# **MANSTON NEWS**

## August 2019

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> July 19 at 7.00pm At RAF Manston History Museum, Manston

### Present Parish Councillors Cllrs John Dearing, Chairman, Irene Dolan, Vice-Chair, Roy

Matthews, Guy Wilson, Robin Tritton and Vic Champs

In Attendance - District Cllr Trevor Roper, Ashley Jackson (Clerk/RFO), 13 residents

#### 36/19-20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Roger Gale MP, Community Warden Tony Gander, PCSO Deborah Forsyth, County Cllr Emma Dawson, Cllrs Hart and Pugh.

#### 37/19-20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & CO-OPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

The Declarations of Interest Form was passed around for those in attendance to sign. No declarations were made.

#### 38/19-20 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was proposed by Cllr Champs to accept the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2019. Seconded by Cllr Matthews. These were signed by Cllr Dolan as a true record.

#### 39/19-20 FINANCIAL MATTERS

Members resolved to approve the Schedule of Payments which was proposed by Cllr Champs, seconded by Cllr Dolan, all in favour. Signed as appropriate by Cllr Dearing and Cllr Champs.

#### 40/19-20 CHAIRMANS REPORT

Cllr Dearing confirmed it had been a busy month – the airport issues appear to have been settled. He reported that he was concerned at the lack of presence of a County Cllr.; In previous years, Cllr Latchford and Cllr Hibberd have attended almost every meeting.

#### 41/19-20 PLANNING

Planning list was circulated this month F/TH/19/0483 – comments have been submitted on the planning portal from the PC. Cllr Tritton advised he had spoken to his neighbours and they have submitted comments online. He stated that this has been in the making for 3-4 years, and not enough has been done to fight it. Cllr Tritton would also like to know what is going to be done to the entrance as it is a dangerous bend, Cllr Wilson advised that if the trees were removed it may not be as dangerous. Cllr Tritton also asked about the plot of land adjacent to the planned building site, he wanted to oppose, now, any future application to develop that plot of land (there are no applications at present for outline planning permission for this plot). Cllr Dearing stated that you cannot fight a development until the plans are in and can't object just in case an application goes in. Returning to the proposed Preston Rd development, Cllr Dearing also stated that outline planning permission was granted last year and cannot be reversed and what is being debated is the fine details of the application – the properties. Cllr Dearing will speak to Paul Valek, to see if he can suggest anything can be done with regard to the traffic. Cllr Roper will find out if a clause can go in the S106 to ensure the shop and

café are not turned into housing. Clerk to find out if it can be called in to planning committee.

Application for 1 Mannock Road, Kent – no comments.

#### 42/19-20 **HIGHWAYS**

Footpath – TR22 This is the footpath from Manston Court Rd to Manston Rd through Manston Court Caravan Park. The obstructions have been noted by Liam Jackson of PROW (public rights of way) including a broken stile and they will investigate.

Drainage issues – Cllr Dearing has contacted the new KCC drainage manager, lan Day, with reference to three separate problems in the parish. A blocked drain in Manston Court Road, the 'Bradgate Lake' soakaways and blocked Flete Road drains. lan Day had been very quick to deal with the first two problems and met up with Cllr Dearing and Cllr Dolan to look at the Flete Road drains.

#### **43/19-20 MANSTON PARK**

Cllr Dearing confirmed that the height barrier has been repaired to a very high standard. The same company have also repaired the hanging frame and shields of the beacon. They also had them galvanised, the frames have been painted black and been refitted and the shields will be reinstated once the original designs/devices are painted on them

A resident passed a letter to Cllr Dearing regarding trees in the park which were responsible for dropping sap and bird mess on cars parked in The Leys parking area. Trees are hanging over the parking spaces. Resident has requested the trees be cut back, or down. Trees may be protected. Clerk to check preservation order. Cllr Dearing to assess the situation and meet with resident.

Hazel stated that the barrier looks very nice now.

#### 44/19-20 INDIVIDUAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

District Cllr Roper – He asked if anyone has an issue with the helicopters? He lives near the airfield and he has noticed a lot recently, and has found out that they are undertaking survey work. No one else has noticed or has an issue with them. He advised that the port has been losing a lot of money as you may be aware and on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July there is a meeting at the port for Cllrs to update them. He will update at next meeting. Cllr Champs asked if the car transportation were the future? He will confirm once he has been to the meeting. There are a number of gas checks outstanding on EKH (East Kent Housing) properties, although all the outstanding jobs have almost been done.

TDC are proposing that it is zero carbon by 2030 - does the PC agree with that? PC not quite sure how this will be able to happen due to the airport. Manston Airport DCO (Development Consent Order) is still outstanding and will need to be finished before any decision can be made. Local plan enquiry starts tomorrow (Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>) will come to a close in February.

