



Local Independent Advisory Group (LIAG) Melton Mowbray

First quarter Melton Mowbray LIAG meeting was held at 1800 hours on Tuesday 27th of February 2024.

The meeting was opened by discussing retail crime, which has been a high priority for the local business in the Melton Town centre. Points were raised around confidence in policing in this area. This opinion was one of a national perception – overall in Melton they believed we were increasing confidence after a decline in confidence after a large issue in 2023 with ASB related shop theft.

The discussion then turned to social media and how we as the police engage with the public.

The outcomes of this were that we were getting it right with Melton Police Facebook posts. They really liked the 'interesting' post rather than the overly descriptive post of officers explaining their whole day. The attendees then raised the point that they don't see enough of this type of social media interaction from the rural beats as much, which is an area we identified to improve in. The consensus from the attendees was that they want quality not quantity in the posts being delivered.

Other areas of engagement which were discussed was the use of beat surgeries and how Police were implementing them. The consensus was to make these meaningful and utilise events already in place, to make sure we capture people and don't waste police time.

The meeting finalised with the next meeting being agreed for the 9th of April 2024.