



Notes of the BPA Midlands Group Meeting

Held on: 10th December 2014
At: Council House, Lichfield Street, Walsall

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

	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.
08.	2015 Meetings Dates - TBC Frequency - agreed 2 per year Locations - help finding venues from any member would be appreciated Content - please let Richard Hilton or Anjna Patel know if you have any items you would like to add to the agenda.
09.	AOB <ul style="list-style-type: none">• New letter for the Midlands group is in development• Next meeting dates will be published• Glynnis Jeavons requested times of meeting are specified so time can be made for managers to meet before or after. Meeting close and lunch