

## Town of Glastonbury

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Richard J. Johnson Town Manager ITEM #12 11-09-2021 Meeting

November 5, 2021

The Glastonbury Town Council 2155 Main Street Glastonbury, CT 06033

Re: Town Manager's Report

Dear Council Members:

The following will keep you up to date on various topics.

#### 1. 35 Bell Street

The tenants at the Town-owned residence at 35 Bell Street (2<sup>nd</sup> level) advised they would like to leave before the current lease term expires in June 2022. This is a market lease. Options include transition to a Section 8 affordable rental opportunity or selecting a new market rate tenant. As background, the property at 1098 New London Turnpike is now a Section 8 unit and the same is planned for 2157 Main Street pending ongoing improvements. I will appreciate Council direction in this regard.

#### 2. Veterans Day

The Veterans Service Commission Ceremony is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at Hubbard Green. Following the ceremony, the veteran graves at the Glastonbury Veterans Cemetery (next to Eastbury School) will be marked with medallions and American flags. Those who would like to help are welcome to attend at 11:00 a.m.

#### 3. Sustainable CT

I am pleased to advise Glastonbury is among twelve towns statewide to receive the Silver Designation (highest) per the Sustainable CT process. This designation is for the three years 2021-2024 and complements Glastonbury being one of five communities across the state to receive this highest honor through the inaugural Sustainable CT program for 2018-2021. The process requires significant effort throughout the Town organization and my sincerest thanks and congratulations to all involved with this accomplishment.

#### 4. Design Guidelines

Project scope and proposed budget is being finalized with top rated firms. I expect to have a specific proposal for initial action at the November 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting. This would include a referral to the Board of Finance and scheduling of public hearing and action on the appropriation and transfer for the December 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### 5. Commission on Racial Justice and Equity (CRJE)

The CRJE was established per Council policy action. Accordingly, the term is commensurate with the Council term and the CRJE as applicable will need to be re-established by the new Town Council.

#### 6. Bond Rating and Refunding

The rating review by Moody's Investor Services and Standard & Poor's for the recent bond refunding confirmed Glastonbury's AAA and Aaa bond ratings. Rating factors cited by the rating agencies include:

- Strong budgetary performance
- Very strong economy
- Very strong management
- Strong financial policies and practices
- Very strong debt management
- Very strong liquidity

The pricing for the refunding will bring \$655,000+ in prospective Debt Service savings generally recognized over the five fiscals years 2022 through 2026. Another great result for Glastonbury.

Sincerely

Richard J. Johnson Town Manager

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ITEM #12 (Supplemental) 11-09-2021 Meeting

November 9, 2021

The Glastonbury Town Council 2155 Main Street Glastonbury, CT 06033

Re: Supplemental Town Manager's Report

Dear Council Members:

The following supplements the written report originally forwarded with the Agenda for the Tuesday, November 9, 2021 Regular Meeting.

#### 1. State Historic Preservation Office

Per the attached, the State Historic Preservation Office – Preservation Review Board will formally consider proposed demolition of the Wright-Gaines House at a meeting on Friday, December 3, 2021. I will plan to attend the meeting and have advised the Executive Director of the Glastonbury Historic Society and Chairperson of the Glastonbury Historic District Commission. I am advised the applicant on or by Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup> will file a new Application for Demolition of the subject building. This will extend the 90-day review period to early February 2022. Upon receipt of this new Application, I will file a formal objection per previous Council action.

#### 2. COVID-19 Report

Attached is the November 8, 2021 COVID-19 update by Director of Health Wendy Mis. The number of new cases per 100,000 population has increased to 14.5. As you know, the red level begins at 15 cases per 100,000. New cases in Glastonbury totaled 18.6 for the August 26<sup>th</sup> report and steadily declined to 8.5 with the October 21<sup>st</sup> report. The number has increased effective October 28<sup>th</sup> and November 4<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely

Richard J. Johnson Town Manager

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# Connecticut

## Department of Economic and Community Development

State Historic Preservation Office

November 8, 2021

Via Email

Meghan Alter Hope, Associate Alter & Pearson, LLC Attorneys at Law 701 Hebron Avenue P.O. Box 1530 Glastonbury, CT 06033 2021 NOV -9 AM 8: 20

To: Representatives for 2283-2289 Main Street, Glastonbury

This letter is to inform you that the State Historic Preservation Review Board is scheduled to discuss whether the buildings at 2283-2289 Main Street and 2283-2289 Main Street Rear in Glastonbury continue to contribute to the Glastonbury National Register Historic District, which was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1984. The National Register is the Federal Government's official list of historic properties worthy of preservation. Listing in the National Register provides recognition and assists in preserving our Nation's heritage. The State Historic Preservation Review Board meeting is open to the public and will be held by video/teleconference at 9:30 a.m. on December 3, 2021. Please email Jenny Scofield, jenny.scofield@ct.gov for a meeting link or call 1-860-840-2075 (Phone Conference ID: 885 168 60#) if you would like to join the meeting.

