



Notes of the South East Regional Group Meeting

Held on: Thursday 23rd June 2011
At: The Guildhall, Canterbury

| Item | Notes | Action Points |
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| 1. | <p>Welcome, Apologies and Notes of Previous Meeting</p> <p>Bob Spicer (BS Chair) welcomed everyone to Canterbury.</p> <p>All attendees introduced themselves.</p> <p>Following a request, Item 6 of the agenda was brought forward</p> <p><i>Apologies were received from:</i> Graham Brown, Liberty Services Mrs Denny Stewart, Wycombe District Council</p> | |
| Item 6. | <p>BPA, Parking Policy and Legislation Updates (Item Brought forward on request)</p> <p>Updates were given by Robin Chantrill-Smith, Austen Hunter, Bob Spicer and Mike Bibby in relation to Focus Groups and General Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TEC Focus Group - DVLA Focus Group - Blue Badge Improvement Service - Chief Executives Update - BPA Operations - Park Mark/Safer Parking - IPP - Events Update - New BPA Website <p><i>Notes on the above updates are available as titled Appendix 1, and on the BPA website.</i></p> | |
| 2. | Presentation: A Revolutionary way of controlling off- | |

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| | <p>street parking – given by Anny Tinsley and David Barrington, Parkeon</p> <p>Presentation on their new product which can assist the control of off-street parking.</p> <p>The system uses ANPR to register a vehicle in and out of a car park and automatically charges for the length of stay, accepting various payment methods.</p> <p>Parkeon offered to arrange visits with the equipment should any Member so wish.</p> | |
| 3. | <p>Open Forum</p> <p>No items raised</p> | |
| 4. | <p>Case Study: Utilising IT in parking services – given by Zakki Ghauri, London borough of Croydon</p> <p>Explained the Borough of Croydon’s use of IT within parking services</p> <p><i>A copy of the presentation is available as Appendix 2, and on the BPA website.</i></p> | |
| 5. | <p>Presentation: How bailiffs are working with the 3rd sector – given by Alan Wood, Whyte and Co.</p> <p><i>A copy of the presentation is available as Appendix 3, and on the BPA website.</i></p> <p>Questions raised:</p> <p>Q: How will the use of CCTV next year have an effect?</p> <p>A: The debtor must be notified that recording is taking place. A strict script is to be followed and the recording will be encrypted. The use of CCTV will protect both parties and will give bailiffs protection from false allegations. A 4 month trial is to be run.</p> <p>Q: What does the camera look like?</p> <p>A: Alan gave a brief description and said he will bring a camera to the next meeting. If anyone is interested in seeing the camera working please make contact with Alan directly.</p> | |

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| | <p>AOB</p> <p>A query was raised with regard to Blue Badge reform and possible access to a national database.</p> <p>Austen Hunter offered to circulate the minutes from the DfT Blue Badge Workshop which took place on 13 June 2011</p> <p><i>DfT Presentation – Blue Badge Workshop attached as Appendix 4</i></p> <p>A short discussion took place over some of the proposed reforms including Northgate’s National Database, holograms and increased costs.</p> | |
| 15. | <p>Next meeting</p> <p>13th October 2011 at Dartford Borough Council</p> | |