PCSO (Police Community Support Officer) – report by email that nothing to report. Cllr Tritton advised that he had seen someone looking into car windows. He did shout at them to stop. Clerk to let PCSO know.

Cllr Reece Pugh reported by email regarding the EKH (East Kent Housing) gas certificates as above.

Clerk- Inflatable in the park – Clerk explained the request from a resident to site an inflatable assault course in the park - A vote was taken and everyone was against allowing the use of the park by the resident.

Traffic Calming in Preston Road, a resident sent in an email requesting traffic calming -- Cllr Dearing advised that the traffic situation has been discussed previously on a number of occasions. Clerk confirmed that there are no funds for traffic calming, Flete Road is being paid for by developer contribution. KCC have confirmed it is not an accident hotspot, therefore KCC will not pay for it. Community payback update – work

will be undertaken over the summer months. Cllr Champs confirmed the grass has been cut in the park.

#### 45/19-20 PUBLIC QUESTIONS & AGENDA ITEMS

Rex -Preston Road, to Malvern Grange turn right – hedge is overgrown and the road is crumbling away. Clerk to contact Paul Valek.

Can a stop sign be put on the chicane on Ramsgate side of Manston Road – Clerk to contact Paul Valek. Why is there a bollard on the right of way side?

Southern Water, works have been carried out on Manston Road on the Ramsgate side of the village but the area still smells bad.

Preston Road can the road sweeper go round? Last year's leaves are still there.

Cllr Champs asked are residents still getting red recycling bags? Cllr Roper advised that they are looking at recycling bins.

Resident stated that he uses the park a lot and he is aware of a lot of dogs not on leads. Can a sign go up stating that dogs must be on a lead. Cllrs advised him signs were there, he said they were too small. The Cllrs disagreed with him and Cllr Dearing advised that this cannot be enforced. The resident then asked if a warden could be provided in the park. Cllr Dearing confirmed that this was not something that could be provided by the PC. Cllr Wilson suggested the resident could join the Parish Council and become the warden. The resident quickly declined the offer.

#### 46/19-20 DATE/TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 7:00pm in the RAF Manston History Museum.

The Meeting closed at approximately 8.07pm.



#### **PATIENT LIAISON GROUP**

#### SEASONAL WINTER 'FLU VACCINATIONS 2019

Due to manufacturing difficulties and delays affecting all of NHS England, separate vaccination clinics will be held as follows:

FOR OVER 65s ONLY: Saturday 28 September - from 9am to 1pm.

FOR ALL PATIENTS: Saturday 19 October (to be confirmed)

Eligible and at-risk patients will receive a reminder via text, mail or post, but please note it is only possible to pre-book appointments for Saturday 28 September (for the over 65s) at present. Further information will be published on our notice board in the surgery when it becomes available. If you have any concerns about your eligibility or the availability of the vaccination please contact Reception.

#### MISSED APPOINTMENTS

Thank you, there was a slight reduction for GPs but nurses are still unacceptably high so, please ensure our resources are always used appropriately. Last month 27 patients did not attend their doctor's appointment whilst 38 did not attend their nurse's appointment, so that's still 65 patients wasting valuable appointments and time. With an average cost of £160 per appointment that's another £10,400 of NHS funds wasted. Please, if you don't need it, cancel it, keep forgetting? Use our text reminder service.

#### DON'T FORGET TO USE 'myGP'

You can now manage all your healthcare needs/requirements on a smartphone via 'myGP', for example, you can book/cancel appointments and order prescriptions, plus it has many other features. It's quicker, more convenient, available 24/7 and easy to use, so please download the App now.

#### FRIENDS AND FAMILY SURVEY

Thank you to all patients who take part and please continue to do so. We welcome your comments because, any feedback good or bad can help us to improve our service to all our patients. Last month responses to "would you recommend our Practice" were: Extremely likely/Likely - 91%; Extremely unlikely/Unlikely - 5%; Unsure/Don't know - 4%.

#### SURGERY CLOSURE DAYS

Please note the surgery will be closed for staff training on both Thursday 26 September and Thursday 24 October from 1pm onwards. The surgery is also closed all day on bank holiday Monday 26 August.

Please ensure that you have sufficient medication to last you during these times and don't forget to include any of the family who may require repeat prescriptions, also check when their medication review is due. Should you need to see a doctor when the surgery is closed, please call the NHS 111 Service 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.

#### **OUR 10TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**

SATURDAY 23 NOVEMBER, same time, same place! As this is our most popular event, tables are highly sought after and are on sale NOW, many have already been sold so, please book early to avoid disappointment. If you have pre-booked a table please confirm it NOW! I know it's a bit early but its first come, first served!

