



## Notes of the BPA Midlands Group Meeting

Held on: 10<sup>th</sup> December 2014  
At: Council House, Lichfield Street, Walsall

| Item | Notes  |
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| 01.  | <p><b>Welcome, introductions, apologies and notes from previous meeting.</b></p> <p>Minutes agreed, apologies from Yvette Widdowfield, Mick Phoenix &amp; Keith Miller</p>   |
| 02.  | <p><b>BPA Updates</b></p> <p>Richard Hilton presented 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Video (Park Mark)<br/>Reminder about Parkex 2015 on 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> April</p>  |
| 03.  | <p><b>The Online Appeals Service</b></p> <p>Presentation by Iain Worrall of TPT. Click <a href="#">here</a> to view the presentation.</p>  |
| 04.  | <p><b>Accredited standards and charters for parking</b></p> <p>Richard Hilton presentation re: accredited standards and charters for parking including the future of approved operator scheme. Group discussions followed.</p>   |
| 05.  | <p><b>Feedback from breakout session</b></p> <p>Richard Hilton requested the spokesperson from each group emails him a copy of their groups results</p>  |
| 06.  | <p><b>Update on consultation findings of TSRGD</b></p> <p>Presentation from Simon Morgan, Buchanan Computing.<br/>Courses available on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February in London and Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March in Manchester.</p> <p>Benefits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fewer signs needed</li><li>• New TSRGD less easy for motorists to avoid paying tickets</li><li>• More flexibility</li></ul> <p>Concerns</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Less certainty over whether accredited signs will be enforceable</li><li>• Some authorities will be forced to go for minimum cost option</li><li>• Flexibility will mean inconsistency over different authority areas.</li></ul> |
| 07.  | <p><b>Secure street parking meters</b></p>   |

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|            | Richard Hilton explained a case where an authority published the most profitable parking meters and were then robbed. Group discussion on best practice followed, including information that should or should not be divulged when FOI's are requested.   |
| <b>08.</b> | <b>2015 Meetings</b><br><br><b>Dates</b> - TBC<br><b>Frequency</b> - agreed 2 per year<br><b>Locations</b> - help finding venues from any member would be appreciated<br><b>Content</b> - please let Richard Hilton or Anjna Patel know if you have any items you would like to add to the agenda.                      |
| <b>09.</b> | <b>AOB</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• New letter for the Midlands group is in development</li><li>• Next meeting dates will be published</li><li>• Glynnis Jeavons requested times of meeting are specified so time can be made for managers to meet before or after.</li></ul><br>Meeting close and lunch |