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Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your invitation for me to join you at the Wendling Annual Parish Meeting on 20th May. Unfortunately, I am unable to attend on this occasion but would like to offer the below annual report from Police.

It has been a very difficult year for individuals, businesses and community groups alike and the effect of the pandemic and the associated restrictions have impacted on how we have policed our towns and villages.

Throughout 2020 your local Safer Neighbourhood Team Beat Managers have continued to respond to priority calls as well as conducting reassurance patrols, utilising the "4Es" approach to policing; seeking to engage, explain, educate and only as a very last resort enforce the restrictions in place at the time.

Despite not being able to conduct traditional, face to face meetings, your Beat Managers have continued to work in partnership with Dereham Town Council and Breckland District Council amongst other partner agencies. We have been conducting our Safer Neighbourhood Action Panel (SNAP) priority setting meetings online via Teams and our next SNAP meeting will be held on Wednesday 4th August at 7pm. We hope that this meeting will be a hybrid of face-to-face and online. For the link to join the meeting and more information please email the Beat Managers at SNTDereham@norfolk.police.uk. We really hope you can join us!

Your local Beat Managers have always enjoyed a very close working relationship with the community and we are very aware that the restrictions have meant that we have been unable to conduct face to face engagement. With the publication of the Government's "road map out of lockdown" and an easing of the restrictions, as long as the situation continues to improve, we look forward to resuming face to face meetings if we can but only if it is safe to do so. In the meantime, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to the Wendling Parish Council, local community and businesses for their understanding and support during what has been undoubtedly a very difficult year.

Very kind regards

Paula Gilluley, Breckland Community Engagement Officer

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