WTC Meeting – Thursday 17th December #2

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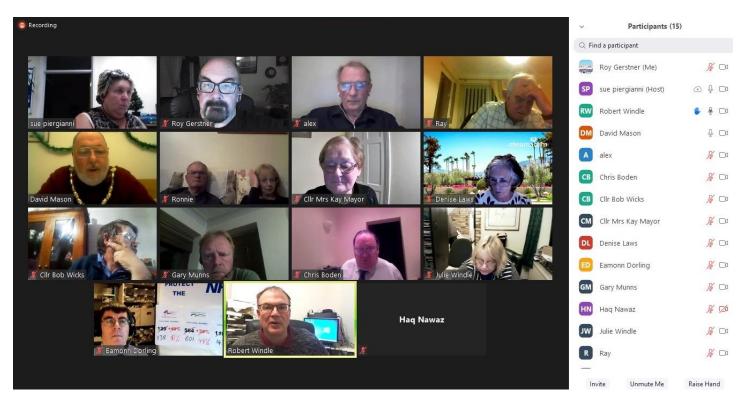
I am the only Councillor in Whittlesey who makes regular reports on meetings, I have done this for more than 9 years both as a member of the public and as a Town Councillor.

This Meeting was held by Video Conferencing Platform 'Zoom'

I will report the more salient aspects of the meeting.

Members of the public present :- 3

Members of the Council present :- 12 – Cllr Davies arrived after Screen Shot taken.



Street Scene Officers Report, Environmental, CCTV – Has already been posted Friday

Public Forum – Mr Robert Windle – Gave an update on Fenland Youth Radio (FYR) growing listeners and development. Excellent feedback on Remembrance Sunday broadcast. FYR plan to broadcast over 30 hours of live events over the Christmas period.

The Whittlesey Sports Association hope to restart next year.

Police Matters – A report from the Neighbourhood Sergeant had been distributed with other paperwork – there were no comments

County Councillors Update - Clir Boden – Kings Dyke Bridge is some 2 months ahead of schedule – but depends on weather during winter – planned to open December 2022.

Saxon Pit – planned recycling of waste and the demolishing of (2) chimneys – Cllr Boden informed of where CCC and the Environment Agency are at present – there is no formal planning application presented as yet. I commented about the Highway and Transport assessment procedures. Assessment H&S, ecological and other factors have to be presented to the satisfaction of CCC planners before the Chimneys can be demolished.

Clir Laws – The Growing Fenland – Funding agreement now progressing.

The Inter-Active Road Signs (3) have now at last (11+ years waiting) been ordered – however delivery is some 16 weeks – Hope to be installed March/April next year.

The planned 'new' Heritage Walk' has now been funded by The Combined Authority and it is hoped that all will be completed by March 2022.

As previously noted funding of some £500,000 has been granted by The Combined Authority towards a 'Heritage Centre' (See last month's report) – I asked if this funding was time constrained – which it is. Cllr Boden replied that he thought there would be some leeway if there was time slippage.

Clir Mason – Following on from last month's report Safety railings, in front of Council Offices, only one contactor quoted out of the three contacted.

Clir Miscandion - Mobile Vehicle Activated Signs (MVAS) – Several have been installed in/around Whittlesey and Villages – Can and will be moved to other locations when identified.

Finances – At present finances on target with some scope for 2021 – Budget being formulated for January Finance & Policy meeting.

General – Medals for past and present Mayors have been deliver and will be distributed in the near future.

Electric Charging Point @ Town Council Offices – 3 quotations received and to confirm that the Government subsidy is recoverable from who-ever is awarded the work.

The next scheduled full Town Council meeting will be on Thursday 21st January 2021

Members of the Public are able to 'Attend these meeting' – 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 Rov 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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Connie and I wish you all a Very Safe, Happy Christmas and New Year. I would like to thank all and everyone who passes by my simple web blog. Hopefully we may start to get back to some normallity – but being practical could be a way off yet.











