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Hi Down to Earth members,

Some of you will be aware that there has been an issue with Zoom forcing people into a waiting room which has come into effect.

I have looked into this issue this morning and this was part of an automatic change by Zoom due to a change in privacy requirements associated with a Zoom update.

There is a requirement for either a waiting room or a passcode. Rather than have a situation where people have to wait to be let in and out etc. out of meeting rooms, I have turned this "waiting room" feature off so that people can come and go, and opted for a simple passcode of "123456" to get in and out of the DTE Zoom meeting rooms instead.

This means that anyone can use the room at any time, get in and out, but will need to use the above security code to do so.

Please note that this change in security is a Zoom instigated change in security settings.

All other details remain the same.

Zoom meetings can be accessed via the DTE meeting portal located at: [http://data.dte.org.au/meeting/current\\_meeting/portal.php](http://data.dte.org.au/meeting/current_meeting/portal.php) and are held on Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm and other times as deemed necessary by members.

For those unaware, the regular Thursday evening meeting schedule is:

First Thursday of the month: Board meeting

Second Thursday of the month: Confest Committee Meeting and particularly in non-Confest time Organising Committee Meeting in the unexpired portion of meeting time (max 3 hours)

Last Thursday of the month: Organising Committee Meeting

Generally, a meeting of some description, be it a committee meeting, board meeting, discussion group, "chit-chat" or training session is held in the same room, each Thursday at 7.30 pm.

During the week there are irregular meetings held as needed.

To avoid many of you receiving multiple copies of this email and then multiple copies of replies, I am sending this email as a broadcast message to all members.

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Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Warm regards,

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