

WTC Meeting - Wednesday 14th Oct 2020 #1

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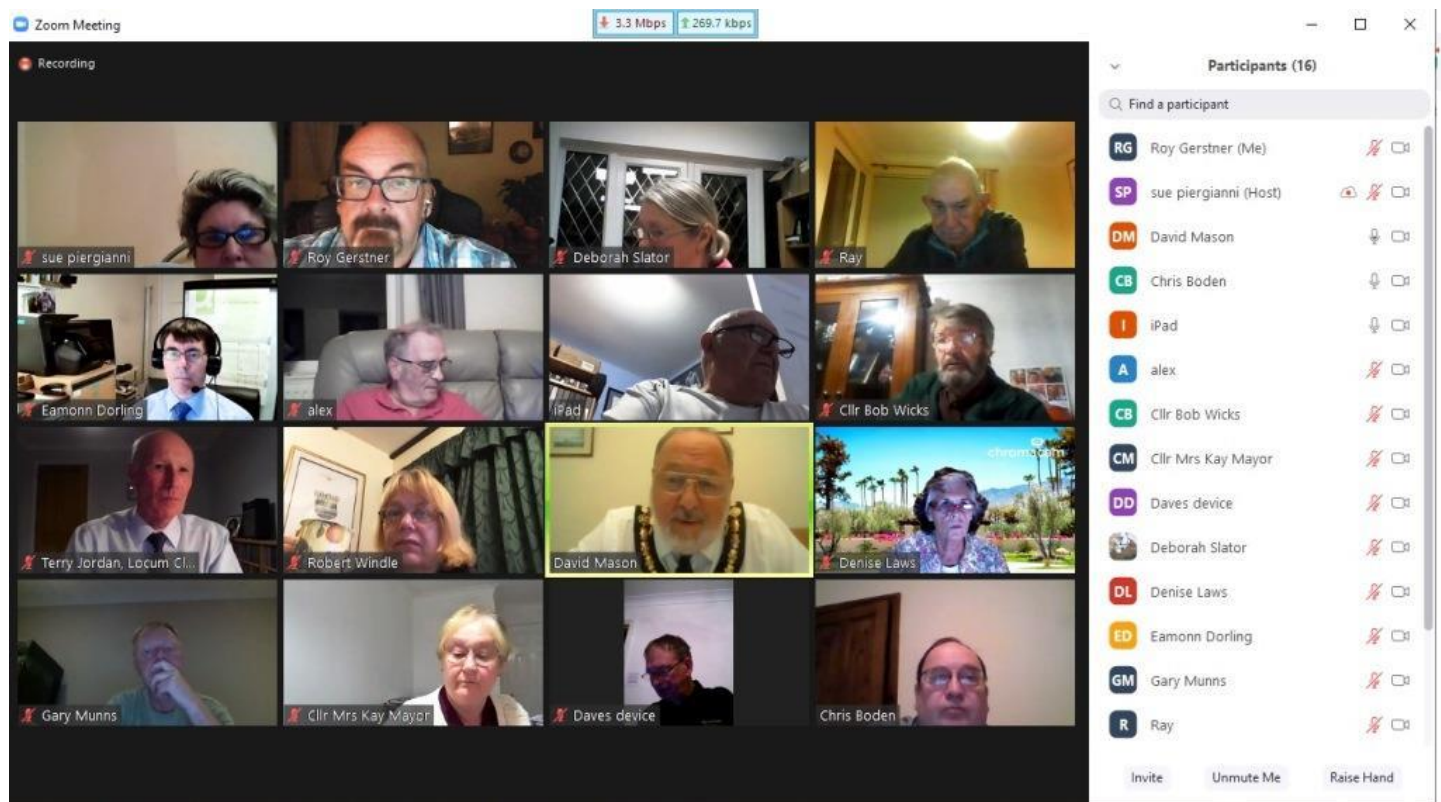
I am the only Councillor in Whittlesey who makes regular reports on meetings, I have done this for more than 9 years both as a member of the public and as a Town Councillor.

This Meeting was held by Video Conferencing Platform 'Zoom'

I will report the more salient aspects of the meeting.

