

I'm Keith Gowland, a Parish Councillor of some twenty plus years at Whitfield Parish Council and at Guston Parish Council where I joined in 2011 in order to gain a working knowledge of how a small Council (600 electors) operated as I felt it would help me as Area Committee Chairman to experience and understand large and small council operations. I have been Dover Area Committee Chairman for many years and and push KALC and it's Training and Learning & Development at every opportunity.

We are fortunate in Dover District to be fully Parished and have 100% Membership of Local Councils.

I have been involved with KALC for many years on the Executive Committee, the F&GP Committee and various Advisory and Working Groups.

My main interests in our sector of Government and coming from a business background are Finance, Governance, Transport, HR with an additional interest in Planning.

I have been a Parish Councillor for over twenty years at Whitfield PC and at Guston PC, being actively involved in all aspects of Local Council activities as well a long association with KALC.

Being in East Kent (Whitfield, A2 and Dover I have first-hand knowledge and experience of Cross Channel traffic issues. Also Bus and Rail travel, with many years on Dover Joint Transportation Board and Dover Quality Bus Partnership and a good knowledge of all Transport issues.

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