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COLLINGHAM BUSINESS CLUB UPDATE

Following two years enjoying the very kind hospitality of Collingham Football Club, the business club returned to its alma-mater, the refurbished Royal Oak pub for the first of its Autumn series of meetings. At a packed session, held in the function room on Wednesday, 18th September, members were joined by District Councillor Linda Dales who provided an update on new funding streams becoming available, and her roles within Newark & Sherwood District Council and other local organisations.

As a follow-up to discussions at the previous meeting, the entries for the road and apartment building naming competition for the Collingham Park retirement development were tabled for information; these are currently being considered in conjunction with the District Council and the competition winners will be notified as soon as possible. The suggestions provided for the commercial units element of the Collingham Brook development were also discussed, with a day-nursery, tea-shop, fitness gym and shared business space being amongst the facilities high on the community's wish-list.

In general discussions, a number of other issues of interest to local business-people were also considered, perhaps the most noteworthy being the poor local secondary school arrangements. Apparently, for example, the young people of Besthorpes are bussed daily to 13 different schools, many of them out of the county. Those present were anxious to address this situation, to which there is no obvious solution.

Collingham Business Club meetings are free to attend, and usually take place on the second Wednesday of every month (this month being an exception), apart from August & December. The next meeting will therefore be at 6:00pm on **Wednesday**, **9**th **October 2019**. Following the Football Club's splendid hospitality, for which local business-people have been extremely grateful, the Royal Oak has now kindly offered its facilities for future meetings.

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