



**Notes from the Wales Group Regional Meeting
Held on 30 November 2016 at The Guildhall Wrexham, LL11 1BA**



Item	Notes	Action Points
1.	<p>Apologies Richard Allen from Bemrose Booth</p>	
2.	<p>Welcome and notes from previous meeting Peter Lowe welcomed all to the Wales Group Regional Meeting and advised on housekeeping arrangements.</p> <p>Sincere thanks were expressed to the BPA for today's meeting and for making the necessary meeting/catering arrangements in hand with Jo from Wrexham.</p> <p>Previous meeting notes were discussed. No comments/issues were raised. Action points from the last meeting will be picked up in the main agenda</p>	
3.	<p>Presentation from Laura Ellis Williams – Marie Curie LEW gave an overview of the work that Marie Curie complete and the support given to the terminally ill individuals and their families. In Wales the organisation supports over 50,000 people. The organisation is part funded by the NHS however still need to fundraise to continue this very valuable work. The symbol for Marie Curie is the Daffodil and Peter Lowe is prepared to wear a 'daffodil outfit' at the next Wales Group meeting on March 16th to raise funds for this charity</p>	All to support PL fundraising activity where possible
4.	<p>Presentation from Patrick Troy – BPA and Peter Lowe - Chair</p> <p>PT/PL shared that there has been significant work behind the scenes with the Welsh Government. Up to this point there has not been a senior person leading on this work however we now have Sheena Hague (deputy director) who is now responsible to engage with the Wales Group/BPA. Number of issues emerged – common themes with Central Govt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TRO process – looking at ways to make more streamlined • Blue Badge scheme – various aspects emerging • Traffic Enforcement Centre – some progress on registering moving 	

	<p>traffic offences with MOJ</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private Land – ongoing work Brexit having an impact on legislative programme • ANPR – some interest in developing this work <p>Will continue to engage with the Welsh Government to encourage their attendance. Even if they do it via phone/videolink</p>	
5.	<p>Presentation from Patrick Troy – BPA</p> <p>PT thanked the group for having him at meeting. PT gave an overview of current/recent BPA developments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LASIG – looking into persistent evaders • PiPA (Professionalism in Parking Accreditation) – celebrates professionalism – creates nationally recognised role models. Healthcare PiPA proving successful. Looking to progress into Education. • Masterplans are changing to ‘Blueprints for Parking’ from 2017 – going to be 2 year plans to match Government general election timetables. • DVLA focus group – x2 meeting a year notes will be circulated • BPA (through SPA) going to be completing Disabled Parking Award assessments on behalf of DMUK in due course and a Safer Bus Station Award • PARKEEX – April 2017 in Birmingham alongside Traffex • New £5 - no issues and new £1 coin due in March 2017 • Brexit – maybe opportunities will be impacts – watch this space • Yammer – limited use needs more promotion to improve use • Consultations – BPA complete 2-3 a month various matters 	
6.	<p>Any Other Business (AOB)</p> <p><u>TPT Electronic Portal</u> Currently operating in Cardiff and about to go live in Swansea No clear indication for anyone else however seems to be some movement for February 2017</p> <p><u>Task and Finish Group - Blue Badge enforcement</u> Still significant issued with fraud and mis-use of Blue Badges. Welsh Govt want to progress this matter so will be looking to set up a task and finish group in early 2017 . Interested parties to get involved.</p> <p><u>Parking Bill</u> This is a private member bill currently being considered. Only in England at this point. Will update as this evolves.</p>	
9.	<p><u>Date of Next BPA Wales Group Regional Meeting:</u></p> <p>16 March 2017 venue to be National Museum Cardiff.</p>	