it. Cllr Tritton confirmed it is not only the pub the village hall is loud too. Cllr Banbridge will speak to environmental health and will speak to the owners. Cllr Banbridge asked who should she talk to about the proposed café ? Tom Montgomery is the owner. She thought it was a condition of the development.

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DATE/TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held at 7:15pm 12th June 2023 in the Village Hall @Manston.

The meeting closed at 20.35pm.