WTC Meeting – Thursday 22nd July 2021

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I am the only Councillor in Whittlesey who has made regular reports on meetings.

I have done so for 10 years both as a member of the public and as a Town Councillor.

I will report the more salient aspects of the meeting.

Members of the public present :- 3

Members of the Council present: - 13

Apologies from Cllr's Dorling

The agenda for this meeting has been previously published on this web-blog.



Reports :- from Street Scene and CCTV were in the Councillors Pack – These will be published in part 2 of my report later today

Police Report :- The liaison meeting had not taken place yet, but a report would be sent to Councillors after the next scheduled meeting.

Public Forum: -



Mr David Lewis – Informed members that a few 'historic willow tree's' along the B1040/Thorney Road had fallen over/died and these trees were iconic to the Whittlesey Wash area. He asked if these could be replaced and was aware the he Whittlesey Wild Fowlers maintained the tree's





Mr Robert – Informed members of the progress to 'The BIG BASH' an event planned for 12th September 2021 and will incorporate a 'Service at the War Memorial at 12pm with events, music, a golden age Fair, sporting activities and classic cars.

Mr Windle had also applied for Grant Funding from WTC which was discussed and approved at Monday night's Finance & Policy Committee meeting.

He had also requested signage for Fenland Youth Radio to be place on the front of the Council Offices (Peel House) which was dealt with later in the meeting.

Items for Discussion (As per agenda)

1/ Request for signage on behalf of Fenland Youth Radio, this was refused on size and location, and that the Council Offices were within a conservation area, and planning permission would probably be required.



2/ Update to the MVAS's (Speed Indicators) Cllr Miscandlon had taken the damaged one to the manufacturers and had it repaired.

Discussion on locations/Batteries and ongoing costs.

Clir Gerstner:- Informed the members that the Police nationally were now taking much more notice from the data supplied by MVAS's including Cambridgeshire. The Cambridgeshire Police & Crime Commissioner had recently allocated resources and finances towards the Community Speed Watch Scheme.

This would include the refurbishment of 3 Police Vehicles to be used by Police Specials for Speed Enforcement purposes, and 3 new vehicles later in the year.

He also informed members, that the recent flurry of 16 members of the public who had wished to form a 'New Speed Watch Group' in Whittlesey, had come to Zero from the said 16. There was 4 members of Whittlesey NHW who had completed the training and signed the indemnity forms (including himself). There are some 135 Speed Watch Groups throughout Cambridgeshire.

4/ High Causeway: - Years of ongoing issues and concerns of the illegal traffic on this part time pedestrian zone. Councillors suggested that better CCTV coverage be used and sent to the Police for



some sort of action to take place. **Clir Boden** was going to investigate the 'signage' being correct and enforceable.

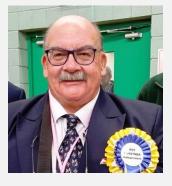
Finances: - All up-to-date finances were in the Councillors pack.

There was a request for a donation, and this will be reported in the Council minutes available next month.

There will be no Full Council meeting during August.

The date of future Council Meetings: - to be held at Peel House (WTC Offices) Thursday 23rd September 2021

***** The Fete on the Green @ Coates is planned to be held Saturday 11th September ***** The Big Bash on the Manor Field Whittlesey to be held Sunday 12th September



I am Roy Gerstner. The Independent Councillor for St Mary's Ward South - Whittlesey Town Council.

Primarily I report on Council meetings & business (Both at FDC & WTC) 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 events, meetings and 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, you are welcome in the first instance to 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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