The State Historic Preservation Review Board (Board) was established under 36 CFR 61.4 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, (54 U.S.C. 300101 et seq., formerly 16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.), and Chapter 177b, Section 10-321q of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS), to provide expert opinions about the significance of historic cultural resources in Connecticut. Board members include professional archaeologists, architects, architectural historians, historical architects, historians, and landscape architects who exceed professional qualification standards established by the Secretary of the Interior.

Please note that the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) may seek expert advice from the State Historic Preservation Review Board at any time. The purpose of the aforementioned review is to assess the current architectural and historical integrity of the buildings proposed for demolition at 2283-2289 and 2283-2289 Rear Main Street in order to provide a recommendation to the SHPO regarding whether the buildings still retain the characteristics that qualified them for National Register listing as part of the Glastonbury National Register Historic District. The role of the Board is limited to discussion of the property's National Register-listed status. The Board



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State Historic Preservation Office

meeting is not a hearing; project plans and proposed alternatives are not relevant to the discussion of the existing National Register eligibility of the property. This review is for advice only; it is not equivalent to a formal request to change the National Register listing.

Please contact me at <u>Jenny.Scofield@ct.gov</u> or Todd Levine at <u>Todd.Levine@ct.gov</u> if you have any questions regarding this item on the State Historic Preservation Review Board agenda.

Sincerely,

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Jenny F. Scofield, National Register and Architectural Survey Coordinator

cc: Richard Johnson, Town Manager, Town of Glastonbury



### Memo

November 8, 2021

To: Richard J. Johnson

Town Manager

Fr: Wendy S. Mis WSM

Director of Health

Re: COVID-19 update

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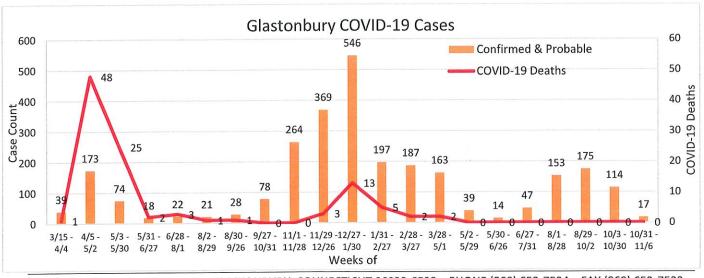
Numbers in (parentheses) indicate change from previous week.

As per CT Department of Public Health (CT DPH) lab testing data available 11/6/21:

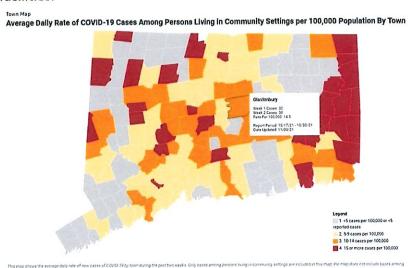
• 28,094 residents have been tested for COVID-19 (+177)

represents data from 10/31 – 11/06 only.

- Of the 28,094 residents tested, 2,738 (+27) have laboratory confirmed positive and probable cases of COVID-19
- Deaths are recorded using information from the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner. No new deaths have been recorded, leaving the loss of Glastonbury residents at 106 people (+0).
- By gender, a total of 1,416 female (+14) and 1,322 male (+13) positive cases have been reported. The graph below shows a count of residents with confirmed positive and probable cases and COVID-19 related deaths in approximate one-month timeframes beginning in March 2020. Notes: COVID-19 deaths are depicted on a secondary Y axis with a separate (right hand) scale. The last column

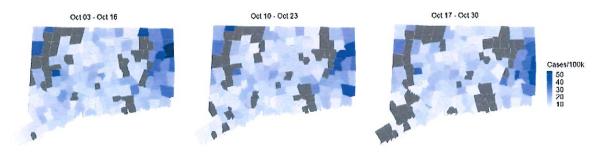


CT DPH's COVID-19 Town Alert System map, updated weekly, shows positive cases per 100,000 population using a 14 day average. Using a color coded system of grey (<5 cases), yellow (5-9 cases), orange (10-14 cases), and red (15 or more cases), viewers can understand at a glance the occurrence of cases statewide. Only cases among persons living in community settings are included in this map; the map does not include cases among people who reside in nursing home, assisted living, or correctional facilities.