#### PATIENT GROUP MEETING

If you have any issues you would like to raise at our next meeting, or require further information on any of the above, then please contact Ken Self on 821 200, Jeanne Lawrence on 821 049 or email kenself@me.com.



#### Thanet Over Fifties Forum:

#### Isle faces 'real challenges' recruiting enough healthcare professionals

Clinical Commissioning Group opens up to Thanet Over Fifties Forum on issues faced by local healthcare and proposed changes to secondary services

More than 60 people turned up to the latest meeting of the Thanet Over Fifties Forum (TOFFs) at Queens Road Baptist Church, Broadstairs, last week.

Healthcare representatives were on hand to talk about the planned changes to local health and care services.



The first speaker of the day was Alisa Ogilvie, director of partnerships and membership engagement with Thanet Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). Highlighting why changes were needed, Ms Ogilvie said: "We have real challenges recruiting enough consultants, GPs, nurses and therapists."

She reported that other issues included: four in every ten hospital admissions being avoidable with better support; patients waiting too long for treatment at A&E, for cancer care and planned surgery; and the need for improvements to the old buildings housing so many clinical services.

For these reasons, Ms Ogilvie said: "Changes to secondary services were needed."

But the various proposals to change the make-up of healthcare services locally have not been without controversy, since clinicians and health leaders began developing options back in November 2017.

The decision making processes which concluded with the nearest hyper-acute stroke unit (HASU) being earmarked for the William Harvey Hospital in Ashford, are due to be challenged in the High Court later this year; while the two options currently on the table for the reconfiguration of A&E services, and introduction of urgent treatment centres (UTCs), have not been without opposition.

The second speaker was Lisa Barclay, a local CCG services head, who explained what UTCs would look like: "They will be the front door to the emergency department. GP-led, staffed by nurses and other clinicians. Patients can access same day appointments via their GP, 111 or by self-presenting, and they are equipped to diagnose and deal with many of the most common ailments people attend A&E for. Patients will be triaged to ensure it is clinically appropriate for them to be treated in the UTC. If not, they will be transferred directly to the emergency department. The UTC will be open 24hrs per day 7 days per week providing minor injury, diagnostics and treatment for minor illnesses."



Several questions were garnered verbally and in writing at the meeting. Concerns were raised about the possible lack of specialist doctors and consultants at a GP-led UTC, and the travel time between Thanet and Canterbury should, as one option proposes, the A&E at the Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother Hospital in Margate close in favour of a UTC.

The CCG representatives present agreed to provide written answers to the TOFFs members' questions, which will be published on TOFFs' social media and in the next members' newsletter, due out in August 2019.

One TOFFs member commented: "People create strength and the more people we have the bigger the voice an important voice."

The final speaker of the afternoon was Steve Inett, CEO of Healthwatch Kent, who spoke on his organisation's role in independently promoting and understanding the voice of those who use health and social care services in the county, to ensure their views are taken into account.

You can find out more about TOFFs and how you can join for free by calling 01843 609337, emailing pauline.petitt@kcv.org.uk or visiting the TOFFs on Facebook: @ThanetOverFifties.

Thanet Over Fifties Forum provides free bimonthly newsletters and meetings packed full of information on matters of interest as chosen by its members.

## **Kate's Puddings – What's Cooking?**

Every now and again, you need to branch out and try something new. I'm sure I'm not the only person in the world who has a file of recipes torn out of magazines that don't get used, and instead the old favourites keep being recycled. This one looked too good to resist... thanks Good Housekeeping – it's a cracking recipe.

#### **Caramelised Orange Tart**

Enriched Pastry:
4oz/125g butter, diced
8oz/225g plain flour pinch salt
2 tbsp icing sugar (I don't normally use this)
1 medium egg, beaten

#### Tart:

1 orange zest and juice, 1 orange zest only 1 lemon, juice only 3oz/75g butter 8oz/225g golden granulated sugar 3 medium eggs, beaten 3oz/75g ground almonds 2tbsp orange liqueur



#### Decoration:

3½ oz/100g caster sugar Pared zest of 1 orange, cut into slivers

Make the pastry (in a food processor, add the butter to the flour, (sugar) and salt, process until it looks like crumbs, add the egg and cold water as needed to make a smooth dough). For best results, knead the pastry lightly before making it into a ball and letting it rest in the fridge for 20 minutes. While it is resting, put the juices, zest, butter, sugar and eggs into a pan, heating gently and stirring until thickened. Stir in the ground almonds, orange liqueur.

Heat the oven to 200deg C. Roll the pastry out into a 9" loose bottomed flan tin and prick the base lightly. Refrigerate it again for 10 minutes. Line the pastry with paper and baking beans/old rice and bake blind for 15 minutes, then remove the paper and return the tart case for 5 minutes. Reduce the oven temperature to 180 deg C.

