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Feedback on current Town Meeting

Good morning!

As much as I know that some cherish the current format of Town Meeting, I have yet to attend one in the last 11 years.

Usually, it is held during the week, and as someone who commutes to Cambridge and has family and community commitments, most weekdays attendance has not been possible.

Most people in Town that I know do not attend either.

I think that we have to reconsider what we are doing and not be held hostage to what has always been.

If Town Meeting is kept, then it should be possible to attend and vote virtually. Or we need to think of a more representative way other than Town Meeting to govern Andover.

I would be interested in being involved, depending on the time commitment. I would like more voices to be heard in our community.