

**Subject:** FW: Parish Meeting - 19th January

Hello,

Thank you very much to all the Parish Councillors who attended my Parish Meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> January, it was great to see everyone who braved the cold! I found our discussion extremely interesting and helpful.

I am also very grateful to Inspector Palmer for joining me and responding to issues for the Police.

As I said at the start, my aim is to set these meetings up to run twice a year so I will be in touch in the spring with the date for the next one.

There were a number of follow ups and pieces of information I promised to share with you, please find these below:

**Neighbourhood Link:**

Neighbourhood Link is an easy, free email messaging service from Leicestershire Police, Neighbourhood Watch and other local partner organisations, providing news and updates on policing matters that are relevant to you. Sign up to receive email alerts about police activity and initiatives in your local area, crime prevention advice and information and warnings about current scams and fraud. You'll have the opportunity to reply directly to your neighbourhood team and have your say on your local policing priorities.

Inspector Palmer told us that the Police use the surveys sent out through neighbourhood Link to set the properties for each area. All residents can sign up so please share this link with your communities so residents can let the police know what matters most to them: <https://www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk/>

**HGVs:**

If your parish is having issues with HGVs breaching weight limits, please send company names and reg numbers to me and my team will follow up with the companies.

**Parish Crime Data:**

You can find the data on crime in your area on this website: <https://www.police.uk/>

Enter a Post Code for your village into the 'Whats happening in your Area?' section. This will bring up crime stats for our Borough. If you click on 'Crime Map' in the toolbar near the top, it will breakdown the stats further to individual villages.

**Parking Enforcement:**

There was feedback for Inspector Palmer on Police parking enforcement. Please find here a guide to the parking enforcement issues which LCC are responsible for which I hope you will find helpful: <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/cars-and-parking/parking-enforcement> Some of the issues which were raised at the meeting seem to fall into the remit of LCC so it would be worth flagging these with them.

**Rural Crime WhatsApp Group:**

If anyone would be interested in joining the NFU Rural Crime WhatsApp group, please let me know and I will make contact with them to see if this is a possibility.

## **LRALC Courses:**

Thank you very much to John from LRALC for your contributions, especially regarding social media issues. John has kindly shared the following information about the courses which LRALC can organise, I hope this will be of assistance to you:

*[Breakthrough Communications](#) training on social media and other related areas. Details of the courses are on the link. Ignore the course calendar with published dates, we arrange these courses directly with the team for Leicestershire and Rutland town and parish councils. Happy to arrange any specific course for our councils, the only thing we have to be aware of is to make sure we get a minimum number of bookings to cover the cost. If you have access to any funding that will help subsidise this, it will make it much easier for us to put the courses on.*

## **Access to Cash Review:**

The disappointing news that HSBC have decided to close their branch in Market Bosworth was discussed. I would encourage all Parish Councils to complete an Access to Cash Review request to highlight the difficulties which the loss of the branch will cause for local villages. You can find details of how to do this here: <https://www.link.co.uk/about/news/news-archive/communities-invited-to-highlight-cash-access-problems/>

I hope you find the above helpful, if you have any questions or other issues you'd like to raise, my door is always open!

I will be in touch later in the year to arrange a follow up meeting.

Kind regards,

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