Spread the filling in the case, return it to the oven and bake for 20 minutes or until it is just firm. Leave to cool.

To decorate, dissolve 20z/50g sugar in a pan with  $\frac{1}{2}$  pint/300ml water, then add the orange parings. Simmer for 10-15 minutes until the liquid has reduced and the peel is tender. Drain.

Preheat the grill. Sprinkle the rest of the sugar over the tart and caramelise under the grill (if you don't have one, make a small quantity of caramel and pour over the tart, or use a blowtorch!). Cool the tart and then arrange the peel around the edge.

For more amazing recipes go to <a href="https://katespuddings.blogspot.com">https://katespuddings.blogspot.com</a>

### **DRY CLEANING**

After their tragic fire earlier this year, we are taking this opportunity to remind you that Jilly's of Deal are still operating their dry cleaning business and you can make use of their service via Attwells Newsagents in Minster as previously





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Thursday 14th March

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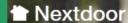


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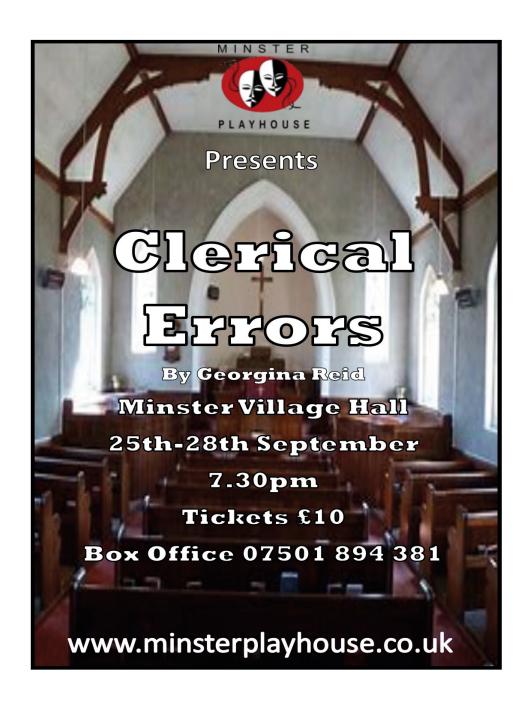


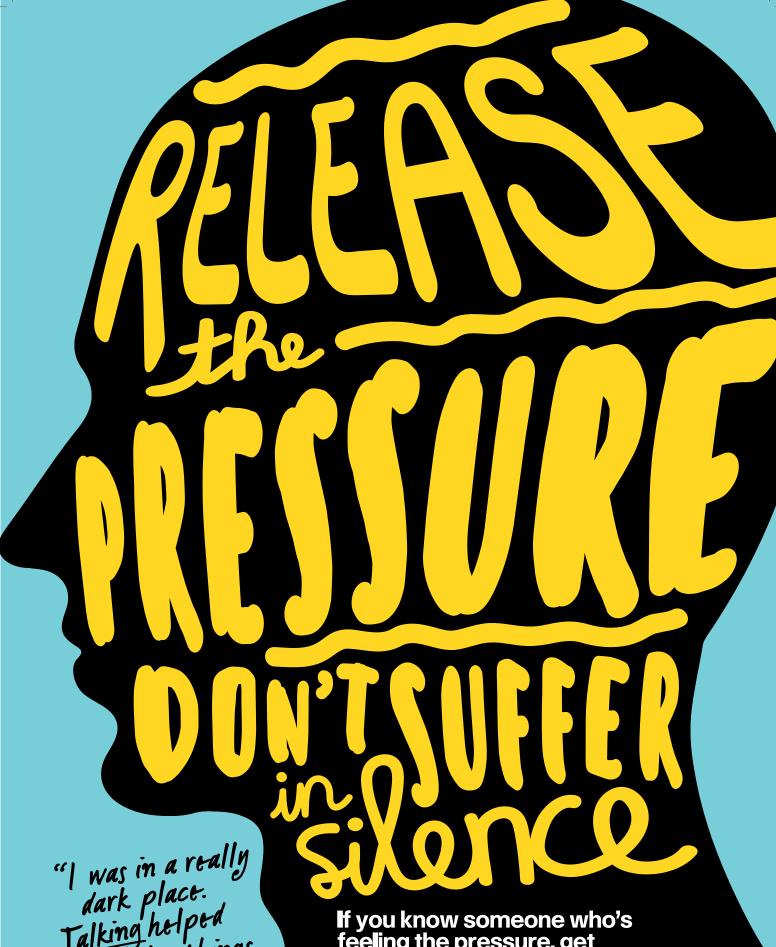
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"I was in a really dark place.
Talking helped me realise things, would get better.

Bill, 40, from Kent

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"So much had gone wrong in my life, talking helped me to start to take control, and put things right."

Joe, 34, from Kent

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