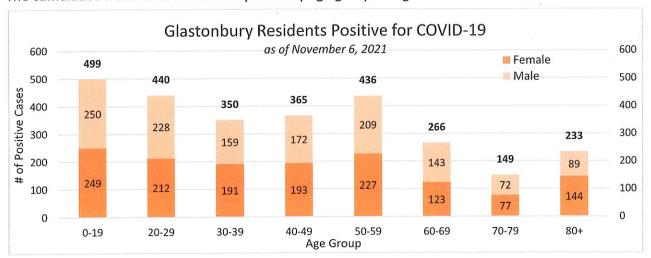


- Glastonbury is currently shown in orange at 14.5 reported cases per 100,000 (+3.9).
- The most recently updated map, dated November 4, shows thirty one (-3) cities and towns have 15 or more cases per 100,000 population.

The graphic below shows the average number of new cases per 100,000 population per day. Darker colors indicate towns with higher rates. Towns in dark grey have less than 5 cases per 100,000 population per day. New cases in nursing homes, assisted living or correctional facilities are not included.



The cumulative number of Glastonbury cases by age group and gender is shown in the chart below.



#### Vaccination status:

Every week, the percent of partially and fully vaccinated Glastonbury residents increases. Data from 11/4/21 (below) shows the percent of all fully vaccinated Glastonbury residents that are eligible for vaccination (aged 12 and over) is 87.56%.

Age group (yrs)	Percent fully vaccinated*
12 - 17	77.11
18 - 24	93.2
25 - 44	86.75
45 - 64	80.73
65+	100
Average of fully vaccinated Glastonbury residents (12 years of age and over)	87.56

<sup>\*</sup>Fully vaccinated is 2 weeks after the last shot in the vaccination series

#### Town mask mandates:

In the absence of a statewide mask mandate, several towns have put in place a mask mandate for all public indoor spaces. Several nearby Hartford County towns have mask mandates. The number of COVID-19 cases per 100,000 is indicated below per town. The change from the previous week is in parentheses.

	Cases per 100,000	Status of Mask
	as per 11/4/21	Mandate
East Hartford	13.0 (+0.4)	
Hartford	10.1 (-0.1)	Discontinued
Manchester	10.8 (-0.4)	Discontinued
Rocky Hill	8.2 (-1.0)	Discontinued
South Windsor	8.7 (-1.9)	Discontinued
West Hartford	6.5 (-0.1)	Discontinued
Glastonbury	14.5 (+3.9)*	Discontinued

<sup>\*</sup> This data represents the seventh consecutive week of community cases below 15 cases per 100,000 population. Glastonbury's mask requirement was discontinued October 1.

#### Connecticut cases and deaths of fully vaccinated individuals:

As of November 4, 2021, 19,474 cases of COVID-19 among fully vaccinated persons in Connecticut have been identified. Of the 2,393,490 persons who have completed their vaccine series, 0.81 percent have contracted the virus.

State-wide, two hundred and twenty-six COVID-19 related deaths have occurred among the 19,474 fully vaccinated persons confirmed with COVID-19. These deaths represent 17.7% of all COVID-19 deaths since 2/9/2021.

The table below shows cases and deaths among Connecticut's fully vaccinated persons by age group. This information is not available by town.

Cases and Deaths Among Fully Vaccinated Persons by Age Group			
	# (%) Cases	# (%) Deaths	
Age groups			
(in years)			
12 - 15	339 (1.7%)		
16 - 24	2,188 (11.2%)		
25 - 34	2,598 (15.2%)		
35 - 44	3,219 (16.5%)	1 (0.4%)	
45 - 54	3,436 (17.6%)	7 (3.1%)	
55 - 64	3,505 (18%)	20 (8.8%)	
65 - 74	2,006 (10.3%)	35 (15.5%)	
75+	1,823 (9.4%)	163 (72.1%)	
TOTAL	19,474	226	

Data from DPH is considered preliminary. Test results may be reported several days after the result. Data are incomplete for the most recent days. Data from previous dates are routinely updated. In an ongoing process of data assessment, DPH continues to modify how certain disease-positive lab results are considered, changing some previous counts. Probable cases of COVID-19 include persons with positive antigen results. Positive cases include molecular and antigen tests. Prior to June 1, 2020, probable and confirmed cases were reported together.<sup>1</sup>