

**Batten Peter (ShEx)**

**From:** Lamb MPST  
**Sent:** 14 February 2012 16:23  
**To:** Batten Peter (ShEx)  
**Cc:** Gibson Will (ShEx); Wake Katie  
**Subject:** FW: Ex Sub postmasters meeting  
Peter,

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address for  
Mr Withers to  
set his contact  
to disclosure*

Assume a decline - we had various conversations with ED about justice for sub postmasters. Could you please send a para of background on them as well so we can explain to NL why he should decline?

Thanks  
Sarah

**GRO** | Private Secretary to Norman Lamb MP, Minister for Employment Relations, Consumer and Postal Affairs | Department for Business, Innovation and Skills | T: **GRO** | M: **GRO**  
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**From:** James Withers [mailto:**GRO**]  
**Sent:** 14 February 2012 15:21  
**To:** Lamb MPST  
**Subject:** Ex Sub postmasters meeting

**Name**

James Withers

**Address****Email**

**GRO**

**Subject**

Ex Sub postmasters meeting

**Message**

Dear Mr Lamb,

Congratulations on becoming the minister for postal affairs. As such, I was wondering if you are attending the meeting in Portcullis house on the 27th of February chaired by the Rt Hon James Arbuthnot MP

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regarding the 100+ ex postmasters who were accused of defrauding the Post Office and who are fighting to clear their names due to the Horizon system used by the Post Office which caused the discrepancies. This includes myself.

I ran the Cromer branch between 2006 and 2008 before I was accused and promptly shut down. This, I suspect, was due to the fact that the Post Office wanted the office to be moved. I will not go in to too much detail as it would take too long, but I personally would appreciate you attending as I was one of your constituents and did actually vote for you and have always voted Liberal. You may also get an insight into what we are trying to achieve and all the obstacles that are preventing us from getting a fair hearing.

Thank you for your time  
Regards  
Jim Withers

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