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Councillor Sarah Cox
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Our Ref:
Direct Line:
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Date: 26 March 2024

Dear Councillor Cox,

Retail Crime in Melton Mowbray

At the Council meeting on 14 December 2023, Members discussed the issue of retail crime in Melton Mowbray.

The Council applauded the huge contribution that retail and supermarket workers had made in recent years in helping our local community, particularly during the pandemic and thanked them for their hard work and dedication.

Council agreed that everyone should have the right to work in safety and free from violence and abuse especially when bravely tackling shop thefts or criminal damage to property. Especially in the run up to Christmas.

It is alarming to hear directly from employees in the Melton area of such abuses being faced recently and this is not just a local issue but across the country as reported by supermarket CEOs.

The Council condemns any abuse suffered by our retail workers and calls on all partners to ensure that retail and supermarket workers can have confidence that their reports of such behaviour are acted on swiftly and appropriately.



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We are writing to you to formally request a report from the Melton Safer Community Partnership outlining what you intend to do about retail crime in the area and we ask that this report is presented to Council at the meeting scheduled for 25 July 2024.

Yours sincerely

Councillor Pip Allnatt
Leader of Melton Borough Council

Councillor Margaret Glancy
Deputy Leader of Melton Borough Council