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Statement in response to correspondence regarding the Boxing Day Hunt meet

The following is a statement from Castle Cary Town Council in response to emails relating to the Boxing Day Hunt meet:

Castle Cary Town Council acknowledges the strength of feelings associated with the Boxing Day Hunt meet. The Town Council has no power to influence the Boxing Day Hunt meet on the public highway and will remain strictly impartial on this issue.

Whilst the Town Council will not respond to inflammatory accusations, it is important to make it clear that the Town Council, as a corporate body, in no way supports or opposes the Boxing Day Hunt meet. No Councillor is a member of the hunt. Town Councillors are unpaid representatives, elected to serve the Parish of Castle Cary and, while the Town Council understands that those who are against hunting are trying to put pressure on Town Councillors, it is the case that no individual Town Councillor can change the unanimous decision reached on 9th December to make no comment on the issue of the Boxing Day Hunt meet.

Efforts to influence the Boxing Day Hunt meet would be better directed towards those bodies that do have powers, such as the Police, politicians and lawmakers. Any alleged illegal activity will be dealt with by the Police.

The Town Council will not be responding individually to any emails regarding the Boxing Day Hunt meet.

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