To the Chairman and Clerk of the Parish Council

I am writing on behalf of the team who are investigating the possibility of resurrecting ROUNDABOUT magazine which has been greatly missed since its demise at the end of last year.

A group of us, some of whom have management, publishing and design skills, plus many of the stalwarts who have supported and assisted with the editorial content and the distribution of ROUNDABOUT for many years, have come together to look into the possibility of producing the monthly magazine with the following changes:

The new magazine will be community rather than church based although it will still provide information about church services and church activities in each village.

- Our current thinking is that it will be delivered free to every household in participating villages.
- It will provide information on local events, activities and clubs.
- It will carry advertising for local businesses as before at similar rates.
- There will be extra features such as letters to the editor, a puzzle page and a children's page.
- We also hope to include regular features on nature, farming, local interest and history, cookery, and reviews of books featuring our county of Suffolk.
- It will provide contact information and whatever information the PCs and PCCs are happy to provide.
- The magazine will also be available online.

We hope that the magazine will evolve to reflect, inform and entertain the community it serves.

We envisage that we would be able to continue to make annual donations to every village. The donation to be used as each village feels most appropriate.

The main purpose of this letter is to ask if the council would like to support and participate in ROUNDABOUT, and also if you would consider an initial sponsorship amount of  $\pounds 150$  in order that the magazine can start up again from scratch. The loss of subscription income and the much higher print run in order to deliver free to all will obviously affect the budget hugely and there is a nil balance in our bank account!

Should you wish to join in with ROUNDABOUT (and we write with fingers crossed) it would be a great help if you could respond to the sender of this message (<u>caroline.burt@btconnect.com</u>) and if you could also supply us with the number of households in your particular village.

We would be so delighted to have your support. If all councils are willing to contribute to our start-up costs ROUNDABOUT will hopefully be back in circulation by April 2019.

Yours sincerely Caroline Burt