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Suleman Nagdi
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Dear Suleman,

As Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire, I am very familiar with the great work that the St Philip's Centre do for community relations in this wonderfully multicultural county. Indeed, I have funded projects that they've undertaken to help young people in our diverse faith communities to feel a greater sense of connection and belonging.

With this in mind, the 'Come Dine Together' scheme that the Centre has been running is completely in keeping with their aims of bringing communities together, and the inclusion of families and young children means that connections can be made across generations as well as religions. Having taken part in something similar last year where myself and members of Leicestershire Police each were invited for dinner by families of various faith communities, I can vouch for unique way in which new relationships can be forged through a meal shared in someone's home.

I applaud the initiative being taken with 'Come Dine Together' and wholeheartedly support the work that the St Philip's Centre are doing overall. Long may it continue.

Yours truly,

Willy Bach

Lord Willy Bach
Police & Crime Commissioner