Members of the public present :- 2

Members of the Council present :- 12 (all present)



The screenshot shows a Zoom meeting in progress. The main window displays a grid of 16 participants. The participants list on the right includes: Roy Gerstner (Me), sue piergianni (Host), David Mason, Chris Boden, iPad, alex, Cllr Bob Wicks, Cllr Mrs Kay Mayor, Daves device, Deborah Slator, Denise Laws, Eamonn Dorling, Gary Munns, Cllr Mrs Kay Mayor, Daves device, and Ray. The interface also shows recording status, network speed (3.3 Mbps), and various control buttons like 'Unmute Me' and 'Raise Hand'.

This month a somewhat shorter meeting – around 1½ hours..



Public Forum – Deborah Slator – Spoke about Remembrance Day plans by The Helping Whittlesey Group to temporary place 'Poppy Frames around the town. The poppies will weather fine for the time they are out and it is hoped they will be able to be used for subsequent years.

We have been planning this for a very long time, and spent many hours measuring, and testing to ensure we put on a professional display. To date we have well in excess of 100 people who have contributed to the display and many thousands of hours of work has gone into what we have achieved so far.

Mr Bernard Gray-Esson – updated Street Pride projects.

Police Matters - Members of the Council received the monthly update from The Neighbourhood Policing Team.

County Councillors Update - Cllr Boden – Informed that Jones Bros – contractors to the Kings Dyke Crossing are making good progress – one embankment is well advanced. He praised the contractors for keeping the road free from mud and regularly sweeping the A605. There have been complaints from residents at Kings Delph about HGV's and vibration concerns. Cambs CC Highways have been to inspect – Cllr Boden believes that the issue is with the road surface.

Cllr Laws – The Growing Fenland – Funding agreement now progressing. The Inter-Active Road Signs (3) also moving forward – funding needs to be signed off by the Combined Authority – it is now hoped to have the (3) signs installed within the next 8/10 weeks. (RG) This signage we have waited many years for – will inform motorists of when the B1040 – Thorney Road and North Bank are closed due to flooding, they can be used for other Traffic Management messaging.

Cllr Mason - The property working group have looked into installing 'railings' in front of Peel House. WTC own two flats within the Peel House complex and one flat will be giving notice to vacate. A letter received from Mr Peter Baxter – leave to Councillors to reply/respond.



Cllr Miscandlon - Mobile Vehicle Activated Signs (MVAS) for Stonald Road have now been approved by Highways and will be installed in the near future.

Waiting permission for Ramsey Road & Church Street. Units already installed in Coates and others will follow.

Cllr Mason – Remembrance Day – At this moment there is no central Government instructions and it is up to local authorities to decide how they will conduct the act of remembrance.

Whittlesey will have a scaled down event, there will be no street parade – wreaths will be laid on behalf of the Council, RBL and on behalf of MP Barclay. Should any organisation wish to place a wreath this can be done on an informal basis after 2:30pm on the 8th November.

(RG if anyone wishes further information please contact Cllr David Mason - davemason@whittleseytowncouncil.gov.uk)

Cllr Boden – WTC financial situation was on target for most items.

Cllr Mrs Mayor – Whittlesey In Bloom will be replacing the Flower Beds at the entrance to The Manor Field in the near future – the present ones are coming to their sell by date and will be replaced with planters similar to those on Grosvenor Road (Bus Stop) – The planters will be made of 'Recycled Plastic.

Planning – The George Hotel are applying for temporary permission to increase their outside seating, members discussed the implications of encroaching onto the market square and conflicting with market traders in a Friday. Although not objecting in principle – Fenland Market Manager should be informed of these concerns.

The next scheduled full Town Council meeting will be on Thursday 19th November 2020

Future meetings in the foreseeable future will be held on the above 'ZOOM' Platform.

Members of the Public are able to 'Attend these meetings' – You need to register with the Town Clerk beforehand. You are also able to table questions in advance again through the Town Clerk.



I am Roy Gerstner.

The Independent Councillor for **St Mary's Ward South - Whittlesey Town Council.**

Primarily I report on Council meetings & business to keep the electorate informed on both what I am actively involved with and in part other interests that I believe the electorate within Whittlesey & District may also wish to be informed.

My Web-Blog is community based and I report and comment on many subjects.

I occasionally make a mistake and more than happy to correct if it pointed out to me.

If you have any issues or concerns outside of the St Mary's Ward South, please contact your own local Councillor. If you contact me – I am more than happy to forward onto them.

If you have a generic issue or wish to make a comment I am more than happy to publish or promote any community events – (subject to meeting publishing criteria)

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