

# MANSTON NEWS

A monthly newsletter brought to you by the Parish Council

## SEPTEMBER 2017

Welcome to the September issue of Manston News. You will all have hopefully had a good summer break, and the Parish Councillors are ready to resume work on your behalf.

August has been a quiet month. We have ongoing jobs being done in the park. We have had more enquiries regarding Preston Road and Spratling Street. John Dearing and I have met with Highways regarding these problems along with Flete Road and they are looking into them to see if there is a solution. We have also heard that Highways are trying to solve a solution to the turning out of Vincent Road to Manston Road.

### Extracts from July Parish Council meeting:

The Parish Council met, with 14 members of the public, but unfortunately no Kent County Councillors or Thanet District Councillors attended.

### Green acre gave a presentation on the proposed development 'Westwood Village'

The background behind the development was discussed – the land has been allocated within the new proposed local plan, however this is still un-adopted. The link road was discussed, and it is intended that the road will continue on to join up with Manston Court Road at a point yet to be determined, but that section is not covered by this part of the development. The consultants confirmed that this detail will be confirmed nearer the time. The parishioners advised there is not enough doctor's surgeries for these new houses and that there is also insufficient infrastructure including roads, water, sewerage services to support this increase in local housing. Cllr Samme asked why was the development called Westwood village as it was not near Westwood. The consultant said they would take this into consideration. Water connections was also raised as an issue, and residents raised concerns as they are on a sewage pump. Consultants again stated this to be confirmed. Consultant confirmed that the site would have 30% affordable housing in line with TDC policy, however Cllr Wilson confirmed the sites adjacent both had an allocation of 25%.

### Planning

Barn Owls – the application which was refused by TDC has gone to planning inspectorate.

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### MANSTON PARK

A resident confirmed that TR8 had an issue with fly tipping, which she had reported to TDC and it was removed the next day. Quotes have been obtained from Serco to cut back the foliage in the park lining the fence that borders The Leys parking area and also the back entrance to the park. Cllr Samme proposed Serco to undertake the works, seconded Cllr Matthews. This would also include replacement of fencing in due course.

Cllr Samme confirmed that a new seat has been fitted to the childrens swings in the playground to replace the vandalised one.

Resident also advised that the Cherry Tree branches also need removing. The area around the dog bin also needs cutting back. The dog area which has been seeded is looking very nice, however there are more patchy areas. Although at certain times, there can be a large number of dogs in the dog area, the members decided it would be impossible to place a limit on the dog numbers and to enforce it. The dog bins are not regularly emptied, and there were a number of rubbish bags next to the bin. Clerk to email waste and recycling. (We have since been told by dog walkers that they have been given bags to put rubbish in by TDC to leave by the bins, this will be investigated further)

Community Warden – The community warden was unable to attend however, he has undertaken some speed monitoring within the village and out of 42 vehicles only 2 were speeding, he believes this is as a result of the traffic calming. Three lots of fly tipping has also been removed and a he reported an abandoned car which has now been removed from Preston Road.

Open Questions

Mr Goodban advised that the playing field by the Manston sports club is not publicly owned, and should not be used by dogs. He asked if this could be reiterated when the use of the sports field was discussed.

Date of next meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 11th September 2017 at 7:00pm in the RAF Manston History Museum

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MANSTON GARDEN CLUB

Meetings for the rest of 2017

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| 6th October  | Potato weighing              | Table: | Potato prints  |
| 3rd November | TBA                          | Table: | Winter Warmers |
| 1st December | Christmas Wreaths            |        |                |
| 3rd December | Village Hall Christmas Fayre | TBC    | (SUNDAY)       |



SEASONAL WINTER 'FLU VACCINATIONS 2017

Vaccination Clinics will be held on the following days: Saturday 23rd September and Saturday 14th October from 9.00 am and 1.00 pm. Appointments are now 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. f you have any concerns about your eligibility or availability of the vaccination, please contact Reception.

So please book now to ensure you get your preferred date and time.

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 some have already been sold! Also, a big “THANK YOU” to the patient who left two bottles of wine at reception as a prize for our raffle. Unfortunately we cannot thank you personally as there were not any contact details were enclosed.

Despite the fact that our weather doesn't always agree, for many of us summer holidays beckon! So please remember to order your “Repeat Prescriptions” in good time, and most importantly, check whether your “Annual Review” is imminent. Please also remember that our Healthcare Professionals take their holidays at this time as well, and our resources may be slightly stretched,

THANK YOU! A slight reduction probably due to the holiday period, so please continue to ensure “OUR RESOURCES ARE ALWAYS USED APPROPRIATELY!”

Last Month: 35 PATIENTS DID NOT attend their DOCTOR'S APPOINTMENT!

46 PATIENTS DID NOT attend their NURSES APPOINTMENT!

BUT THATS STILL 81 PATIENTS WASTING VALUABLE APPOINTMENTS and TIME!

SURGERY CLOSURE DAYS

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

Staff Training - Thursday 28th September; Wednesday 18th October and Thursday 30th November.

Bank Holiday - Monday 29th August - Closed all day

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. 999 for emergencies.

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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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