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re. Independent District Councillor's REPORT to the Over & Willingham AGMs 2024

Good morning ladies!

Please accept my sincere apologies for the tardiness of this report. As Cambridge's most celebrate writer of Science Fiction quipped, "I love deadlines. I like the whooshing sound they make as they fly by."

The Chairs have asked that these annual reports be kept brief. I hope this serves.

>>THREE THINGS I <u>HAVE NOT</u> DONE AS AN ELECTED COUNCILLOR FOR OVER & WILLINGHAM IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS

- [1] I <u>have not</u> voted to increase Council Tax.
- [2] I have not voted to increase Council House Rents.
- [3] I have not voted to increase the remuneration I receive as a Councillor.

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[1] I <u>have</u> made good on my commitment to resist the imposition of the HATED and IMMORAL CONgestion charge proposal. CONcharging is dead but not burried. There remain a host of demented Renfields all too eager to reanimate their monster for their own strange and benighted reasons. CONcharging would deliver zero benefit to our villages while putting up a paywall between sick folks and their healthcare, working people - especially the low and no paid - and their employments. [2] I <u>have</u> worked with local and national stakeholders to sound the alarm in re. South Cambridgeshire's omnishambolic Four Day Week "Trial". A project concieved in ommited truths and delivered in committed lies has no academic or real world merit. 4in7 working has the potential to transform the quality of life for millions of people and revolutionize our society so that we work from rest (rather than resting from work). If the aim had been to improve local services and outcomes then a sensible, sensitive version of 4in7 working would have been applied (within a package of remedies such as key worker housing). There can be little doubt that the Rekjavic Five Days Paid For Four Days Worked Model was a poor fit with the overtaxed sensibilities of residents.

[3] I <u>have</u> successfully navigated the backroom politics of South Cambs Hall to make White Ribbon Acredditation for the council happen. White Ribbon is the UK's leading charity engaging men and boys to end violence against women and girls by addressing the root causes through the application of good auld fashioned education, education, education.

I beg to remain &etc.

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