# WTC Meeting – Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 more than 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 :- 7

Members of the Council present: - 11

Apologies from Cllr's Gerstner, Munns & Mockett.

Members of the public and others have sent me a brief summary of the meeting.

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 :- Minutes of the previous August meeting have already been sent out.

## Public Forum: -

**Residents from Kings Delph: -** Have been campaigning for some time for a 30mph speed limit imposed through their community.

(RG Note): - There have already been several meetings with Councillors and Cambs Highways to explore and identify ways of resolving these issues. There is a consensus amongst most Councillors that a 30mph speed limit be imposed all the way from Kings Delph to the exit with Coates. This is being actively pursued.

The Average Speed Camera's would also need extending and funding.

**Mr Robert Windle: -** Gave feedback of The BIG BASH held at the Manor Field on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September.

A donation from one of his helpers towards the Mayors Charities was presented. One of the most popular event was The Fishing on the Bower, the Fishing Association are now looking at holding regular sessions on the Manor Field side.

Whittlesey Sports Association donated £250 towards the Mayor Charities, The Falcon Hotel also made a donation as they sold out of 'Burgers' on the day.

Later in the meeting Mr Windle was congratulated for a very successful event.

#### Items for Discussion.



The issues of vehicles using High Causeway when they shouldn't, Cllr Boden stated he thinks the signage is good enough for CCTV to collect registration numbers and prosecute. Sgt Lugg (Neighbourhood Police) is not convinced to be able to enforce using CCTV and is looking into the costing/analysis of using CCTV.

(RG Note: There has been many incidents of near misses between vehicles and pedestrians on this small piece of road, there has been injuries sustained by people tripping over alleged pavement/brick movement, which has probably been caused by HGV deliveries.)

The area is inspected regularly by Cambs Highways personal.

**Council Offices – Peel House:** Leaks in the building have now been identified and capped, elderly building with potentially many future issues.

The Boiler Room requires considerable work.

The Flat Roof is 12 years old and an evaluation to determine if repairs or a new roof is required. Rain Water pipe is leaking.

Urgent costings to be obtained for replacing heating water system, repairs not deemed economic.

Vehicles crossing from High Causeway onto/off A605: suggested bollards be placed to stop this from happening.

**Clir Wicks:** Concerned about the number of places available at Sir Harry Smith's and asked for a presentation. **Clir Boden** explained CCC allocation and current proposals for a new building will take site to maximum capabilities, it awaits Secretary of State approval, entry requirements will be restricted i.e., non from Peterborough or Thorney. There is to be a new school West of Wisbech should assist.

**CIIr Wicks:** The Coates Fete very successful and considering a 'Graduation Parade' for next year.

**Clir Connor**: The Pondersbridge Traffic Calming project has not been successful as some of it will have to be taken out.

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

**Clir Boden:** Urged caution as spending on maintenance/repairs and staged payments towards the 'Heritage Centre' may take time to be reimbursed.

The date of future Council Meeting: - to be held at Peel House (WTC Offices) Full Council - Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2021



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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